



Newsletter

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Autumn
Term
Newsletter
10th
September
2021

Dear families,

We have had a fantastic week. All the children have started school with such a positive attitude and a big smile on their face. All of our new children are settling in well too.

Here are some photos of each class from this week:



Year R children being 'tested' for their bike license in Willow class.



Year 2 children in Beech class doing an improvisation activity designed to promote the idea that there is not always a right answer.



Year 3 and 4 in Holly class researching volcanoes.



Holly class have been finding out what they know about the Romans and what they would like to know.



Year 5 and 6 in Silver Birch class learning about character traits needed to be an Arctic explorer.



The Year R children had some time with their Year 6 buddies today.



Children enjoying the new playground surface at playtime.

Our Curriculum

We have changed our topic approach to learning with each class focusing on a theme that promotes our vision characteristics and teaching the National Curriculum through the theme.

This term Willow, Beech and Silver Birch are exploring 'We Are Friends', focusing on being: able to embrace diversity and difference, kind and caring, and sociable. Holly are exploring 'We Are Achievers,' focusing on being successful, physically and mentally healthy and knowledgeable. The teachers will send home more information about the subjects they are teaching this term soon.

We are continuing with promoting a growth mindset, using the Learning Pit and help children to self-regulate and understand differences through the Zones of Regulation – please see our website for more information.

After school clubs

These start next week except for football which start the week after if enough children sign up. Clubs are for Y1-Y6 children unless otherwise stated.

Monday – Brighton and Hove football

Tuesday - Football development with Mr Pitt for Y4 and above

Wednesday - Karate

Thursday – Dance and Gardening (KS2) (no more space), Hotline to Heaven is on a Thursday lunchtime. Please speak with Zoe if you have any queries about clubs.

Celebration Assembly

We held our first Celebration Assembly this morning since March 2020. It has been wonderful to see all the children together in the hall this week. We reminded ourselves what we do in Celebration Assembly and the children listened and took part brilliantly. We presented oak leaves and held the values raffle. If your child has gained any certificates or badges in out-of-school clubs they can ask to share them in this assembly. We plan to invite parents to the assembly after half term. Here is Holly class at the front for their oak leaf.



Harvest Service

We will hold our Harvest Service in St Mary Magdalene Church on Tuesday 28th September at 9.15. All families are welcome to join us. We are collecting food donations (nothing perishable) for the Haywards Heath Food Bank. Please give any donations to school from Wednesday 22nd.

Forest School

Forest School is starting again next week and will be on Friday afternoons for an hour for each year group. This term Year 3 and 4 will be doing it, Year 5 and 6 will do it in the spring term and Y2 in the summer term (Year 2 will be in two groups). We are

able to use the PE and Sport Premium funding for this provision which the children love.

Covid-19 preventative measures

Please continue to be vigilant for any possible COVID symptoms. **If your child has any possible symptoms please do not send them to school and arrange for them to have a PCR test.** Only send them to school if this test is negative. Even though the NHS site is stating a persistent cough, high temperature or loss of smell or taste are the main symptoms please be cautious if your child has cold symptoms. Please phone Zoe if you are unsure.

School Gateway

Thank-you to those families who are using the School Gateway app. If you have not yet downloaded this, please do, as we can send texts with no cost to us – without the app we are charged for each text we send. The app can be found here: <https://login.schoolgateway.com/0/auth/register>

Bolney Horticultural Society Summer Show

We hope that some children are entering the summer show, which is tomorrow. Saturday 11th September. Children can show their creativity and take part in the show by making a bug hotel or an imaginative display of live microgreens. Entries can be submitted in the morning.

Our values

We are constantly on the lookout for any of our children or staff who go out of their way to show our values of Love, Honesty, Respect and Resilience. A raffle ticket is completed when we see this. Each Friday we randomly select two raffle tickets and award a cup (for the week) and small gift (to keep) to whoever has been selected.

This week the values trophies were presented to Daniel and Amalie who both showed love through being caring and kind to others.



Diary Dates Autumn Term

Harvest Service

Tuesday 28th September 9.15 in church

Holly Class trip

Tuesday 2nd November

INSET days 2021-22

Monday 28th February 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Monday 4th July 2022

Additional holiday day

In lieu of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee extended bank holiday
22nd July 2022

Thank- you for your continued support with all that we do and we wish you an enjoyable weekend.

**Mrs Kenny and all staff at
Bolney CEP School**