

BERNARDS HEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL



Autumn Term Newsletter Friday 27th November 2020

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Happy Birthday

Eliza, Annabel, Darcey, Alana, Ayla, Mrs Williams



Virtual Open Classrooms have now been sent home and hopefully you've had the chance to watch these alongside your children. They are a true celebration of how successfully staff are **working to ensure children's school experience remains happy and filled with learning.** This week the school is filled with Christmas music as every class learns to tell the Christian story of the very first Christmas day. Role-play areas are gradually being decorated with trees or **morphing into Santa's workshop** and Mr Desborough is getting ready to reveal our first ever outdoor Christmas tree. Prepare your advent calendars – the countdown has begun!

This year, once again, the school is collecting presents to pass on to the youngest members of our community. We are asking for gifts that will go to a child whose family may be struggling to make ends meet and therefore have difficulty finding the extra money for presents at Christmas. If you would like to participate please send a gift to school; there will be a collection box at Upper Culver Road, Heartwood gate and the gate by the office from Monday 7th December.

Please do not wrap the gift as families will be invited to the Vineyard Church to choose the gift that their child would like.

A volunteer from Vineyard Church St Albans will collect gifts on Monday 7th December and we will deliver the rest ourselves on Friday 11th December.



✦Christmas Raffle 2020!✦

Today you will find 2 booklets of raffle tickets in your child's book bag. We have some fantastic prizes to win from local businesses (see attached flyer) so please show your support and enter to be in with a chance of winning!!

There will be collection boxes in the playground after school on Friday 11th December and Monday 14th December – please write your child's name clearly on the stubs and pop them and the money in an envelope and drop them in the box! We do have extra tickets so if you would like more then please contact the PTA

bernardsheathinfant.pta@hotmail.com

The raffle draw will take place via virtual assembly during the Classroom Extravaganza on Wednesday 16th December.

Tickets - £1

Also a reminder that we are accepting jam jar donations all next week, place them in the boxes provided at Heartwood Gate Exit, Upper Culver Rd side gate and the Gate to the playground near the office.



Hertfordshire County Council is teaming up with the Family Food Trust, a government backed charity to help them deliver food vouchers to children and young people in receipt of Free School Meal during the winter school holidays

Breakfast Club—to book a place [click here](#)
Bernards Heath Childcare—to book a place [click here](#)

If you would like your child to have milk next term please make your payment of £16.20 via the school gateway.



If your child turns 5 on or after 27th March you are entitled to free milk. A separate milk order form has been emailed to those families.

The deadline for Christmas Film Night is Wednesday 2nd December. [Click here](#) to secure your place.



Applying for a Reception and Year 3 Place Deadline—January 15th 2021

Remember to [apply online](#) for your child's place for September 2021.



Breakfast Club and Bernards Heath Childcare are looking for a chess set and also to replenish their Lego collection. The current guidelines do not allow the sharing of these items between bubbles. If you are able to help please bring any donations to the school office, where they will be quarantined.

Thank you to all those who have donated toys and games to Breakfast Club and Bernards Heath Childcare.



Important Reminder

You **must not** send your child to school if somebody in your household is unwell and getting tested. Only when a negative result is returned, can the household resume ordinary activities.

If a positive test is received, the isolation period continues—[Click here](#) for more information from Herts County Council re: local isolation updates.

Letters/Emails Sent Home

Urgent Reminder on Covid-19 Testing and Isolation
Film Night
Jam Jar Jolly
Raffle Tickets



[Click here](#) to order your Christmas Tree from Treeasy. Remember the School receives commission from every sale.



REMEMBER, REMEMBER.....

Fri 27th Nov		PTA Christmas Hamper Raffle Tickets on sale
Mon 30th Nov to Fri 4th Dec		Jam Jar Jolly Donations
W/B Mon 7th Dec		Foundation Stage Christmas Performances (recording will be shared by the end of term)
Wed 9th Dec		School Christmas Lunch Day
Fri 11th Dec	3.15 - 4.45pm	Film Night
Mon 14th Dec		Nasal Spray Flu Immunisations
W/B Mon 14th Dec		Y1 and Y2 Christmas Performances (recording will be shared by the end of term)
W/B Mon 14th Dec		Santa Dash
Wed 16th Dec		Christmas Parties Christmas Jumper Day Fun Filled Classroom Extravaganza
Fri 18th Dec	See below	End of Term
Christmas Holiday Mon 21st Dec—Fri 1st Jan		
Mon 4th Jan		Staff Training Day School Closed
Tue 5th Jan		Children Back to School

Staggered timings for the last day of
term—Friday 18th December
FS2 and Year 2—1:10pm
Year 1—1:15pm FS1—1:20pm