



Monthly Newsletter 1: September

A message from the Executive Headteacher

Even though it's only 4 weeks into term, the summer holidays feel like a distant memory as there has been so much going on in school.

We've had a fantastic return to school and it's been pleasing to visit classrooms to see what the children have been learning. What a fantastic start to the year!

Please keep an eye on upcoming dates for future events.

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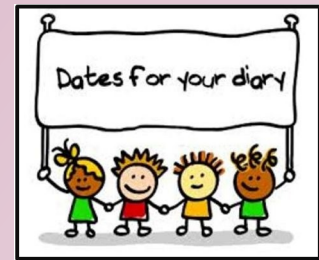
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New playground equipment

This week, Pentagon Play have completed most of our new playground equipment after months of planning, approving and waiting. This was one of my key promises from last year and is now in use! The children have enjoyed watching the installers at work and are now really enjoying using the new climbing frames, trim trail and playground markings. We would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA for part-funding this project.





OCTOBER:

Tuesday 4th : PTA Meeting Fox and Hounds 7.30pm

Thursday 6th: Year 6 Multi Sports Festival at Sharnbrook Academy

Thursday 6th: World Poetry Day

Monday 10th: Harvest Festival

KS2 am—Church

KS1 pm—School

Monday 17th: Year 6 Height and Weight Checks—School Nurse

Monday 17th: Parents Evening 3.30—6pm

Tuesday 18th: Year 4 Multi Sports at Sharnbrook Academy

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Wednesday 19th: Parents in School Day

Thursday 20th: PTA Disco

Rec—Y2 3.30—5.00pm

Y3—Y6 6.00—8.00pm

Friday 21st: Last Day of Half Term

Monday 31st: Staff Inset Day

NOVEMBER:

Tuesday 1st: Children return to school

Tuesday 1st: Flu immunisations Rec—Y6

Wednesday 2nd: September 2023 new starters Open Evening 6—8pm

Thursday 3rd: September 2023 new starters Open Morning 10—11.30am

Friday 4th: September 2023 new starters Open Morning 10—11.30am

Tuesday 8th: Reception vision screening—School Nurse

Wednesday 9th: Year 2 Multi Skills Festival at Lincroft Academy

Provisional Key Dates will be added once confirmed.

Harvest Festival

Monday 10th October



Y3—Y6 will be walking to Church for our KS2 Harvest celebration. Parents are very welcome to join us at the Church for our service at 9.45am.

Early Years to Year 2 Harvest celebration will be in the school hall, starting at 2.15pm. Parents are invited to join us.

Applying for a School Place— Reception 2023

Information sheets have been sent home to our Wren cohort parents with application instructions. Please note the deadline for applications—15 January 2023.

Applying for a Secondary School Place 2023

Information sheets have been sent home to Year 6 parents with application instructions. Please note the deadline for applications—31 October 2022

YEAR 5 BIKEABILITY

Congratulations to our 26 Year 5 students who were out on the roads this week for Bikeability, and all passed their level 2 award! The instructors told us every day how amazing all of the children were during their training!

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you receive ANY of the following:

Income Support

income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

income-related Employment and Support Allowance

support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

the guaranteed element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

The form is easy to complete:

<https://bedford-self.achieveservice.com/service/>

[Free School Meals](#)

Children in Reception to Y2 continue to receive Universal Infant Free School Meals, however if you are eligible under the criteria above please so apply as your child will receive Pupil Premium funding. This can be used to support your child to pay for trips, clubs etc.

PARENTS IN SCHOOL DAY—19th October

We are looking forward to welcoming parents in to our classrooms on 19th October.

There will be 3 scheduled times available:

9.30 - 10.30am

11.00 - midday

1.00 - 2.00pm

Please drop Mrs Sharp an email, dojo, or telephone to book a session. If you have more than 1 child in school and would prefer just a half hour in each class, please let her know. On the day come to main reception and at the start of the session your child will come to collect you and take you to their class.

Kids Club Bookings

School Money is now available for the second half of term to make your bookings for Breakfast and After School Club. Please remember that from 1st November After School Club will finish at 5.30pm.

Parent Governor Election

We posted an election letter on dojo on Wednesday this week. Please read this if you have not already done so. You may vote in person or request a ballot paper and envelope to be sent home. Votes can be placed until 3.15pm on Tuesday 11th November.

