



Purple Press

Bedgrove Infant School Newsletter

Next Week (w/c 27th September) Lunch Menu – Week 2

22nd September 2021

Staffing Update

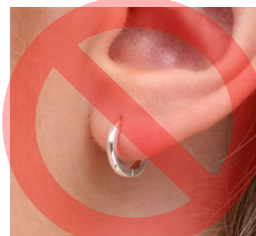
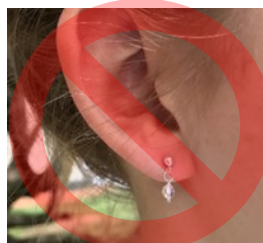
We welcome Miss Thurkettle as our new Lion Class teacher for this half term. She has settled really quickly into the team and is looking forward to getting to know the children and their families well over the next few weeks

Mrs Grant has had a small operation on her foot and will be resting at home for the next two weeks. Mr Stray and Mr Nixon will be supporting Jaguar Class whilst she recuperates. We wish Mrs Grant a speedy and full recovery.

Earrings

We would like to remind parents that if children wear earring for school these **MUST** be stud earrings and not any type of hoop or drop earring that could be caught during play and rip out of the ear. This is a very important health and safety concern and we are seeing many children with unsafe earrings in school.

Please remember that earrings **MUST** be removed on PE days. If they cannot be taken out due to being newly pierced, they must be covered with plaster tape to stop them being caught during the lesson. Parents must tape the earrings before school or provide this tape for the children to do themselves prior to the lesson. Thank you



Diary Dates

Thursday 23rd September
FoBIS AGM Meeting
7.30pm - 9.30pm

Friday 22nd October
School Closes for Half Term

Monday 1st November
INSET Day

Tuesday 2nd November
School Re-opens

Friday 5th November
F1 & F2 School Photos

Friday 17th December
School Closes for Christmas
Closing at 1.30pm

FoBIS AGM

We are delighted that so many parents have signed up to join the FoBIS team at their AGM this Thursday at 7.30pm. At this meeting, the FoBIS team will be recognising the significant work that the Chair, Claire Ashton, has put into the charity and thank her for her commitment to the school during her time in role. As Claire steps down as Chair, she leaves the team in a very positive position to take FoBIS forward and the school are extremely grateful for this.

The AGM is the perfect opportunity for parents to come and see what FoBIS is all about and how you could possibly help to develop it further. The FoBIS team look forward to seeing you there.

Tell us your collection arrangements

If you haven't already done so please can you complete the [Collection Authorisation form](#) detailing who is authorised to collect your child from school.

Please ensure you include a secure password/keyword that cannot be easily guessed.

Once this form has been completed you will not need to notify us when someone else is collecting your child, unless their details are not on the form.

Actions following notification of a positive Covid case in school

Positive case of Covid



Close contacts identified – asked to obtain PCR test



Warn & inform letter sent to parents in associated year group



Positive cases - isolate for 10 days



Negative cases - return to school



Recommended regular LFT over next 10 days for negative cases

For more details please refer to Newsletter dated 15th September 2021.

Vacancies

We currently have the following positions available within the school:

Two Teaching Assistants

Two Lunchtime/Midday Supervisors

Nursery Apprentice

If you would like more information about these roles, or are you interested in applying, please go to the Vacancy section of our website, link below:

<https://www.bedgroveinfantschool.co.uk/about-us/vacancies>

Application forms can be found at the bottom of the website page, **closing date is 24th September.**

Taster Day

On Thursday 7th October we will be holding a taster day where all students who currently bring in packed lunch will be given the opportunity to try something from our school menu in addition to their packed lunch.

The options that will be available to try will be as follows:

- Margarita Pizza

- Flapjack



If you would prefer that your child does not take part in this please contact the school office at office@bedgroveinfant.co.uk to let us know otherwise the above options will be offered to them to try.

Please note that if your child has an allergy this will be taken into consideration and they will only be offered food suitable to them.

Pupil Premium/Free School Meals

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic your circumstances may have changed. As a result of this you may now be eligible to claim Free School Meals/Pupil Premium for your child.

