

BEDFORD ROAD LOWER NEWSLETTER



July 2013

Dear Parents and Carers

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We are fast approaching the end of another academic year. Time flies, especially when you are having fun and busy learning.

Children from across the school have been out on school trips and the staff have all reported on the wonderful days out that they have had with their classes. Your children have been a credit to you and you should be very proud of them as indeed we are.

I also want to say a big thank you to all of you for supporting the school over the year with help in class and with school events. Your support is hugely appreciated.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Sports Day. The winning team will be announced in assembly next week, but of course all the children were winners in their own way for showing such great sporting qualities and for doing their best in all of their activities.

You should have received your child's annual report. This week assessment result reports will be coming home too. Teachers will also be holding an open afternoon for you to come into school to have a look at your children's work. This will be on Wednesday 10th July and you may come into your child's classroom between 4.00pm and 5.15pm. The staff look forward to seeing you then.

Summer Fayre

Thank you for supporting our school summer fayre. The PTFA and staff put on a great day for everyone and the school choir sang beautifully. We raised in total just under £900, so thanks again for your support.



Message from Early Bird:

Let's all make a really special effort to get to school on time for the last few days of term, you never know when I might pop in to school to see you arrive on time!

Staff News

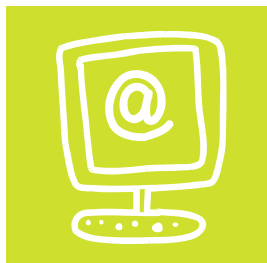
We are delighted to announce that we have appointed two new teachers; Mrs Brundle and Miss Turner who will be joining us in September. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Miss O'Brien this term, Miss O'Brien is off to travel the world! We wish her well on her travels and thank her for her hard work at Bedford Road.

Bedford Foodbank

The foodbank provides food for families in crisis. Should you require more information from the Bedford Foodbank you can speak in confidence to Mrs Holden or Mrs Monk .

Website

Our school website has had a facelift this year. Please do take a look if you get a chance. Our term dates often vary slightly from those posted on the Bedford Borough Website, so please look at the school website for confirmation of our dates.



www.bedfordroadlower.org.uk

Attendance

Well done to Palm Class who had the best attendance this term.

Late arrival to school is still causing us concern. There is occasionally a valid reason for being late, but regularly arriving late to school means that children miss vital parts of the lessons and this can also disrupt other children's learning. If you know that you have a tendency to be late, please do make that extra effort to get your children here on time.

Rag Bag Textile Bank

As you know, our rag bag textile bank has been removed from the school site. Thank you for your support over the time that the bank has been here. Our last ever clothing collection raised £50.



Sing On Concert

On Wednesday afternoon last week, 27 children from Year 3 boarded a coach to the Corn Exchange in Bedford to take part in this year's Sing On concert. The children from Bedford Road spent the afternoon rehearsing along with children from 5 other Lower and Primary Schools.

At 6.00pm our Year 3s took to the stage with over 150 other children to sing for us and wow did they entertain! I was so proud of them all and I know the parents in the audience felt the same. It was a truly special evening.

Well done to all the children who took part and to the teachers who helped them. Thank you also to the parents who accompanied us for the afternoon and assisted with supervision and to those who came to watch.

I'm looking forward to next year's Sing On already!

School Meals

The price of school meals will rise in September.

£2.10 per day
£10.50 per week

Please ensure money is sent to school in a clearly marked and sealed envelope.

Please remember that school dinner money is to be paid in advance of your child having a school meal.



As the weather is set to be hot for the next few days, please remember to send children to school prepared for the sunshine. Please remember the suncream, sunhats and shades!



Exciting News

During the summer holidays Miss Sainsbury will be getting married! We wish the happy couple all the very best for their special day and hope that the sun shines for them.

Miss Sainsbury will be keeping her name so from September she will be known as 'Mrs' Sainsbury.



Appointments in school time.

Please let the office and the class teachers know as soon as possible, if you have an appointment for your child and need to collect them during school hours. Thank you.

Contact Details

If you change your telephone numbers or address over the summer break, please let us know so that we can update our emergency contact details.



Dates for this term:

4th July	Annual Reports home to parents.
9th July	KS2 Production to parents –adults only, no small children, morning performance.
10th July	KS 2 Production to parents – small children welcome, afternoon performance.
10th July	4.00pm –5.30pm Open evening for parents.
11th July	In school transfer – children meeting next year's teacher – parents welcome to come into school at the end of the day to meet new teacher and see new classroom.
11th& 12th July	Year 4 Middle School Transfer Days Robert Bruce and Daubeney.
19th July 9.10am	Leavers' Service Kempston East Methodist Church – Year 4 parents welcome.
Wed 4th September	First day of the Autumn Term – Back to school time!

Our value for the month of July is courage.

