

Bushey Heath Primary School

Respect, Encourage and Achieve



Newsletter – October Half Term 2015

Dear Parents,

Half term is here and I am pleased to say we have had a great half term.

The children and staff have worked really hard and have certainly demonstrated their commitment to hard work.

As you know we are working on developing our school ethos. The children are demonstrating respect throughout the school and it is good to hear them talking about this as they work and play.

Next half term we will be focussing on encouragement as our theme. We will share this with you as the term progresses.

Our marking scheme is becoming embedded. 'Tickled Pink' for highlighting good work and green for 'Action'. The children are now taking ownership of the scheme and if you come into school I do ask the children to explain it to you as you look at their books.

Several exciting projects are in the pipeline including, as you know, the refurbishment of both the libraries. We have also arranged for a scooter parking block to be installed so we look forward to children scooting to school.

On not such good note, you may know, a child in Year 6 was involved in a road accident on Monday. I am pleased and thankful to be able to tell you that the child involved is alright and although he received hospital treatment he is now back at school. We know that the children in KS2, when they are old enough, enjoy walking home together. However we are reminding them in quite strong terms that they must be very careful and sensible when walking home so that they stay safe. It is natural for the children to get very excited when they are together and to stop concentrating on staying safe but it is vital that we as a school and you as parents remind them of this and we hope that you will reinforce this at home.

As you know homework is available on the internet. If your children cannot access it, please let the class teacher know so a paper copy can be supplied.

I am very much looking forward to the next half term which is always a busy one with Christmas including the Fayre, non-uniform day and of course the school play for Christmas.

We would like to inform our new families and remind all parents that when events such as consultation evenings and discos are held at the school parking is available in the junior playground. Please try to leave the car at home if possible, if not please park in the playground to avoid congestion on The Rutts and ensure that you do not block access for our neighbours.

As you know we are now using School Gateway, if you're having trouble logging in please contact the school office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. who will try to assist you.



Our new benches

We would like to thank Mr Seelan for providing colourful new benches in the Infant playground. The children are enjoying using them very much.

Have a very good half term and I look forward to seeing you back on the 2nd November.

Penny Barefoot
Headteacher

Friends of the School

The children had a great time last night at the Fancy Dress Disco - it was lovely to see how much effort they made with their costumes and dance moves!

The school is having a non-uniform day on Friday 13th November to raise money for Children In Need. An email with more information will be sent out after half term.

We are now busy planning the Christmas Fair taking place on Saturday 5th December which is scheduled to be a fun event for all the family. There will be a Christmas Market, stalls selling gifts, games, a raffle with some amazing prizes as well as Santa's Grotto! Our aim this year is to raise money to help towards building a new library for the school which will be a place where the children will feel inspired and enjoy spending time.

We are organising further fund raising events throughout the year so keep an eye on what's coming up!

Thank you for your support

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DIARY DATES

AUTUMN 2015

26 - 30 October	Half Term
5 November	Individual & Sibling Photographs
24 November	Year 1 & 2 trip to The Queen's Hat at The Barbican
26 November	Year 5 walk to Bushey High Street
4 December	Reception Dress Rehearsal
5 December	[FOS] Christmas Fair
8 December	Reception Christmas Play
9 December	Reception Christmas Play (1)
10 December	Year 1 & 2 Dress Rehearsal
11 December	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Play
14 December	Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs - Radlett Centre (KS2)
14 December	KS1 Christmas Party
18 December	Autumn Term ends 2pm finish

SPRING 2016

5 January	Spring Term begins
2 February	Year 4 trip to Roald Dahl & Tring Museum
15 - 19 February	Half Term
25 - 26 February	Book Fair
17 March	Year 5 trip to Epping Forest Field Centre (Loughton Brook)
25 - 28 March	Easter Weekend
1 April	Spring Term ends

SUMMER 2016

18 April	Inset Day
19 April	Summer Term begins
22 April	Year 4 Swimming 1
25 - 29 April	Year 6 Boreatton Park Trip
25 April	Year 2 trip to Clay Lane
29 April	Year 4 Swimming 2
2 May	May Day Bank Holiday
6 May	Year 4 Swimming 3
13 May	Year 4 Swimming 4
13 May	Year 1 trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum
18 - 20 May	Year 5 Hayling Island Trip
20 May	Year 4 Swimming 5
27 May	Year 4 Swimming 6
30 May - 3 June	Half Term
6 June	Inset Day
7 June	Inset Day (1)
10 June	Year 4 Swimming 7
17 June	Year 4 Swimming 8
24 June	Year 4 Swimming 9
1 July	Year 4 Swimming 10
7 July	Year 2 trip to Reveley Lodge
8 July	Year 4 Swimming 11
15 July	Year 4 Swimming 12
15 July	Year 1 & 2 trip to Paradise Wildlife Park
22 July	Summer Term ends