

BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL

Spring Term Newsletter

23rd March 2018



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Happy Birthday



Ella, Ava T, Usmaan, Noah, Phoebe A, Chloe, Mrs Atchama



Grandparents Afternoon

For the first time ever we hosted a Grandparents afternoon on Wednesday. We are very pleased to say it was extremely successful! The children interacted so positively and respectfully with our visitors. The opportunity sparked the children's interest and they were keen to ask questions like "Where did you live when you were little?" "What was school like when you were younger?"

One of our visitors commented:

"Thank you for organising Grandparents

Afternoon. It was a brilliant idea and we both really enjoyed it. It made us feel valued and part of our grandchild's schooling."

The children's best bits were:

William (Spencer) "I loved playing football with my grandad."

Evie (Spencer) "The best bit was when I went in the role play area with granny."

Chloe (Mitchell) "I loved playing outside with nanny and grandad."

Ava (Heartwood) "I liked painting with granny."

After such a wonderful time we are looking forward to repeating this event in the future.

Mitchell Class Assembly

Today we enjoyed being entertained by Mitchell Class. Some of their favourite moments from their class assembly were:

Aria: "I liked talking about our maths."

Otis: "I really enjoyed singing our space song and holding mars."

Harriet: "I enjoyed introducing our assembly."

Charlie: "I liked talking about pen pals in our assembly."

Joint Annual Review Visit (JARV)

This week we received our JARV report following on from the visit we had last week with Anne Peck (our Hertfordshire Improvement Partner). Anne's role is to quality assure the judgements we make about school against the Ofsted Criteria.

Her report contained the following comments we are proud to share with you:

"The quality of teaching and learning in English and maths in Key Stage 1 is an outstanding feature of the school."

"Leaders have a deep and accurate view of the strengths and areas for development of their school. This has led to robust self-assessment and rigorous action planning for whole school improvements."

"Practice in Year 1 is a real strength of the school; where it is best, innovative use of child initiated play (CIP) is used highly effectively to meet the needs of all pupils."

"In the Foundation Stage high quality interactions are a strength; adults communicating with pupils were interacting purposefully with an activity, developing knowledge, skills and understanding."

"This is a good school with many outstanding features."

Farewell to Mr Gunn

We have all enjoyed learning alongside Mr Gunn since September and this week we learned he is going to have a change of career and start his training with the police. We wish him all the very best and want to say a big THANK YOU for all his hard work with us. Miss Humberstone will be taking over and will be working closely with Mr Gunn and Mr Denyer for an effective handover.

After School Club - If you wish to make a booking please contact Lindees 01727 848355

After School Clubs

There are spaces available on:
 FS2 Football (Monday)
 Y2 Ukulele (Wednesday)
 Y2 Arts and Crafts (Thursday)

Please let the office know if you are interested.



Lambing Weekends Watergate Farm

With around 2000 sheep to give birth, this is a EWEnique chance to see lambs actually being born.

[Click here](#) for more details



We have a couple of free admission tickets. Let the office know if you would like one.

Breakfast Club News

Where has the time gone? Breakfast Club are about to finish their second term. To celebrate the children will have a pancake and waffle bar all of next week. Fresh fruit, honey, waffles and pancakes with self service (and a little help from the adults)! Miss Flanagan, Miss Sinnott, Mrs Player and the rest of Breakfast Club wish you all a Happy Easter.



Our Community Enrichment Day

A BIG thank you to our visitors - Vicky from Shelter who talked to Y2 about homelessness, Jan from UpOnDowns who taught FS2 about Down Syndrome and Mark from Age UK who taught Y1 about how they support our elderly community.

We'll update you next week with the totals raised for each charity from our class Market Stalls.

Letters/Emails Sent Home

FS1 and Y1 Reports
 After School Club Confirmations



REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tue 27 Mar	9.00am	FS Spring Festival One family member per FS1 and FS2 child
Tue 27 Mar	2.15pm	KS1 Spring Festival One family member per Y2 child
Wed 28 Mar	2.45pm	Afternoon and All Day A Heath Class Spring Festival. One family per FS1 child
Wed 28 Mar	6-8.30pm	FS2 Parent Teacher Consultations
Thu 29th Mar	1.20pm	End of Term
Easter Holiday Fri 30th Mar—Fri 13th Apr		
Mon 16 Apr		Teacher Training Day
Tue 17 Apr	8.50am	Children back to School
Tue 24 Apr	9.00am	Parent Volunteer Meeting
Fri 27th Apr	9.00am	Morpurgo Class Assembly
Fri 27th Apr	2.30pm	Phonics Screening Meeting for Y1 Parents
Fri 4 May	9.00am	Heartwood Class Assembly
Mon 7th May		Bank Holiday—School Closed
Fri 11th May	9.00am	Clarence Class Assembly
Fri 18th May	9.00am	Verulam Class Assembly
Fri 25th May		Teacher Training Day