



# BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Autumn Term Newsletter

14th October 2016



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



## Happy Birthday

Isabella R, Matthew P, Olivia S, Annabelle S, Miss Hart



Class	Feeling Proud
Heath am/Flex B	Juliette
Heath pm/Flex A	Erica
Heartwood	Jack
Clarence	Gideon
Verulam	Alex
Churchill	George
Spencer	Harry
Mitchell	Zac
Ryder	Laurence
Alban	Ella
Morpurgo	Molly

### Mountfitchet Castle Visit

Cannonballs and Crenellations has been an exciting first theme for Year 2. We have been exploring life in the past where a visit **to Mountfitchet Castle on Monday really brought this to life...** Racing up the guard towers to look for enemy attackers, sitting on the old fashioned toilet and visiting the lord in his hall. Children were keen to try on armour and helmets and immerse themselves in the history of the castle.

**Arijit in Alban class said 'There was lots of fun things! I liked stroking the deer and finding out about the blacksmith.'**

**George in Morpurgo class said 'I loved getting trapped in the stocks!'**

**Jacob in Ryder class said 'I loved finding out about the blacksmith and the weapons he made.'**

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

**A huge thank you to everyone who joined our coffee morning. Together we raised £246.90 for a really important cause.**

### Reading Meetings

**Over the next week, in your Y1 and Y2 child's reading wallet you will find a copy of the Reading Meeting notes and a [yellow booklet](#) to support questioning and comprehension when reading with your child.**

FS2 you will receive this information after your Reading Meeting on Tuesday 18th October, 2:30pm in the hall. Remember to visit [Oxford Owl](#) for lots of hints and tips as well as free, online eBooks.

### In the News...

You have probably seen a lot of coverage in the news over the last few weeks all about clowns. Some of our children (particularly those with older siblings) have shared their worries about what they have seen or heard.

The concerns for them seem to be that 'scary clowns' are going to knock on their door during Halloween or that these clowns have been spotted in St Albans. We have been making sure children feel reassured that adults are here to keep them safe, that adults will be the **only** people opening their front door (or choosing not to open the door at all) especially during Halloween and that the police are making sure everyone is safe.

Particularly in Year 2 conversations are being had about 'pranks' and when something starts off as a joke but people no longer find it funny as well as discussing 'rumours'.

If you feel it is appropriate and would like to find out a bit more about how to support children with this conversation you could visit <http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/37616622> or subscribe to <http://www.firstnews.co.uk/> who are running child friendly articles on this topic. We continue to praise the children for sharing their worries.

## Second hand uniform

Please bring in any donations of uniform that are in good condition for the second hand uniform sale. The PTA are particularly in need of jumpers, cardigans and culottes.

### Science Week

Next week is Science Week and our focus is Wonderful, Wild Water! On Thursday the whole school can dress in blue and bring £1 to donate to Water Aid. FS2 remember named spare trousers on Tuesday!

### Harvest Festival

We have enjoyed two wonderful harvest assemblies this week and received an overwhelming amount of food and toiletries to be donated. As you may have heard all of these donations will be heading to St Albans District Food Bank; a very worthy cause which we are proud to support. All the children sang their harvest songs beautifully, having put lots of time and effort into practising. The children listened carefully to both our visitors. Jenny McKnight came from St Pauls Church and John Mullholland from the food bank. Once again a huge thank you for your donations, to the adults who supported the children in their performance and to our visitors who kindly gave their time to be with us.



### Attendance Policy Link

If you are new to our school and have not yet read our attendance policy please follow this [link](#).

Please make sure you have returned all menu choices to the office as soon as possible.

### School Photos

**Your child's school photos have gone home this week. Please return your order forms by Friday 21st October.**



### 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
Mon 17th 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
Tue 18th Oct	9am	Morpurgo Class Assembly
Tue 18th Oct	2.30pm	FS2 (Reception) Reading Meeting for Parents
Wed 19th Oct	9am	Alban Class Assembly
Thur 20th Oct	2.50pm	Cake Sale
Mon 31st Oct		Teacher Training Day—School closed
HALF TERM MONDAY 24—FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER		
Wed 2nd Nov	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sept 2017
Thur 10th Nov	3.15pm	Global Families Event
Sat 12th Nov	9.00am	Bring your grown -ups to school
Tues 15th Nov	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sep 2017
Fri 18th Nov		Children in Need Fund Raising Day
Fri 25th Nov	5.00- 6.30pm	Film Night
Mon 28th Nov	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sep 2017
Thur 1st Dec	9.30am	FS2 Tour for prospective parents for Sep 2017