



Bellfield Infant School News

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Dear Parents & Carers



We hope you had a great Christmas holiday and we would like to wish you all A Happy New Year and hope it is a healthy and successful one for all! The new term has started and it is so pleasing to see the children looking smart in their uniforms and excited to be back at school.

On Monday, we had joint training with the Junior School for Team Teach, which looks at how we can de-escalate situations when pupils have a crisis and become aggressive and threatening towards pupils and staff alike. We were also taught how - in extreme cases - to physically handle such pupils in a safe way and remove them to a place where they can calm down. The behaviour in our school is very good but it is important that if there was an incident where it is necessary to restrain a pupil, we are trained to manage the situation correctly.

We had hoped that a new year would mean a fresh start and that would mean everyone would arrive on time ready for school, however this has not been the case for some. There are a number of pupils who are consistently late for school and this really does have a detrimental effect on the start of their school day. PLEASE can YOU make sure that your child is in the playground when class doors open so they are not LATE - the **school day starts at 8:50am**, not 9:00am. The vast majority of parents who have very busy schedules manage this so there is no excuse why everyone can't be here on time. At this age it is the parents who are responsible for getting their children to school on time, not the child. We are trying to prepare the children for life and in an adult world being late for work will lead to unemployment.

Attendance this week (excluding Nursery) was 97.74% 🌟

Class	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Nursery	92.05%	4
RC	99.17%	5
RD	95.83%	4
1E	98.75%	4
1H	97.84%	NO LATES
2B	97.58%	3
2H	98.33%	7
2S	96.67%	NO LATES



The weather is getting colder so please can you make sure that your child has named gloves and a hat to keep them warm. If the weather gets too cold we shall limit the amount of time they have outside. Although, if it is tolerable we prefer them to run off steam outside so they can settle into their work after their play time.

A reminder that the on-line process to apply for Reception and Year 3 school places for September 2019 closes on Tuesday 15th January 2019.

To apply please visit;

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



Well Done to Class RC who achieved the highest attendance this week!



This term our focus on reading for enjoyment continues and we shall be holding workshops for parents to come and work with their child on reading games and activities. It is important that someone attends to support your child otherwise they cannot participate and will miss out. If you are a working parent, we appreciate that it can be difficult to get time off but we always welcome aunties, uncles, grandparents or siblings to come and support your child if you cannot make it. The first workshop is next Friday, 18th January for Year 2 parents at 9:15am in the school hall. Year 1 have their workshop on Friday 25th January.

We are also encouraging Nursery and Reception parents to come and share stories at our open sessions on specific Friday's with their children (see Dates for your Diary).

After school activity clubs begin next week. We have had a massive response this term and unfortunately we will not be able to accommodate all requests for a place. Texts will be sent out on Monday 14th January if your child has successfully secured a place in their chosen club. Refunds will be issued to those who were unsuccessful this time.

Dates for your Diary

Every Tuesday - SEN Parent Drop-in 2.00pm
 Fri 18/01/19 - Year 2 Reading Workshop 9:15am
 Fri 18/01/19 - Nursery Open session for parents 11:30am
 Fri 18/01/19 - Reception Open session for parents 2:45pm
 Fri 18/01/19 - World Religion Day
 Fri 25/01/19 - Year 1 Reading Workshop 9:15am
 Fri 01/02/19 - Nursery Open session for parents 11:30am
 Fri 01/02/19 - Reception Open session for parents 2:45pm
 Fri 15/02/19 - Nursery Open session for parents 11:30am
 Fri 15/02/19 - Reception Open session for parents 2:45pm

Mon 18th February - Friday 22nd February
 (School Closed for Half term - 5 DAYS)

Tue 05/03/19 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6pm
 Thurs 7/03/19 - World Book day
 Thurs 14/03/19 - Parent Consultations 3:30pm - 6pm

Spring Term 2018:

School open:

Tuesday 8th January - Friday 15th February

Half Term Holiday: (1 week)

Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February

School open:

Monday 25th February - Friday 12th April

Easter Holiday: (2 weeks)

Monday 15th April - Friday 26th April

Summer term begins Monday 29th April



Awards

Star of the Week

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Nursery: - **Oliver** for retelling our story and being a super star reader.

Class RC: - **Rayan Ab** for trying hard to use fingers spaces and full stops in his writing.

Class RD: - **Callum** for trying hard with his writing.

Class 1E: - **Jayson H** for being a superstar all week!

Class 1H: - **Julia** for concentrating on her writing skills.

Class 2B: - **Shai-Marie** for her super effort in reading.

Class 2H: - **Leo** for trying really hard and being positive.

Class 2S: - **Jayden** for always trying his best.



Lunchtime



Class RC: - Layla-Jayne
Class RD: - Laila

Class 1E: - Lily-Ann
Class 1H: - Kesi

Class 2B: - Lexi-Leigh
Class 2H: - Xavier
Class 2S: - Katelyn

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