



BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Spring Term Newsletter 8th January 2016

Happy New Year!

Breakfast Club - If you wish to make a booking please contact Lindees on 01727 848355

Class	Feeling Proud
Heath am/Flex B	Rufus
Heath pm/Flex A	
Heartwood	Jojo
Clarence	Kuba
Verulam	Charlotte G
Churchill	Jessica
Spencer	Libby
Mitchell	Ella
Ryder	Oliver
Alban	Cara
Morpurgo	Joe



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Oliver L, Anna C, Charlie I, James K, Rowan,
Charlotte W, Aoife, Sam F, Jane, Evan O,
Izzie B, Cara D, Ava V, Connor W, Sam W,
Oscar T, Rufus, Mrs Dale, Mrs Freestone,
Mrs Khanum

Monday 11th January 7pm in the hall - Y1 Assessment Meeting

We are looking forward to sharing lots of information with all of our Y1 families on Monday evening. You will learn how we assess your children at school, what the statutory assessments in Y1 look like and find out about the expectations for your children by the end of the year. At 7:45pm you will then move into a classroom to learn lots more about phonics for your children, how you can best support them, where to go for resources and games to use at home and how to make sure you are doing it right.

Monday 11th January 7:45pm in the hall - Y2 Assessment Meeting

You will learn how we assess your children at school, what the statutory assessments in Y2 look like and find out about the changes that have been made. You will learn about the expectations for your children by the end of the year and how you can best support them at home.

Monday's meetings are really important for all of our Y1 and 2 families, we look forward to seeing you there.

Parents involved in policy!

Home Learning promotes much discussion, it is an important part of school and supports/reinforces learning at school. Some parents said there was too much/too little home learning in the summer term questionnaire and we are keen to take the views of parents on board during our review. We are looking for 6 parents (2 from each year group excluding Nursery) to come and be involved in our review of the Home Learning policy. If you can spare 45 minutes after school on Thursday 14th January please pop in/call the office and let them know. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

PTA News

Happy new year. We hope you have all had a lovely and restful Christmas. Just a quick reminder that the next PTA meeting will be held next Wednesday (13th January) at 8:15pm at the infant school. We will be reviewing the Christmas fair and planning events for the term ahead. Please come along if you can, with lots of ideas!

Have a good week,
Rachel and Anne

Our email address is bernardsheathinfant.pta@hotmail.com

School applications for reception places and Junior School places close on 15th January 2016. Please contact the School office if you need any assistance with your on-line application.

Contact us: governors@bernardsheath.herts.sch.uk admin@bernardsheath.herts.sch.uk

NEW PTA FUNDRAISER - <http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk>

After School Clubs

Please remember that After School Clubs start next week except Young Film Makers Club which starts on 19th January.

Happy birthday to us!

This year we will be celebrating our 110th birthday! We are beginning to gather ideas about how we can mark this very special birthday and would welcome your thoughts. Please talk to Mrs Pengelly or Mrs Rimmer if you have any brilliant ideas.

Musical Talent

Do you or someone you know have a passion for music? If so we would like to talk to you about coming to school to spread some musical awe and wonder!

The PTA raised £10,000 for a musician to up skill our teachers and inspire our children. As of yet we have not appointed this person. We have advertised twice (the most recent advert attracting 60 views without anyone applying).

In the summer term we got as far as offering someone a job before they changed their mind and decided to continue in their music therapy role. At our school we believe that music and singing is an important part of the curriculum and are keen to find the right person to help us build on the music teaching we already do. If you would like to find out more please talk to Mrs Rimmer.

Communication

Our contracts for texting parents and how you pay for clubs and visits (Wisepay) is coming up for renewal. To ensure we get the best value for money we have been looking at the options available to us. School Comms is a company used by lots of schools for communication and for managing payments. We would like 5 parents to come and hear a bit more about it and talk with myself and governors about how this might be a useful tool for us. Please email/call/pop in to the office if you would like to be involved. It will be on Thursday 21st January at 9.00 - 9.30am.

SNOW

In the event of snow you will receive a text to let you know if the school is closed. Our local radio station 3 Counties will also update you on school closures.



REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon 11 Jan	7.00pm	Y1 Assessment Meeting
Mon 11 Jan	7.45pm	Y2 Assessment Meeting
Mon 18 Jan	6.00-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation evening for FS1 and FS2
Tue 26 Jan	9.30am	FS1 tour for prospective parents for September
Wed 27 Jan	6.00-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation evening for FS1 and FS2
Tue 2 Feb	9.00am	Churchill Class Assembly
Wed 3 Feb	9.00am	Spencer Class Assembly
Thur 4 Feb	9.00am	Mitchell Class Assembly
Mon 8 Feb		Start of Maths Theme week
Tue 9 Feb	9.30am	FS1 Tour for prospective parents for September
Tues 9 Feb	6.00-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation Evening for KS1
Wed 10 Feb	6.00-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation Evening for KS1
Thur 11 Feb	9.00am	Maths Meeting for parents

Half Term—Monday 15th—Fri 19th February

Now that the colder weather is approaching, please remember to bring in hats, scarves and gloves and ensure that they are named!

