

# Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter Date: 22nd March 2019

## Dates for your Diary

### Wed 27th March

Stay & Play for 2019

Sept Starters

9:15am-10:15am

Girls Cluster

Football Tournament

### Thurs 28th March

EYFS Maths

Workshop

2:30pm-3:00pm

### Sat 6th April

FSG Car Boot

Bedale Hall Park

### Tues 9th April

Easter Service at St  
Gregory's Church—

2.00 pm

### Thurs 11th April

FSG Chocolate

Bingo Night

6.00 pm

### Fri 12th April

School Closes for  
Easter

### Mon 29th April

School Closed—  
Training Day

### Tues 30th April

School Re-opens for  
Summer

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to everyone that took the time to complete the questionnaire regarding school dinners at our recent parents evenings.

It is lovely to see so many positive comments and so many children having school dinners and that you all agree that the meals have improved since we changed our caterers in September. I am particularly pleased to see the children using the salad bar and trying many of the different options that are put out daily. We have however taken on board the comments some of you have made regarding the menu and will be looking to make some changes to the menu options after Easter.

We will try and get dishes on there that will appeal to the children and they will try something different. I have passed all the completed questionnaires on to the caterers so they can see your comments and address any individual comments. Mrs K Loughlin, Chair of Governors

The children have all been taking part in assessments over the past two weeks. I know the staff have been very impressed with their focus and determination and I do hope they have not come home too tired.

The residential to Edinburgh for our pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 was a great success last week. I am delighted to report we had no sickness on the bus (unlike our previous trip!). I do hope the children enjoyed their experience and have taken away some memories that they will keep forever. A huge thank you to the staff who supported this event by giving up their evenings and part of their weekend. We could not run such events without this goodwill.

I am delighted that our school has been asked to hold several showcases for head teachers and teachers from the nearby locality over the next two terms. We will be having lots of visitors in school looking at the way we teach phonics and reading, and I am confident pupils will do us proud.

Finally, a date for your diary; our Easter service will be led by our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils at St Gregory's Church on Tuesday 9th April at 2.00 pm and all parents and carers are welcome to join us.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

## **RED NOSE DAY**

Thank you to everyone that contributed towards this worthy cause and thank you to everyone that sent in cakes for us to sell at break-time. We managed to raise a total of £267.00 which is fantastic, especially considering we had a large group of our pupils in Edinburgh on the day.



## **FSG EVENTS**

The next meeting of the FSG is on Wednesday 27th March at 3.15 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and we hope to see some new faces.

Please see below for forthcoming events in the Spring term:

Thursday 11th April—Chocolate Bingo Night at 6.00 pm. Please return your slip to let us know how many seats you would like to book. (Booking is essential for this event).

Saturday 6th April—Car Boot at Bedale Hall Park. We desperately need helpers to shake buckets at this event throughout the morning (parents and children). Please complete the reply slip sent out last week if you are able to help. Thank you

## **SAFEGUARDING**

Please can we remind parents who undertake morning work in classes that they should not be entering the corridors with their children. This is to promote our safeguarding procedures as well as pupil independence. Thank you.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

Our lost property box is filling up again fast. Please feel free to come and take a look if your child has lost any items. Also please ensure all uniform and coats are named. It makes life so much easier for school and quicker for us to return those jumpers and coats that are left outside or in the hall regularly.



Thank you very much to all the families who were able to attend the alien picnic. The children had a great time and it was a lovely end to our space topic.

## **Reception News**

We are studying the books of the author Julia Donaldson over the next few weeks and have started with Room on the Broom. If you have any Julia Donaldson books your child would like to share then please send them in.

Forest schools is always a big success and the children really enjoy it. Please can we ask that you do send your child with their wellies etc on forest school days so that they can enjoy the area fully.

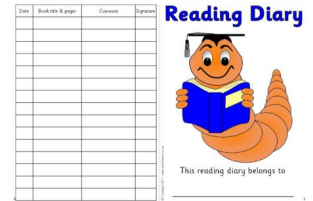
We have been doubling and halving in Maths and the children know some off by heart. See if they can tell you any!

Thank you to all the parents that came into the classrooms to look at their child's work last week. The children really enjoyed showing off their hard work and the comments we received were lovely to read.

## Year 1/2 News

The children have all worked very hard this week on their reading and maths assessments. We are very proud of their efforts. If there have been any issues with the assessments, then your child's teacher will speak to you about this to see how you can help them at home.

A little reminder about reading at home- we recommend that you try and read at least three times a week and record this in your child's reading diary. In the front of your child's reading diary is a list of words that they should be able to read and spell for each year group. Please feel free to have a go at these with your child and help them learn them over the next few weeks.



Thank you for your continued support.

## Year 3/4 News

We are half way through the Half-Term already!

The children in year 3 and 4 have been working extremely well this week as they have completed their Spring assessments. They have proved how much they have learnt over the last 7 months.

It may seem like a while ago now but the poetry competition was a huge success for the year 4 classes who were crowned winners and runners-up. Well done to all the children though as the poems were performed brilliantly throughout.

### Poetry Competition

Just a reminder that your child should now be taking a 'coloured' book home from school each day which should be brought in every day, along with their reading diary. Thank you.

We've had a very busy week with our debating team finishing as runners-up in the recent competition and our tag rugby team coming third in the Richmondshire finals as well.

## Year 5/6 News

Our Edinburgh residential also took place from Thursday to Saturday, which everyone enjoyed. Although I'm sure everyone has their own highlight, the ABBA Party Night was particularly entertaining and Camera Obscura was also a lot of fun.

You can see some photos from the visit on our school blog.



**PLEASE NOTE THESE TERM DATES ARE FOR  
THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR**

**SCHOOL TERM DATES 2019/2020**

**2019**

**Autumn Term:**

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	School closed. <i>In service training day</i>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	School opens 8.55 am
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes for ½ term at 3.15 pm
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens 8.55 am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas

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**Spring Term:**

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School closed. <i>In service training day</i>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens 8.55 am
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for ½ term at 3.15 pm
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	School opens 8.55 am
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	School closes for Easter at 3.15 pm

**Summer Term:**

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	School closed. <i>In service training day</i>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	School opens 8.55 am
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed. May Day holiday
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	School closes for ½ term at 3.15 pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	School closed. <i>In service training day</i>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	School opens 8.55 am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	School closes for Summer at 3.15 pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed. <i>In service training day</i>