



Purple Press

Bedgrove Infant School Newsletter

Next Week (w/c 8th November) New Lunch Menu – Week 1

3rd November 2021

Purple Partners

We would like to gauge the interest of parents and carers who would be interested in supporting the children of Bedgrove Infant School by signing up as 'Purple Partners' to hear children read in school every week.

You would need to be able to provide us with a regular, weekly commitment to work with a group of children in order to support them in the progression of their reading for at least a term. This may be one to two hours a week, dependent upon what time you are able to offer.

A short training session will be provided to demonstrate how to support children to read effectively in school prior to starting, with an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have.

Not only is this a highly enjoyable experience but you will also see first-hand the impact that you make in supporting our pupils and their journey into being confident, fluent readers.

You would need to undertake a DBS (Safeguarding check) and agree to our risk assessment prior to starting the programme.

If you are interested in signing up please click [here](#) to register your interest by Friday 26th November.

Thank you.

Diary Dates

Friday 5th November
Firework Mufti Day

w/c Monday 15th November
F2 - Y2 Parents Evening
Telephone Appointments

Tuesday 16th November
F2 Parents Evening Face to Face

Wednesday 17th November
Y2 Parents Evening Face to Face

Thursday 18th November
Y1 Parents Evening Face to Face

Tuesday 23rd November
F1 & F2 School Photos

Wednesday 24th November
Flu Immunisations F2 –Y2

Wednesday 8th December
Christmas Themed Lunch

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

FoBIS Firework Mufti Day & Craft Afternoon

All children are invited to wear their brightest clothes on Friday 5th November and craft activities will take place within their classrooms with their teachers from 1pm - 3pm.

If you have not yet made payment for this please do so in the ParentMail shop as soon as possible, the cost is £2.50 per child.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact FoBIS by email to friendsofbedgroveinfant@gmail.com.

Parents Evening

If you have not already booked your parents evening appointment please do so as soon as possible via Parent Mail.

Starting School / Moving up to Junior School

The Primary Portal is now open for Reception and Junior School applications for September 2022 - click [here](#) to begin your application.

If your child is in F1 you should be applying for a Reception place for September 2022. You will not automatically be offered a space at Bedgrove Infant School even though your child attends the nursery, you must still apply via Buckinghamshire Council.

If your child is in Year 2 you should be applying for a Year 3 place at a Junior School. You will not automatically be offered a place at Bedgrove Junior School even though your child attends Bedgrove Infant School, you must still apply via Buckinghamshire Council.

Please ensure all applications are made before the deadline, midnight on 15th January 2022.

<https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/apply-for-a-school-place/>

School Photos

Children in F1 and F2 will be having their school photos taken on **Tuesday 23rd November**.

If your Year 1/Year 2 child missed their school photo on 15th September and you would like them to have theirs taken please notify the office so that they can be added to the list.

FoBIS Design a Card

Unfortunately, the card below was not named. Please can you let us know if this is your child's design.



FoBIS Christmas Raffle

Are you able to donate anything to this year's Christmas Raffle?

All donations are so gratefully received.

If you can make any donation at all please contact FoBIS by email to friendsofbedgroveinfant@gmail.com.

Thank you!

The Kingsbrook School

Community Consultation on the opening of The Kingsbrook School, a six form entry secondary school on the new Kingsbrook development in Aylesbury.

Please see the attached document for further information.

Early Years

Please check out our Early Years Instagram page to see what the children in Nursery and Reception have been up to!

https://instagram.com/bedgrove_infant_eyfs?utm_medium=copy_link



Parking

We continue to receive complaints about parking in the area. Please be mindful of where and how you are parking to ensure that everyone stays safe.



See what the children have been up to across the year groups as we take a look ...

Through the Purple Periscope



F1

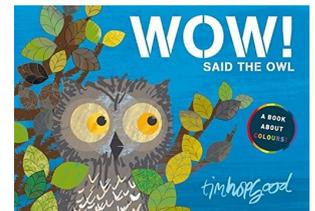
We have been very impressed with how well the children have settled back into F1 after their first half term holiday.

We started this week off with lots of different spooky activities. The children have been busy making spiders out of playdough, using tweezers to save the spiders from the gloop, making pumpkin pictures with apples and paint and making potions outside with coloured water.

In phonics this week we are distinguishing between different sounds, this includes environmental sounds, instrumental sounds and body percussion. We have been on a listening walk and all the children listened very carefully to what they could hear.

In Maths this week we are making comparisons between objects using appropriate vocabulary such as size, big / small / bigger / smaller. We have used lots of natural resources that the children collected on their Autumn walks and compared the size of sticks, leaves and pine cones.

Our focus story for the next few weeks is 'Wow! Said the Owl'.



As the weather is now getting colder can we please ask you to label all hats and gloves. We would also recommend sending your child in with mittens so that they can be independent at putting them on.

Don't forget to apply for a Reception place - the deadline is 15th January 2022.

F2

This week in F2 we have been consolidating our knowledge of numbers 1, 2 and 3 by representing them in different ways. We are also introducing numbers 4 and 5 and challenging children's mathematical thinking when finding out one more and one less on a number line.

In phonics we are revising all the sounds learnt so far as well as learning new graphemes ck, e, u and r. The children will be also discovering tricky words 'to' and 'the'.

Our book of a week is 'Leaf Thief'. This story encourages children's wider thinking. We will be discussing the signs of autumn and learning new vocabulary such as disaster, nocturnal and disturb.

The children are also immersed in lots of activities celebrating Diwali and Bonfire night.

Next Thursday, 11th November, children will be attending a music session with Helen Battelley.

As the weather is getting colder, please ensure your children bring in coats, hats and gloves every day.

Y1

In EPIC this week, as Bonfire Night approaches we have been learning about the gunpowder plot. We took a trip back in time to discover what Guy Fawkes and his plotters planned and how they were uncovered! The children loved acting the story out and discussing whether Guy Fawkes was right or wrong.

In Maths, we have been recapping our learning on: addition, subtraction and partitioning. We used number lines, the part whole model and diennes to help us. We had to use our skills to solve a treasure hunt and crack the code!

Gentle reminder that PE days have changed. Giraffes and Hippos will have PE on Monday afternoons/Rhinos and Elephants will have PE on Friday afternoons.

Please ensure your child comes to school wearing weather appropriate clothing now that the weather has become colder.

Y2

We welcome Year 2 back and are introducing our new topic of Explorers! We will be looking at a range of different explorers from different backgrounds and cultures, including ibn Battuta, Matthew Henson, Ernest Shackleton, Felicity Aston and Amy Johnson. Please do feel free to do your own research on these famous explorers at home with your children.

The weather is getting very cold now. We would like to remind parents to always send children into school with a coat, hats and gloves. Thank you!

Don't forget to apply for a Junior School place - the deadline is 15th January 2022.