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Birley Spa Primary Academy
A L.E.A.D. Academy

Newsletter

4th November 2022



School Start Times:

I really enjoy being able to say good morning to so many of our families at the gate each morning so please keep saying hello when you see me. As you know, learning for all children starts at 8.45am and the vast majority of children are in school at this time which is fantastic. Children can be in school from 8:40am to make sure they can have a calm start to the day, so please feel free to bring them onto the school site from 8:30am.

To make sure that the site is secure as quickly as possible after the school day has started, the gates to the KS1 and 2 playground will be closed at 8.55am. Anyone coming later than this time should come to the main office entrance to be dropped off. Thank you for all of your continued support in promoting and maintaining good attendance at Birley Spa Primary Academy.

Road Safety

As Autumn & Winter descend on us and the clocks have gone back we are delivering our Be Bright Be Seen message, to keep our children and their families safer through the darker months.

Please follow the link to a short presentation about road safety in winter which has also been shared with children in class:

<https://sysrp.co.uk/News/BBBS2021A>

Bonfire Night

We hope you all have a wonderful Bonfire weekend, however, please remember to be safe and never play with fireworks.

Sheffield United Womens Football

If you would like free tickets for the match on Sunday 20th November, please ensure you notify the school office by 9:00am on Monday 7th November.

Children in Need – Friday 18th November

We will be holding a dress down day; children are invite to come to school wearing spots or bright colours in return for a donation to this worthy cause.

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 8th

December

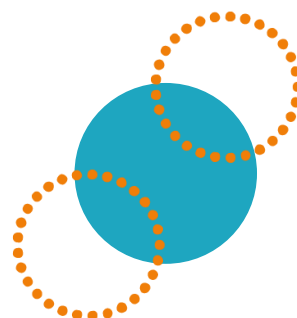
If you have any good condition outgrown Christmas Jumpers that you would like to donate to school, please drop them in at the office by Friday 25th November. These will then be on sale from the pop up café on Friday 2nd December for £1.00 which will also add to our fund raising.

School Photos

We would like to remind parents that the individual school photos will be taken on Wednesday 16th November. If this is a PE day, please ensure your child is wearing their school jumper over the top of their PE kit.

Flu Immunisations

The school nursing team will be in school on 18th November to carry out flu immunisations.



House Points:

Our children have been amazing gaining so many house points – Well Done to Emerald team with 3116 points!

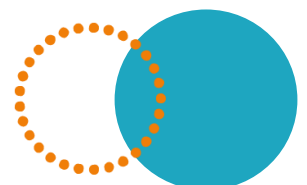
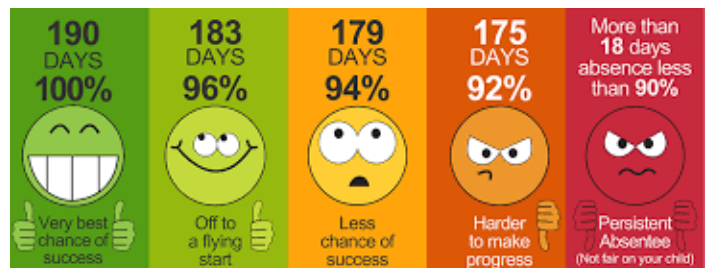


Attendance Figures 31st October – 4th November

Class	Attendance %
Whirlow	96.1%
Heeley	90.9%
Sheaf	94.4%
Endcliffe	92.6%
Norfolk	97.6%
Crucible	84.6%
Lyceum	92.6%
Kelham	90.7%
Weston	89.8%
Millennium	95.8%
Graves	96%
Bolsover	95%
Peveril	93.8%
Shirebrook	91.4%
School Total	92.9%

Every Monday, we will have an Aspiration Assembly to celebrate the House Points and attendance from the previous week to showcase our vital school values.

Please look out for our updated weekly House Point achievement board and our Attendance Trophy winners who achieve the highest attendance over our 96% target.



STAR OF THE WEEK

Heeley	Clarabella – for showing resilience and creativity in PE when making new shapes with her body. Hollie-Mae – for showing empathy and being a kind and considerate friend.
Whirlow	Parker – for his endeavour and hard work and using his perfect pencil grip to form his letters. Isla – for her aspiration and hard work in applying her phonics in her reading and writing.
Sheaf	Theo – for showing endeavour and striving to achieve his best in all areas of his learning. Keep it up, Theo. Amelie – for her hard work and determination with her writing this week. Amelie has been focusing closely on her sentence structure.
Endcliffe	Maxwell – for great teamwork when supporting peers using ‘paint’ during computing. Darcie – for showing aspiration by having excellent learning behaviours during carpet time.
Norfolk	Evie – for creativity in her writing in literacy. Louie – for showing empathy to a new member of staff.
Lyceum	Marnie – for showing a positive attitude towards learning this week and for displaying resilience with some tricky maths. Ava-Mai – for showing endeavour in all areas of learning this week and aspiring to do your best. Your hand has been up lots this week!
Crucible	Elijah & Ben – for aspiration in your writing. for identifying which area you need to improve and work on.
Weston	Oliver – for showing aspiration with positive learning behaviours and working more independently. Jason – for settling into year 4 well and showing aspiration with his learning.
Kelham	Cohan - for doing the right thing, talking to adults and making a very good choice. Jayden – for a great start in life at Birley Spa, fantastic endeavour and amazing maths skills.
Graves	Alice – for always working so well with others and setting such a good example of teamwork to her peers. Ella – for aspiring to do her best in every lesson, particularly in Maths!
Millennium	Rylan – for showing great confidence and teamwork during class discussions. It is great to see you answering questions and sharing opinions. Everlyn – for aspiring to do her best in all subjects and for always having a smile whilst working. Great role model.
Bolsover	Imogen – for being positive during Maths when faced with challenges. Your problem solving skills are improving! Well done. Max – for showing determination in class and engaging in all lessons. Well done!
Peveril	Logan & Jaya – for accessing resources to aid his learning.
Shirebrook	Finlay – Demonstrating a range of school values by showing restraint in stressful situations.

Dates for the Diary

16 th November	Individual School Photographs
18 th November	Flu Immunisations
2 nd December	Christmas Service at Spa View Church
8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
14 th December	Christmas Dinner Day
28 th November	Enterprise Week
12 th – 16 th December	Christmas Events – further information to follow
12 th December	Meet the Teacher – New Topics
19 th December – 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays
3 rd February	Y5 Young Voices Concert
13 th – 17 th February	Half Term – School Closed
20 th February	Inset Day – School Closed
27 th March	Meet the Teacher – New Topics
28 th & 30 th March	Parents Evening
31 st March	Easter Service at Spa View Church
3 rd – 14 th April	Easter Holidays – School Closed
17 th April	Inset Day – School Closed
1 st May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
8 th May – 11 th May	SATS Week – Y6
15 th – 19 th May	SATS Week – Y2
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half Term – School Closed
9 th June	Y6 Crucial Crew Visit
12 th – 18 th June	Phonics Assessment Week
3 rd July	Enterprise Week
11 th July	Sports Day – Y1 & Y2 / Y3 & Y4
12 th July	Sports Day – EYFS
13 th July	Sports Day - Y5 & Y6
14 th July	Reports Sent Home
17 th July	Summer Fayre
21 st July	Whole School Family Picnic