



Spring 2018 Newsletter



A special welcome to all of the new parents and children that have joined Bayonne this term.

Every term you will receive a newsletter where you will find information about learning activities planned for each term and general information about the school.

You can find a copy of this newsletter and lots of other information – including school term dates on our Federation website www.bjfed.lbhf.sch.uk

Curriculum Planning:

We do not have a planned topic each term. At Bayonne we Plan in the Moment and focus more on child initiated play. Please see the board in the entrance hall or your child's keyworker for more information. WOW Moment observation sheets are also on the planning board; please take one as we would love to know all the wonderful things the children do when they are not at nursery. This could be a special event, a trip, reading a book together or helping to cook something. We will then use these in their profiles.

Sing-A-Long Dates

Singing is one of the earliest ways a child learns to communicate and is an excellent way to learn new sounds, expressions and words. At Bayonne we want to encourage great communication skills and will be holding sing-a-long sessions every other Thursday at 2.40-3pm. Come and sing with your children, bring their siblings along too.

- 25th January
- 8th February

School Payments:

We have now moved to the online payment system School Money, you will now be able to pay for lunches, breakfast club and crèche via this system.

All parents/carers should have received a password to log in to the system, if you haven't please speak to Louise.

The cost of lunches is £1.80 per day, breakfast club is £3.50 per session and crèche is £7.50 per session. They should all be paid weekly. Via School Money. Should parents wish to pay for the half or whole term in advance for any of the above please see the admin team who will give you the amount to pay.

If you are having difficulty using the service please also see the admin team who will be happy to help.

Book Lending Library

Please remember to bring your child's book bag to school every Friday. Children are allowed to borrow two books from the library each week for you to take home and read together. We also have an excellent selection of books in home languages. Book bags are available to purchase from reception for £3.



Labelling your child's clothing

Could we ask all parents to label their children's clothing in particular coats, hats, scarfs and gloves. As you can appreciate it can be very difficult to keep track of 60 coats, 60 hats, 60 scarfs and 120 gloves!! Could you also ensure your child has spare socks in their bag.

Please join us in welcoming Jana Haddouch to the team. Jana will be helping us in the nursery for the Spring term.



School Meals

Our meals are now cooked at Queens Manor School and are then delivered to us. Lunches are booked at 9.40am if you haven't arrived and we have not heard from you by this time a lunch will not be booked for your child.

SPRING TERM DAIRY DATES:

Every Monday AM – Football Skills with FFC
Every Wednesday AM – Wiggle Waggle with Keisha
Every Thursday PM – Yoga with YogaBugs
5th - 9th February – Chinese New Year Celebrations
12th – 16th February – Half Term Holiday
19th February - School Closed for Inset Day
1st March – World Book Day, Come to school dressed
.. as a book character
17th - 23rd March – Sports Relief

Breakfast Club & Crèche

- Breakfast club runs from 8- 9.15am and cost £3.50 per session
- Every Friday afternoon nursery closes at 12:45pm. There is a crèche from 12.45 – 3pm which is free to working parents who have an entitlement code for 30 hours free childcare. The cost to other working/ studying parents is £7.50 per session if there is availability.



30 hour codes must be applied for every 3 months and must be given to the admin team at the start of each term otherwise crèche will be chargeable.

If you would like to book a place at breakfast club or crèche please speak to the reception staff. Remember if you book a place and don't cancel it you will still be charged.

An important part of the EYFS curriculum is for children to explore and learn through play. This means that children will be involved in many different and **often messy** sensory experiences. Bearing this in mind please ensure children are suitable dressed in clothes that can get messy and that your child can manage independently e.g trousers or joggers with elasticated waists and shoes with Velcro fastenings, etc. If your child comes home in nursery clothes please ensure the clothes are washed and returned as soon as possible. Please remember to check your child's change of clothes bag **at the end of each day** to see if it needs topping up and **please label you child's clothing.**

Scooters & Bikes – No Buggies/Pushchairs

We are a healthy school with an up to date and current school travel plan. We encourage all children in the nursery to come to school by bike or scooter. If your child needs to come to school in a pushchair or buggy please fold it up and place it at the back of the bike/scooter shed or take it home with you as outside space is limited. Please place scooters and bikes in racks as neatly as possible. It is a good idea to write your child's name clearly on their scooter or bike. Thank You.

Voluntary Fund:

Please remember to bring in your voluntary contribution of £1 on Monday mornings. This goes towards cooking ingredients, theatre groups, visits, corn flour, playdough and food colouring for the water play, etc.



Tissues

Please bring in a box of tissues for use in the classrooms. We have lots of runny noses at this time of year!



Fruit for snack:

There is a basket on the reception desk to receive donations of fruit and vegetables. Thank you



Backpacks on Children's Pegs

As you will have noticed there is very little space on the children's coat pegs it is for this reason that we ask that children do not bring backpacks or bags to school. Thank you

Children's Centre:

We run two Stay & Play Sessions in the Children's Centre on Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 1.45 – 3.15pm. These sessions run in term time only. Families with children under five are very welcome to come along and join these sessions.

Please do not use your mobile devices on the school premises, this is school policy and is in line with regulations regarding safeguarding of children.



Spring Half Term Holiday - Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2018
School Closed for Staff Training – Monday 19th February 2018
Children return to school on Tuesday 20th April 2018