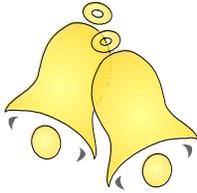


BELLFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Autumn Term
23rd September 2019

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

It has been a hectic, but very happy, start to the term. The children in all year groups have settled well in their new classes – with Year 3 doing very well, considering they are in a new school too! We decided not to adjust the Year 3 classes, as they had settled so well with the teachers, and so the classes are now set for the year.

52 Year 6 children went to JCA, having an adventurous and fun time, coming back very tired. The Year 6s that didn't go had fun trying new things in school, including an adventure morning with Stew, our outdoor learning expert.

Life is very busy in school and there are many visitors and visits coming up. We always aim to give as much notice as possible for visits so you can pay weekly if it makes it easier for yourselves.

Attendance and punctuality have been great so far this year – thank you for this!

If you haven't already, PLEASE download our app! We communicate important messages, reminders & news on here almost daily. This can be downloaded onto your smartphone or tablet by going to the app store or Google play,



finding 'School Jotter' (the logo is the pencil shown here), downloading and then searching for our school. If you have children in both the Juniors & Infants, link to both schools, make sure the push notifications are switched on and you will get the messages from both schools come up!

YOU'RE INVITED



**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**

We are having a MacMillan COFFEE MORNING on Friday 27 Sept, 9-10am, in the school hall for our Parents/ Carers. Please come along to join in – have a brew and some cake and help us raise money this fantastic charity. We are also asking for **donations** of cakes for a cake sale for the children (at break time & end of school) on

World food day 03/10/2019—We are doing a world food day dinner menu on Thursday 3rd October. This includes: American BBQ chicken wings, Jamaican chicken curry, Oriental vegetable chow mein - served with curly fries, rice or English vegetable medley followed by American pancakes with a variety of toppings for dessert. The cost of the meal is £2.40 unless you are entitled to free school meals. If you would like your child to have this school dinner then please tell them to select 'school dinner' when the dinner



ATTENDANCE is a real issue for all schools. The Government and Birmingham City Council are tightening up on children with poor attendance or where children are being taken on holidays during term time. From January to July 2019, three families were prosecuted for taking their children on holiday during term time and two families have been prosecuted for the poor attendance of their children. Please check dates that

the school is open/ closed and ensure your children are attending. Please also remember that if there are any issues or concerns, you can come and talk to us about these. The website has all term dates from now until July 2022! Attendance prosecutions are something we have no control over as it is a legal requirement. Thank you



We have had some issues with children eating their school hot dinners at lunchtimes. There are a number that choose their food and say that they do not like what is on offer. However, we usually have 3, or 4 (depending on the day) choices, including a choice of a jacket potato. We also have the facility to order a packed lunch. Please can you look at the website (Virtual Office pencil) to view the 3 week menu – and if there are any days where there is no option your child(ren) likes, then please order (via the office) a packed lunch option or provide a packed lunch. We want to ensure all children eat well at lunchtimes. However, we would ask that you talk to your child(ren) about

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN AND AROUND SCHOOL (since the last newsletter!)

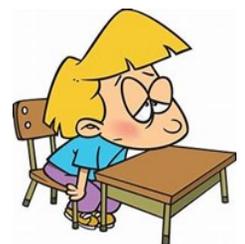


Finding out about each other and how to look after each other.



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Unfortunately, some children are coming to school tired. The effects of late nights playing for whatever reason has a serious negative effect on children's learning and behaviour - many become emotional and irritable during the day. Please try to get children into a routine that allows them to have 9-10 hours good sleep on school nights. If you need any further support, then please let the pastoral team know.



DATES FOR DIARY –

ALL current dates, including term dates, are on the website/ app up to July 2022!

Don't forget, these can sometimes change so always check the website, which is updated weekly!

25.9.19	2pm- Open Afternoon for Year 2 Parents/ Carers
26.9.19	Photographer in school – individual photos CAKE SALE (for MacMillan) – please donate – on sale to children at break time & end of school (if any left!)
27.9.19	9-10am: MacMillan COFFEE MORNING for Parents/ Carers
2.10.19	Year 5 – Fencing (taster session)
3.10.19	Themed Lunch – World Food Day 3-5.30pm Y3/4 Multi-sport competition – tbc
7.10.19	Year 6 visit to Coventry Cathedral Artist in to work with Y4
8.10.19	Artist in to work with Y4
9.10.19	Flu Vaccinations (Whole school)
10.10.19	3W – Harvest Assembly – tbc: please send in food donations
14.10.19	Artist in to work with Y4
15.10.19	Artist in to work with Y4 Parent/ Teacher Consultations 3.30-5.30pm
16.10.19	Parent/ Teacher Consultations 3.30-5.30pm
17.10.19	Year 5 – cooking theme day – with a top chef!
18.10.19	Mystery Theme day
24.10.19	Year 4 visit to Dudley Zoo Year 6 – Workshop for Parents/ Carers & children: SATs: 9-10am
25.10.19	Last day before half-term holiday
28.10.19-1.11.19	HALF TERM holiday
4.11.19	Back to school @ 8.45am
7.11.19	3-5.30pm Gymnastics competition – details to follow
21.11.19	2.15pm: Year 4 Inspire Workshop for Parents/ Carers & children – maths
25.11.19	Luke Temple – author – visiting school to do assembly & book signing
26.11.19	NSPCC 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' assembly & workshops
6.12.19	3-5.30pm: Y5/6 Basketball competition – details to follow
11.12.19	School's Christmas Dinner
17.12.19	2.15pm: Year 4 Christmas Play performance to families
19.12.19	(pm) Christmas Party time!
20.12.19	Last day before break up for Christmas holidays
6.1.20	Teacher Training day – school closed to children
7.1.20	Back to school @ 8.45am

We have donated, clean SCHOOL UNIFORM that is available if you need any help in supplying uniform for your children – please come into/ ring the office and we will sort out items for you.



The Environmental Health Officer visited our school kitchens in July and we have now had it confirmed that we have been awarded the highest grade of 5 – well done to our brilliant

Celebrating Success



Stars of the week:

3K—Scarlett

3C—Kara

3W— Yolande

4ED—Harley

4AS— Ashton

4OS—Maisie

5HW—Leighton

5S—Niamh

5SN—Katie

6CT—Ronaldo

6B—Mackenzie

**Well done to all of these
children!**

Yes I Can

**We now have our “Yes I Can”
Roll of Honour Board - these
are children that have faced
something difficult, haven't
given up and have then
succeeded - this month we
have had:**