

Bedford Road Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

Newsletter July 2018

Brain Smart Day at the beginning of this week was a great success and my thanks go to all the staff and volunteers who helped to put on such a great range of activities.

Even though the end of term is approaching, we are all still very busy planning for the year ahead and for the improvements that we want to make in school. I will keep you updated on our post Ofsted progress as we start the new Autumn term.

The teachers have also been working hard writing annual reports for your children and these will be coming home during the week of the 9th July.

Everyone is busy organising classes for September. Our in school transfer afternoon will be on Tuesday 17th July and at this time, the children will find out who their new teacher will be and who will be in their class next year. There will be an opportunity for you to come and meet your child's new teacher straight after school on the 17th too. Your child should be able to show you to their new class so that you can introduce yourself to the teacher.

To find out about all of the other events that are coming up this term, do take a look at the important dates listed on the back of this newsletter.

Thank you for your support throughout the year and have a great summer everyone.

Mrs. Gould,
Headteacher

Fond farewells and lots of other exciting staff news.

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to Miss Impey, our Year 1 teaching assistant, to Mrs. Robinson, our Year 1 teacher, to Mrs. Clooney our lunch supervisor and also to Mr. Lawrence our Year 2 teacher.

We would like to thank them for their hard work in our school, we will miss them very much and we wish them all the very best for the future.

We have already welcomed some new staff to our team during this term. Mrs. Hubbard-Jones joined us this term and will be one of our Year 6 teachers in September. Mrs. Hubbard-Jones will also be joining our senior leadership team. Mrs. Norman has joined us as our new Year 1 teaching assistant.

In September we will be welcoming the following new teachers

Mrs. Minhas
Miss Cormack
Mrs. Holt
Mrs. Oliver

We will also be welcoming the following teaching assistants:

Mrs. Floyd
Miss Bryan
Mrs. Sahota
Mrs. Johnson

In addition we look forward to welcoming back to school Mrs. Felice and Mrs. Maslen following their maternity leave and we say good luck to Mrs. Mountcastle as she goes on maternity leave.

And finally we have appointed a new Site Agent, Mr. Rignall, who will be joining us from September.

I am sure that you will join us in extending a very warm welcome to all of our new staff in September.

Dates for your diary:

Week commencing 9th July - Annual School reports going home (Years 1 – 4).

11th July – FS, Year 1 and 2 Sports Morning 9.30am. (Feel free to bring your own chair!)

12th July – KS2 Years 3, 4 and 5 Sports Morning 9.30am. (Feel free to bring your own chair!)

16th July – FS, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4 after school discos. See PTFA letter.

17th July – In school class transition afternoon (children will find out who will be in their class next year and who their teacher will be).

17th July- Parents are welcome in with their children to meet next year's teacher and see the new classroom. (Anytime from 3.25pm until 4.30pm)

18th July – 2.00pm Carnival on the field – all welcome

20th July - Last day of Summer Term

4th September – Year 6 pupils leave for Aylmerton Residential visit.

5th September – First day of Autumn Term - children back to school.

P.E Kit

As mentioned in my last newsletter, from September children will be expected to wear black shorts and white t-shirt for PE.

For the colder months and for some outdoor PE lessons, children will be allowed to wear a black tracksuit or joggers and black sweatshirt.

Sing On

Once again, our Year 3 children performed really well at this year's 'Sing On' concert at the Corn Exchange. Sing On is a lovely occasion where children from different schools in Bedford Borough get together for a community singing event.

Fiddle Fiesta

Some of our children took part in the Fiddle Fiesta last week. They joined with lots of other children from Bedfordshire to play their violins in a concert. They did really well and should be very proud of themselves.

Summer Fayre

Many thanks to all of you who came along and supported our summer fayre. What a fantastic day it was and what super weather we had!

Thanks you so much to the PTFA, to Tik Taks and to the staff and volunteers who worked so hard to put on such an amazing event. You raised just over £2,000 for the school and we are very grateful.

School Meals

School meals for children in Years 3 and 4 are reducing in price! They will be £2.10 per day from September 2018.

Year 5 and 6 parents will soon be receiving a letter about school meals, quoting the price for children in those years.

Please note, money must be brought to the office **in advance** of meals being taken. Caterlink will not provide a meal unless payment has been made. You will be contacted if no money is received and requested to bring either payment or a packed lunch for your child.

As you may also be aware, we said goodbye to our Kitchen Manager, Jelena last Tuesday. I would like to thank Jelena for providing us all with such lovely school meals over the past 7 years and I wish her all the best for the future.

Vision Survey

Thank you for all of your responses to the parent survey. We are collating these and forming a vision development team. Watch this space for the new Bedford Road Primary vision statement!

Carnival!

We will be holding an informal, relaxed end of term celebration on the school field in the last week of term.

If you would like to join us, come to the school field on Wednesday 18th July at 2.00pm.

