

Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,

We hope you all have had an enjoyable summer. It has been so lovely to see everyone this week, especially the children's smiling faces!

The children have settled into their new year groups really well. Every class has new children join them this year and the new Reception children are with us for each morning this week and are making friends quickly. Both them, and their Year 6 buddies, are really enjoying time together.

The children have started their topics. Willow and Beech children are learning about themselves in their 'Incredible Me' topic. Holly class is learning about the Stone Age and Silver Birch class is learning about the Egyptians this term.

New Staff

We have welcomed two new members of staff to our wonderful and amazing team. Mrs Julie Green is working three days a week as a Sports Teaching Assistant and will be based in Holly class initially.



Mrs Green was previously a secondary school teacher in London and brings lots of experience and knowledge to

share with us. She will be taking children to sporting events and supporting them with their learning and playtime activities.

Mrs Caroline Beart is working each day as one of our midday meal supervisors.



Mrs Beart knows most of the children already and is looking after the children while they eat their lunch.

Please welcome our new staff and parents and introduce yourself to them.

School Building

Mrs Lewry has been busy over the summer holidays painting corridors and the toilets as well as lots of cleaning and mending. Also we got some of the outside woodwork was painted.

Y6 Leadership Roles

Next week the Senior Leadership Team will be deciding the roles for Year 6 to further develop their leadership skills. The Year 6 children will then need to apply for the role/s they would like. All staff will be looking out for which children are good role models before the roles are awarded at the end of the month.

Meet the Teacher

The Meet the Teacher meetings are in the week commencing 17th September. Each class teacher will outline the planned learning for the term and talk about anything specific for each class. Please do attend these if possible – all the meetings start at 2.30pm and will end at 3pm.

Willow - Monday 17th Sept
Silver Birch – Tuesday 18th Sept
Beech – Wednesday 19th Sept
Holly – Thursday 20th Sept
Each class's topic web will also be put on our website.

Parent Teacher Consultations

We are holding the Parent Teacher Consultations early again this year as it was really beneficial to talk through targets with parents last year. These will be held on Tuesday 2nd October and Thursday 4th October from 3.15 until 6pm. Sheets to sign up for one of the 10 minutes slots will be available from Monday 10th Sept outside the office.

Home Learning

Following the consultation on home learning last term we are reviewing our policy and will share this with you as soon as it is ready. Home learning has been set for Y2 - Y6 today.

Help is Needed Volunteers

If you would like to help with reading or in class please do let Zoe know, this can either be on a regular basis or just occasionally. There will be a meeting for all volunteers just after 9am on Tuesday 18th Sept to talk through things like safeguarding procedures and confidentiality.

Expanding Horizons and Inspiring Children – Adults Wanted!

We would like the children to learn about what inspires adults and what type of things they do. If you would like to share:

- a specific experience,
- a skill,
- the skills you need for work,
- and/or what you do at work, we would very much like to hear from you! You could talk with just a group of children or a class.
 Also if you know of anyone who is not a parent who would be willing to come and talk with the children please do let Zoe know.

Friends of Bolney

The Friends of Bolney have already been busy with providing tea, scones and fruit after school yesterday for parents and children to encourage more parents to come along to events and meetings. The next meeting is on **Tuesday 11**th **September at 8pm** in the Eight Bells. Please do attend if possible as there is a lot to talk about.

Horticultural Society Summer Show

Please support the show tomorrow (8th Sept) at the Rawson Hall from 2.30pm. Any entries for the competitions need to be at the hall between 9 and 10.30am. The trophies will be awarded at 4pm. Each class created vegetable and flower animals today ready for the show so go along to see how we do!

Meetings about National Curriculum Expectations

We will hold meeting for parents to talk through the National Curriculum expectations after half term. The parents who attended last year found these very helpful to please try and attend if possible. the meetings are on: Y1 - Wednesday 31st October Y2 – Thursday 1st November Y3/4 – Tuesday 6th November Y5/6 – Wednesday 7th November

Workshops

Phonics

Phonics workshops will be held on Tuesday 6th Nov at 9am and repeated at 6pm on Wednesday 7th November. There is no need to book, please just turn up.

Maths

We will be holding maths workshops in the week beginning 19th November – more details will be available soon.

Please let us know if there are any other workshops you would find helpful.

Trips and Visitors

Monday 10th September
Silver Birch Visitor: The History
Man – Egyptians
Tuesday 11th September
Lego Computing Workshops –
Y1-Y6
Wednesday 12th September
Holly Class – Butser Farm

Key dates Meet the Teacher

Willow - Monday 17th Sept Silver Birch – Tuesday 18th Sept Beech – Wednesday 19th Sept Holly – Thursday 20th Sept

Harvest Service

St Mary Magdalene Church tbc –around the end of Sept / beginning of Oct

Bikeability

Y6 every afternoon in the week commencing 24th September

Adventure Day

KS2 cross curricular adventure day Monday 1st October

Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs
Tuesday 2nd October

Autumn half term

Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October 2018

INSET

Monday 29th October

Open Morning

Wednesday 1st November 9.30-12md

National Curriculum Expectations Meetings

Y1 - Wednesday 31st October Y2 - Thursday 1st November Y3/4 - Tuesday 6th November Y5/6 - Wednesday 7th November

Phonics Workshops

Tuesday 6th November 9am Wednesday 7th November 6pm

Maths workshops - TBA W/c 19th November

End of Autumn Term

Last day Wednesday 19th December 2018

Spring Term Starts

Thursday 3rd January 2019

Spring Half Term

Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February 2019

End of Spring Term

Friday 5th April 2019

Summer Term Starts

Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Summer Half Term

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2019

End of Summer Term

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

2018-19 Inset Days

Monday 29th October 2018 Monday 25th February 2019 Monday 3rd June 2019 Monday 8th July 2019

Thank-you all for your continued support with all that we do.

Mrs Kenny and all staff at Bolney CEP School