

# BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL



Spring Term Newsletter

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## Happy Birthday



Florence, Lily-Belle, Tommie, Aviroan, Alexi  
Mrs Player



### Ranger Paul



Some scaly, hairy and six legged friends came to school on Wednesday! It was of course the time of year we welcome Ranger Paul to school. Whilst every child in school saw and heard about the mini-beasts, Year 2 had the exciting opportunity to touch some of the jungle creatures and quiz Ranger Paul.

#### Morpurgo Class

Theo: "I liked feeling the rough anaconda skin."

Maxime: "I learnt that snakes are venomous and not poisonous."

Deena: "I enjoyed touching animals."

#### Ryder Class

Alfie: "It was actually really interesting when we watched a clip of a trapdoor spider because I have never seen them before."

Maya: "I really liked Dave and Gary the lizards. I liked Dave's big fat tail because he lives in the desert. I liked Gary because he can lick his eyes. He can't blink so to clean his eyes he licks them."

Neve and Joe: "It was amazing when Ranger Paul put the light on the scorpion and it made it glow blue. When he put the light over the beetle it was purple."

#### Alban Class

Jayden: "I enjoyed seeing a snake because I've never seen a snake for real."

Emmie: "I enjoyed touching animals that I have never seen before."

### Verulam Class Assembly

This morning we enjoyed being entertained by Verulam Class. Some of their favourite moments were:

**Dottie:** "I liked the bit when I said "Show me the number."

**Emily B:** "I liked it when Ismael did the Counting Game."

**Oscar:** "I liked the Penguin Song."

**Marius:** "I liked it when me, Jude and Joshua showed the animal and we made him feel better."

### Assessment Meetings

On Wednesday evening we hosted assessment meetings for both Y1 and Y2. These meetings outlined the different ways in which we assess the children; this may be through everyday class activities, discussion and feedback or more formal assessments. In the Year 2 meeting we went into detail about the expectations for the SATs assessments in May. In the Year 1 meeting we also touched on the expectations of the Phonic Screening in June.

If you were unable to attend this meeting you can find out more information on our website under "[Learning at Home](#)."

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

Congratulations to Mrs Donagher  
and her team

Environmental Health awarded our  
kitchen with a five star rating.



HfL Early Years on Twitter

[Click here](#) to see Herts for Learning's  
tweet about Bernards Heath Infant and  
Nursery School's Outdoor Kitchen.

### Reading at Home

We see the impact regular practice has on  
**a child's confidence and progress.** At  
school we listen to children read in guided  
reading and individually. We have parent  
helpers who provide additional time to  
practice and we run information sessions  
to help you support your child. Each  
reading record contains book band  
stickers with prompts to help parents and  
additional flashcards are provided as  
another way to develop skills. It is  
important that you are reading with your  
child at home. 5-10 mins a day will have a  
**big impact. You don't need to write lots in**  
the reading record, just the name of the  
book, date and sign. If you or your child  
are finding reading at home  
tricky, please talk to the class  
teacher.



### Letters/Emails Sent Home

Y1/Y2—Outdoor Learning

The unpleasant but perfectly ordinary side of  
school life—treating threadworm

Swimming 4 Everyone Leaflet



REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon 29th Jan	9.30am	FS1 Tour for Prospective Parents
Fri 2nd Feb	9.00am	Heath AM and All Day B Class Assembly
Mon 5th Feb	9.30am	FS1 Tour for Prospective Parents
Mon 5th Feb	2.45pm	Heath PM and All Day A Class Assembly
Fri 9th Feb	9.00am	Spencer Class Assembly

Half Term  
Mon 12th Feb—Fri 16th Feb

Wed 21st Feb	9.30am	FS1 Tour for Prospective Parents
Fri 2nd Mar	9.00am	Alban Class Assembly
Wed 14th Mar		Class Photographs
Fri 16th Mar	5-6.30pm	Film Night
Thu 22nd Mar	6-8.30pm	FS2 Parent Teacher Consultations
Fri 23rd Mar	9.00am	Mitchell Class Assembly
Fri 23rd Mar		Y1 and FS1 reports go home
Tue 27 Mar	9.00am	FS2 Spring Festival—one family member per child
Tue 27 Mar	2.15pm	KS1 Spring Festival—one family member per child
Wed 28 Mar	2.45pm	Heath Class Spring Festival
Wed 28 Mar	6-8.30pm	FS2 Parent Teacher Consultations

Easter Holiday  
Fri 30th Mar—Fri 13th Apr

Please [register here](#) for Everbridge  
Schools Closure Notification  
System (ESCNS) the system we use in  
the event of school being closed due to  
weather or a public emergency.

Our local radio station 3  
Counties will also update you on  
school closures.

