



# BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter

16th September 2016



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

## Happy Birthday Leighton, Hafsa, Miss Flanagan



Class	Feeling Proud
Churchill	Alfie
Spencer	Finn
Mitchell	Emmie
Ryder	Connor
Alban	Arif
Morpurgo	Ava

### Transition

This week 15 children from each of our new classes have stayed for lunch. They have settled into the new routines quickly and seem to be enjoying their lunches. Our Early Years staff have worked hard to explain and support the children in their classes to learn the new routine. In assembly on Monday lots of Year 1 and 2 children had good ideas about how they could help the new children and have been helping to stack trays, get cutlery and show the children to the playground. We are very proud of the new children and the Year 1 and 2s who have been so kind and helpful.

### Have you met the Learning Heroes?

Dog, Duck, Monkey and Bear are our school Learning Heroes. We use these characters to discuss our learning and think about what we have done well and how we can improve. Each Learning Hero has a set of behaviours that make them an excellent role model for our children.

- Dog—excellent at managing distractions, concentrates and tries hard.
- Duck—Never gives up! Persists with tricky tasks and says 'I can't do it yet.'
- Monkey—Shows endless enthusiasm for new learning, asks questions to find out more.
- Bear—Listens to others ideas with respect. Bear explains clearly and is helpful and caring.

Read Our philosophy for learning to find out more



### The PTA

A massive thank you to everyone who has supported any of the PTA events over the last year.

The school was presented with a cheque at the AGM on Wednesday night for £12,000 which is a phenomenal amount of money.

The PTA have provided opportunities and equipment that children have enjoyed and has raised money for the school.

Over the past year we have used the money to provide exciting Christmas surprises, Easter surprises, a lawnmower, plants and shrubs for the Wild Garden, music tuition for the whole school, and a 110th birthday coin for every child.

With school budgets getting tighter the work of the PTA becomes even more important. We are working on a 3 year plan to update wireless and the server and to review the hardware currently used across the school. PTA fundraising will be key in us realising our target.

### Parking

We appreciate that parking can be tricky around school but ask that you always ensure you park safely and considerately at the beginning and end of the school day. It is not safe to turn at the end of Upper Culver Road and PCSO Russo is patrolling and will issue tickets for parking violations. Remember not to block our neighbours drives and to avoid parking over dropped kerbs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Challenge Sport & Education

Come and join the hundreds of children who make most out of the school holidays by staying active, sporty and social. Every day children partake in at least three different sports such as football, gymnastics, cricket, dodgeball, rounders, handball and many more. As well as playing lots of different sports, the children take part in a variety of group games and challenges. All of our coaches are DBS checked, hold first aid and child protection certificates and work in primary schools during term time. Our October Courses at Wheatfields Infant School run from 24th October - 27th October and our Christmas Courses run on December 22nd & December 23rd. You can book for individual days or for the full week.

Please book by going to [www.challengesporteducation.co.uk](http://www.challengesporteducation.co.uk) or by calling us on 0844 693 2220

Our timings and pricings are as below:

9am – 1pm (4 yrs) = £15  
 9am – 3pm (5-11 yrs) = £17  
 9am – 5pm (5 – 11 yrs) = £20



## Phonics Workshops for FS2 and Year 1

We are continuing with the success of last year and are running a 4 week course of Phonics Workshops for parents in FS2 (Reception). Our aim is to teach parents a range of skills ready to support reading and writing, for parents to learn the most up-to-date information and find out where to go for more advice and support as the year progresses. We are asking parents to sign up through the office and commit to these 4 sessions. Throughout the 4 weeks we will be asking for feedback and tailoring the sessions to suit your needs. You are welcome to bring along toys/snacks to entertain little ones!

Dates for your diary are:

Monday 10th Oct -9-10am      Monday 7th Nov-9-10am  
 Monday 17th Oct-9-10am      Monday 14th Nov-9-10am

We will also be writing a course for Y1 parents for after half-term. We have planned 2 dates initially and will release two more dates in January after reviewing feedback from the first two.

Monday 21st Nov 9-10am      Monday 5th Dec-9-10am



The autumn will soon be here...

Please can you provide us with a box of tissues to catch the germs in your child's class?

Many Thanks



## PTA Newsletter

Please remember to read the PTA newsletter to find out about all of the exciting events that are taking place.

## REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tue 20th Sept	PM	PTA Boden Fashion Show
Wed 21st Sept	All day	Year 2 Castle themed dressing up day
Thur 22nd Sept	7.30pm—9pm	Foundation Stage Teaching & Learning Meeting
Fri 23rd Sept		Jeans for Genes—Bring £1 and wear your jeans to school.
Wed 28th Sept	6pm—8.30pm	FS2 (Reception) Meet the Teacher evening
Fri 30th Sept	2.30pm	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon—please donate cakes or biscuits
Mon 3rd Oct	9am-9.30am	Parent Volunteer Meeting—All welcome
Tue 4th Oct	6pm—8.30pm	FS2 (Reception) Meet the Teacher evening
Wed 5th Oct		Individual School Photos
Tue 11th Oct	9am	KS1 Harvest Festival—Year 1 parents are invited to attend.
Tue 11th Oct	9.30am	Year 1 Reading Meeting
Wed 12th Oct	6pm—8.30pm	FS1 (Nursery)& KS1 (Year 1 & Year 2) Meet the Teacher evening
Thur 13th Oct	9am	Foundation Stage (Reception) Harvest Festival
Fri 14th Oct	3.15pm	Wild Garden Opening
Mon 17 Oct		Start of Science week
Mon 17th Oct	2.30pm	Ryder Class Assembly (allow 30 mins)
Mon 17th Oct	6pm—8.30pm	FS1 (Nursery) & KS1 (Year 1 & Year 2) Meet the Teacher evening