



# Bellfield Infant School News

10th January 2020

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## Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back to school and a Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and Father Christmas brought you lots of surprises! It was lovely to see the children return to school recharged and ready for the challenges of the new term.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Miss Roberts, our new Reception Teacher who has replaced Mr Casey in Class RC. The children were able to meet her before the Christmas break, which has facilitated a smooth transition for her and the children.

Although we haven't had any bad weather yet, please can you make sure that we have your up-to-date contact details so that we can keep you informed should there be any reason to close school in the event of snow. We also need two extra contact details in case of emergency related to illness or injury so if Parents are not available we have somebody else to contact.



Can I remind you that if your child is absent from school for any reason it is very important that you inform school before 9:00am.

To inform the school you can either:-

- Call 0121 464 4855 Option 1 to leave a voice message on our dedicated absence line.
- Call 0121 464 4855 Option 3 to speak to a member of the office staff from 7:30am.
- Text 07900 351 202 to leave a text message.

Please leave your Child's name, Class and Reason for absence. If you do not let the school know why your child is absent, we will contact you and if needed, make home visits to find out the reasons as this is our statutory duty.

During the Teacher Training day on Monday, some members of staff updated their Paediatric First Aid qualification to ensure that staff are able to administer first aid in the event of your child suffering an injury. We make sure all of our support staff have this qualification.

We are having a real purge on attendance, and ask for your support in this. We appreciate that there were some nasty viruses leading to ill health last term, but hopefully this term will be much better as our attendance was disappointing for the Autumn Term in some Year Groups. School follows the 'Birmingham Fast Track Attendance' procedures, which ultimately leads to parents being fined for poor attendance.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery)  
was 96.29%

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Nursery	77.08%	8
RC	97.06%	2
RD	96.67%	2
1E	95%	1
1S	94.83%	5
2B	98.75%	2
2H	95.42%	0



**Well Done to Class 2B who achieved the highest attendance this week!**

Please look out for the knowledge organisers to give you information about your child's new topic this half term.

**Nursery: Kipper's Snow Day**

**Reception: The Polar Bear and the Snow Cloud**

**Year 1: Betty and the Yeti**

**Year 2: The Snow Queen**

As reading is one of our main priorities in school, please can you make sure you read with your child every night and sign their book so that we know they have been read to. We will be holding Reading Workshops in the near future, (see Dates for your Diary) which we hope will be useful for you to support your child at home with their reading.

After School Activity clubs begin next week and texts will be sent out on Monday 13th January if your child has successfully secured a place in their chosen club.

**A reminder that the on-line process to apply for Reception and Year 3 school places for September 2020 closes on Wednesday 15th January 2020.**

To apply please visit;

<https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

## Dates for your Diary

**Every Thursday** - SEN Parent Drop-in 2pm

Tue 11/02/20 - Year 1 Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm

Wed 12/02/20 - Year 2 Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm

Thurs 13/02/20 - Reception Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm

Fri 14/02/20 - Nursery Reading Workshop for Parents 3:30pm

Fri 14/02/20 - Reception Eye Tests

**Mon 17th February 2020 - Friday 21st February 2020  
(School Closed for Half Term—5 DAYS)**

Tue 03/03/20 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6:00pm

Thurs 05/03/20 - World Book Day

Thurs 12/03/20 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6:00pm

Fri 03/04/20 - Last Day of Spring Term

Please visit website or app for further dates.

## Spring Term 2020:

**School open:**

Tuesday 7th January - Friday 14th February

**Half Term Holiday: (1 week)**

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

**School open:**

Monday 24th February - Friday 3rd April

**Easter Holiday: (2 weeks)**

Monday 6th April - Friday 17th April

Monday 20th April (School closed for teacher Training)

Summer term begins Tuesday 21st April 2020

## Awards

### Star of the Week

**Nursery:** - Denison for having a great start to the new term.

**Class RC:** - Chloe G for trying really hard to hear initial sounds.

**Class RD:** - Alice for always working hard and her wonderful writing this week.

**Class 1E:** - Abdallah for using his fantastic sounds in his writing.

**Class 1S:** - Lacey for a huge improvement in her writing.

**Class 2B:** - Yohan for his detailed description of The Snow Queen

**Class 2H:** - Melanie for a huge improvement in her writing.



## Lunchtime



**Class RC:** - Skyla

**Class RD:** - Noah

**Class 1E:** - Scarlett

**Class 1S:** - Roselyn

**Class 2B:** - Julia

**Class 2H:** - Jayson H



## MATHS AWARD

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**YEAR ONE**  
Marcel  
Class 1S

**YEAR TWO**  
Akeem  
Class 2H

Well done to you all! Please join us in assembly on Monday morning at 9:10am to celebrate your child's success.

Use the entrance in the playground (next to Year 2 classrooms). Doors will open at approx. 9:00am