

# BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL



Autumn Term Newsletter

Friday 8th September

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## Happy Birthday



Sean, Sonny, Ahyan, Mrs Davies

### Welcome Back!

It was a pleasure to welcome you back to school on Wednesday morning and the number of smiling and excited children is testament to what a great place Bernards Heath is to learn and have fun. Our newest children are settling well and we thank you for working in partnership with us to make the transition to school a smooth one. I am proud of our Year 1 and Year 2 children who shared their ideas in assembly about how they will welcome the children from Verulam, Clarence and Heartwood Classes to the lunch hall next week. They have talked about helping them with their trays, offering them a seat at their table and explaining where to line up. Teachers and Teaching Assistants from Foundation Stage will be on hand to settle children in to the lunch routine next week and our MSAs are looking forward to getting to know all the new names!

### Breakfast Club

This week was the launch of our Bernards Heath Breakfast Club.

Here are a few comments from the children:

“The service is great, you get your food really quickly” Harriet (Mitchell)

“I like the food it is really nice” Amy (Churchill)

Sebastian (Churchill) “likes the toys” and Benjamin (Spencer) “likes the food”

It is not only the children who are having fun, the staff are enjoying it just as much. It is like a “breakfast party”



### Reading Meetings

These meetings will show you how to support your child while they learn to read and how to have the biggest impact once they have mastered this life skill.

Y1 and Y2: 26/9/17 7pm

FS1 and FS2: 5/10/17 at 9am or 10/10/17 at 9am (repeated session)

### Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

In addition to funding we receive from Hertfordshire County Council, we can also claim a £1,300 grant called Pupil Premium for children whose parents or carers receive certain benefits.

In order for us to identify any children eligible for FSM/Pupil Premium in advance of our Autumn School Census you are encouraged to register online (link below). It is quick and easy and will update our records.

[Register here](#)

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

## School Handbook

After a busy summer you may need a refresher about life at school...

Please follow the links below to take a look at our school handbooks.

[A practical guide to day-to-day life at Bernards Heath](#)  
[Our philosophy for learning](#)

## After School Clubs—Y1 & Y2

After School Clubs start on Monday 18th September for Year 1 and Year 2. Please make sure you have paid via the school gateway or by cheque or cash.

There are spaces available on: Tennis (Mon), Golf and Book Busters (Tues), Basketball (Wed), Morning Football and Badminton (Thurs). Please let the office know if you are interested.



## Parent Volunteer Meeting

Tuesday 19th September 9am

Would you like to support teaching and learning at school? You could join the 'army' of volunteers who help each week by listening to readers, tidying our library, cooking, washing fruit and helping with admin tasks in the office.

To be a parent volunteer you **must** attend this meeting so you can access important information about safeguarding and health and safety at school.

## Local Potters Guild (DCPG) Annual Exhibition

One of our parents is exhibiting their display including a Torso cast from a good friend (Bernards Heath Mum) who has recently had breast cancer. [Click here](#) for more information on naming the cast and raising funds for cancer research.

Where: **Kingsbury Barn** - Branch Road, AL3 4SE  
 When: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
 Times : **10am – 5pm** daily **Free entry**

## REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tue 19th Sep	9.00am	Parent Volunteer Meeting
Fri 22nd Sep		Jeans for Genes Day
Tue 26th Sep	7-8.30pm	KS1 Reading Meeting
Fri 29th Sep	2.30pm	PTA and MacMillan Coffee Afternoon
Fri 29th Sep		PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale
Tue 3rd Oct		Y2 Visit to Mountfitchet Castle
Wed 4th Oct		Individual School Photos
Thu 5th Oct	9.00am	Foundation Stage Teaching, Learning and Reading Meeting
Thu 5th Oct	6-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation Evening all classes
Tue 10th Oct	9.00am	Foundation Stage Teaching, Learning and Reading Meeting
Tue 10th Oct	6-8.30pm	Parent Teacher Consultation Evening all classes
Fri 13th Oct		Y2 Castle Themed Dressing up Day
Fri 13th Oct	3.10-4.10pm	Bring your grown-ups to school
Tue 17th Oct	9.00am	KS1 Harvest Festival Y1 Parents welcome
Thu 19th Oct	9.00am	FS Harvest Festival FS2 Parents welcome

Half Term:  
 Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Don't forget to put in your diary

Wear Jeans for Genes

Friday 22nd September (£1 donation)

The PTA and MacMillan Coffee Afternoon Friday 29th September.