If you think you meet the criteria please complete the attached Free School Meal Form, and return, via email, to office@bedgroveinfant.co.uk at your earliest convenience. For more details, and to see if you qualify, please refer to the attached form.

We will then forward the completed form to the Local Authority Checking Centre and will be in touch with the result, once we have received this.

Please be aware, this is separate to the Universal Free School Meals that all our children receive and is based on individual circumstances.

Moving from BIS to BJS

We have been informed that parents/carers are walking across the field while Junior School children are still outside in their PE lesson.

Please can we remind you to stay on the path and not cross over to the Junior School until they have finished their lessons as this can be disruptive to the lesson and a safeguarding risk.

Gardening Equipment Donations

Year 1 are looking for donations of gardening equipment for the children to use on the vegetable patch by the pond.

If you have any gardening gloves, trowels, seeds, pots, compost, or any other gardening items, that you are willing to donate they would be gratefully received.

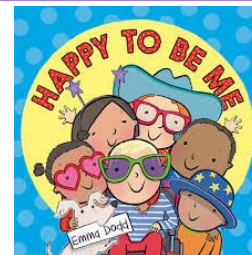


Through the Purple Periscope



F1

All children have now been placed in Key Person groups. We spend some time each day in these groups taking part in small circle activities and sharing a snack. This helps children get to know each other and each others names. If you have not received a letter, please ask the F1 team.



From next week we will be starting our focus story, 'Happy to be Me'. We spend lots of time focusing on the key language and thinking of actions. Alongside the focus story we also have a focus rhyme of the week. Next week our rhyme will be 'Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes'.

We are working hard to encourage all children to be more independent. Here are some ideas you can practise at home:

- Opening their water bottle
- Feeding themselves
- Taking their jumpers on and off
- Wiping their noses
- Wearing clothes that they will find easy to pull up and down when using the toilet (drawstring or elastic waist)

Can we also please remind you to ensure that all of your child's belongings are named.

F2

This week in F2 we have started our phonics sessions. This has involved lots of listening games, recognising noises and identifying initial sounds. In our 'Talk4Writing' sessions we have been making class story maps, supporting the children's knowledge and structure of our 'Pete the Cat' story.

Each week, we have a new 'Nursery rhyme of the week' where we focus on a nursery rhyme, supporting the children's language skills, this week we are looking at 'Five little men in a Flying Saucer'.



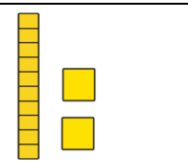
We are very excited to start our PE sessions tomorrow!

Y1

We have had a great week retelling the story 'The Enormous Turnip' in Year 1. We have been acting out the story, describing the characters and have even rewritten our own version of the story.

In Maths, we continued our learning on place value; this week focusing on partitioning numbers to 20 using diennes (see diagram). We have been using diennes to represent numbers to 20 and have also been using the part whole model to show how many tens and ones are in each number.

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Things to take note of:

- Just a gentle reminder to complete the collection form in the back of your child's reading record. This is in addition to the Collection Authorisation form. Thank you.
- Reading books are changed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week. We like to encourage all children to re-read texts as this helps with fluency and also gives children more time to comprehend what they have read, look at the vocabulary in more detail and practice using expression.
- Thank you so much to those that have already donated lots of gardening resources. We really appreciate your help. If you have any pots, compost, seeds, gardening tools at home that you are willing to donate, please drop them in at the office or to your class teacher.

Y2

The children in Year 2 are completing their work on Little Red Riding Hood this week and have enjoyed designing nightgowns in their Art lessons.

For Maths we have started working on addition number sentences and continue to look at place value with tens and ones numbers.

The children have been adding 10 to 2-digit numbers in school. We would appreciate you practising this at home as well if you get some time! As the weather is getting colder, we will continue to take the children outside for breaks, lunches and outdoor learning when appropriate so please ensure your child always comes into school with a coat.

You may have already filled in the online form for pick-up arrangements, but please can you also fill in the page in your child's reading record book. Thank you!