

# **NEWSLETTER**

14th July 2023





## Year 4 enrichment visit:

This week, our Year 4 children had a visit from Mrs Sittar, a Higher Level Teaching Assistant from Edna G Olds Academy. This visit was totally engaging and a really fascinating lesson around the value of pilgrimage to the Hajj as a Pillar of Islam. Our children really enjoyed meeting Mrs Sittar.

"It was a pleasurable experience to teach the Year 4 children an R.E lesson all about the Hajj pilgrimage. The children were fully engaged and were intrigued to find why it's such an important event for Muslims around the world. They were able to find similarities with other religions too and understand why a pilgrimage is an uplifting experience for many." Mrs. Sittar.

## LIFESTYLE OPPORTUNITY CLUBS:

Our Lifestyle Opportunity clubs will run until Thursday AM for First Aid Club. **All other Lifestyle clubs will run until Wednesday 19**<sup>th</sup> **July.** The clubs will not take place on Thursday and Friday next week. We will let you know about clubs for September very soon – we've been delighted that so many children have taken up this fantastic offer.





## **Uniform Orders:**

A reminder to parents that ALL uniform order forms must be completed and handed into the school office by **Wednesday 19**<sup>th</sup> **July.** Order forms can be collected from our office staff based in our Nursery. All pupil premium school uniform orders can be collected from the Summer Fayre, in the dining hall.

## **Inclusion Provision**

Please see link below for our provision offer for children - we hope you enjoy seeing how Birley Spa's provision encourages all children to shine. <a href="https://www.birleyspaacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/the-birley-spa-offer.mp4">https://www.birleyspaacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/the-birley-spa-offer.mp4</a>



In September, we are delighted to be gaining two sports mentors, Mr. Greenidge and Mr. Watkinson, who between them have backgrounds in psychology, football, sports coaching and personal training as well working with children and adults with emotional needs. As part of the Brighter Futures Company's development, Mr. Hockham will return to work with Nottingham schools, so we thank him for his hard work and the support given at Birley Spa.

In September, Mrs. Gibson will resume the role of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENCO), working alongside Mrs. Horsfield, who continues to drive practice and provision in the IR. We will also continue the range of extended services we offer in school, such as working with Rowan Outreach, Educational Psychologists, Ryegate, Attendance and Inclusion Social Worker, MAST, Speech and Language practitioners, etc. Miss Grimes has decided to take up a part time role in another school next year, but we'd like to thank her for her work since joining us in February.

House Name:	Total House Points:
Diamond	9717
Emerald	9528
Ruby	9681
Sapphire	9987

## House Points

With only one week left, the race is on! We can't wait to see which House comes out on top!





BIRLEY SPA SCHOOL

ENTRY **▲ ALL WELCOME** 

# Birley Spa's Whole School Picnic

Parents/Carers are granted to take their child/children home early, after the picnic if they wish. School will remain open as normal for those children who remain at school after the picnic.



# **Weekly Attendance**



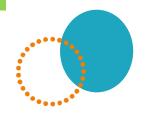
## 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

EYFS	Heeley	88.2%
EYFS	Whirlow	91.2%
Y1	Sheaf	89.2%
Y1/Y2	Endcliffe	93.5%
Y2	Norfolk	93.6%
Y3	Crucible	91.5%
Y3	Lyceum	92.2%
Y4	Kelham	93.2%
Y4	Weston	92.5%
Y5	Millennium	90.2%
Y5	Graves	92.4%
Y6	Bolsover	93.2%
Y6	Peveril	93.2%
Y3/Y6	Shirebrook	87.2%
Whole School Attendance 91.6%		91.6%

Remember to be in school every day to make the most of our Summer activities.

At Birley Spa Primary Academy we are committed to helping all pupils to achieve their full potential. Good attendance is a key factor in raising pupils' attainment and supporting their personal development. Whilst it is appreciated that children are ill from time to time, please think carefully before allowing your child to be absent from school. The chart below provides an indication of how just a few days absence can significantly impact a child's overall attendance percentage and impede their learning:

Description	Attendance	Whole Days Lost	Lost Hours of Learning
Excellent	100 – 99%	0 – 2	0 – 10
Good	98 – 96%	4 – 7.5	20 – 37.5
Requires Improvement	95 – 91%	9.5 – 17	47.5 – 85
Persistent Absentee	90 – 86%	<b>19 – 27</b>	95 – 135
Critical	85 – 80%	28.5 – 38	142.5 – 190



# STAR OF THE WEEK 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Heeley	Carter – <b>Empathy</b> and following the school rules.	Dylan – <b>Resilience</b> and <b>Endeavour</b> during sports day.	
Whirlow	Alfie – His <b>Resilience</b> and independence.	Ellie-Mae – Showing <b>Aspiration</b> and a 'can do' attitude in her writing.	
Sheaf	Layla – Always showing <b>Aspiration</b> in lessons and trying her hardest with her learning.	Kyla – Showing <b>Empathy</b> and always caring for those around her.	
Endcliffe	William – <b>Endeavour</b> – William comes into class ready to learn and to achieve his best.	Harlow – <b>Resilience</b> – Harlow has really stuck out this week for trying really hard in all lessons and not giving up.	
Norfolk	Max – Showing <b>Creativity</b> in his artwork for enterprise day.	Tiffany – Always displaying great <b>Teamwork</b> and being a <b>Role Model</b> with her manners and enthusiasm.	
Lyceum	Caelan – Showing <b>all the school values</b> and having a positive attitude towards his learning all week.	Alarnie – Showing true <b>Endeavour</b> and <b>Resilience</b> with your writing.	
Crucible	Archie – Ray – <b>Endeavour</b> in writing and Art this week. You have achieved some amazing Artwork and descriptive writing.	Remarni – <b>Aspiration</b> in writing. You wanted to make your description of what happened in Pompeii vivid for the reader.	
Weston	Chance - Showing <b>Aspiration</b> and <b>Resilience</b> in Maths	Golnoush - Using resources to independently edit and improve her writing.	
Kelham	Isabella – Identifying that her handwriting could be improved and <b>Endeavouring</b> with this in every single lesson	Osca – Showing <b>Aspiration</b> in RE, very well thought out questions, fantastic general knowledge.	
Graves	Sana – Showing <b>Empathy</b> and <b>Tolerance</b> towards other children around school.	Coleby – Showing <b>Resilience</b> and <b>Endeavour</b> in his writing.	
Millennium	Rylan – Being an <b>Aspirational</b> writer and for showing <b>Resilience</b> with his Maths work.	Max – Showing <b>Resilience</b> and <b>Aspiration</b> in all his lessons, every week.	
Bolsover	To all of Bolsover Class – Showing <b>all of the school values</b> throughout the year. You all represented our school well during your transition days!		
Peveril	To all of Peveril Class - Showing <b>all of the school values</b> throughout the year. You all represented our school well during your transition days!		
Shirebrook	Finlay - for great <b>Teamwork</b> during sports day. It was fantastic to see him participating, communicating with unfamiliar peers and trying his best - well done Finlay!	Kian - for <b>Resilience</b> during sports day. He overcame some challenges, participated sensibly and tried really hard!	

# Dates for the Diary

17 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Toddler Group – 9:30 – 10:30am
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents – 1:30pm
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Whole School Family Picnic
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term
4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Inset Days – School Closed
6 <sup>th</sup> September	School Reopens to children

