



Newsletter 1

6 September 2019

Welcome Back

Welcome back to existing families and a massive New Bewerley welcome to new families. If you have any queries or concerns (or just want to tell us how well your child is doing!) please do not hesitate to get in touch. If you need a quick word, you can usually find members of staff on the playground from 8.45am. If you need to see us for a longer chat, please speak to your child's class teacher to arrange a convenient time.

New Members of the Team

Welcome to Miss Beaumont, school's new Year 5 teacher (5M). Also, welcome to Mr Zielinski (aka Mr. Zet) who will be working in 2P and Mrs McDuffus who will be working in 6J.

Contact Details

We no longer send new emergency contact sheets or permission sheets home annually but retain the information on existing ones. If any of your details have changed, for example home address, parent/carer telephone numbers, emergency contacts or allergies, please contact the school office so we can amend our records.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

This year's Macmillan Coffee Morning is Friday 27th September. Parents and carers can visit school from 9am to enjoy a range of drinks and treats. If you would like to donate any cakes or treats bring them into school on the 27th - taking them straight in to the hall.

Class Newsletters

All children will receive a class newsletter outlining the topics and objectives taught this term. Important dates and routines will also be included. Remember to check the school app and website for up-to-date information.

Uniform

The children all look smart this week and we hope it stays that way. Please ensure all uniform is named so that it can be returned to its owner if lost. A reminder about the uniform policy - black shoes or trainers should be worn; long hair tied back with a sensible bobble; no nail varnish or transfer tattoos and no jewellery is allowed except small stud earrings or items that are worn for religious reasons.

Attendance

Like previous years, we are working hard to improve children's attendance at school. Studies prove children make more progress if they have excellent attendance. If a child's attendance falls below 90% parents and carers may be subject to a fine or face court proceedings.

To improve pupil attendance, we will continue to play 'classopoly' with the children. Classes will receive treats if their combined attendance is above 96%. Also, if a child has 100% attendance they will be entered in to prize draws in December & March and receive a reward in July. See below.

100% attendance September to December	Child entered in to a raffle to win £50 of supermarket vouchers for their family.
100% attendance September to March	Child entered in to a raffle to win £5 (20 lucky winners)
100% attendance September to July	Every child with 100% attendance wins £10

Exceptional Leave

Can I remind parents that children cannot be taken out of school on holiday anymore, if this happens, parents may incur a fine from Leeds City Council. If you feel your child's absence falls into the 'exceptional circumstances' category there is a form that can be collected from the office which can be filled in for my consideration. Also, if children do take extended periods of unauthorised absence and do not return to school a referral will be made to the Local Authority which may result in your child losing their school place.

School Times

Remember classroom doors now open at 8.50am every morning. This is when school's duty of care begins. Teachers would like all children to arrive at this time so they can start lessons at 9am. Classroom doors close at 9am. Older children who travel to school unaccompanied should aim to time their arrival to arrive at school at 8.50am since there are no members of staff on the playground until approx. 8.45am. If you and your child arrive before 8.50am and your plays in the school grounds, please ensure he/she is supervised to ensure their safety and that of other children and adults. Children should not play on the trim trail or use the scooter track.

At the end of the school day children all children are passed to their parent or carer once the classroom door is open and the parent/carer has arrived to collect their child. Children should not leave the school grounds unless school has received written permission from a parent or carer to walk home alone.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening is Thursday 17th October. School is closed to reception pupils all day and school closes at 2pm for children in Years 1 to 6 – appointment slips will be sent home soon.

Remaining Training Days 2019 / 20

Friday 22nd May 2020

Monday 1st June 2020

These two training days allow families the opportunity to have a 10 day family holiday without missing any school time and receiving a local authority fine.

Monday 20th July 2020

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Stay in touch with us....

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