NEWSLETTER

10th March 2024



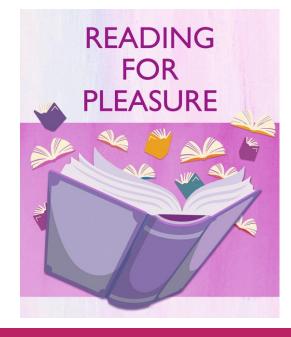
Message from Mrs Gibson

Well done to Class K for achieving 100% attendance! This shows a fantastic commitment to their learning and the children have been recognised with a special treat as a reward.

We've been delighted with the attitudes of our Year Sixes as they complete the final preparations for their SATs. True role models to us all! Good luck next week Year 6!

We're delighted to be offering discos for the children again this year. You will receive a letter about these so please sign up if your child is interested in attending. These are a lovely treat for the children to enjoy and they provide another opportunity for children to socialise with their friends.

Our Year 1s have been making huge progress with their phonics learning and I've been thrilled to see how well they're doing with their reading skills and their reading for pleasure. We know that early enjoyment of reading is one of the biggest indicators of academic success, as well as developing a fantastic imagination, so please support your child, whatever their age, to read each day for a few minutes. It really does help!





STAR OF THE WEEK 6th May 2024– 10th May 2024

Class:		
Α	Brooke – For showing resilience and being brave in her learning.	Freddie – For his aspiration and enthusiasm in his phonics group this week.
В	Ella- For showing great enthusiasm in all her learning.	Liliana – For showing all school values . Following instruction and classroom expectations
С	Marley - Showing resilience and a can-do attitude in Maths. He has also demonstrated amazing racquet skills in PE.	Eli - Showing resilience and aspiration in class and always being ready to learn.
D	Riley – For endeavour you have learnt so many of your phonics sounds now, WOW!	Beryl – For always showing all the school values . You give 100% every day.
E	Harper - for showing empathy and tolerance and looking after your friends.	Amelia - for showing endeavor in your learning. You show good learning behaviours and you are always ready to learn.
F	Oliver – For empathy and tolerance . For your amazing attitude and strength of character when faced with difficult situations. Excellent attitude Ollie!	Lille – For creativity . For your wonderful insight and view of the world. I particularly admire how you explain your understanding of the world around you. Keep up those great ideas!!
G	James – For endeavour – James is always trying his hardest to show his brilliant maths skills.	Poppy – For resilience and endeavour – Poppy has been working so hard this week to focus on her work and help others too.
Н	Caitlin - for showing resilience within her learning, particularly within in her writing.	Caelan - for showing great aspiration this week and having a positive attitude to learning.
Γ	Lexi - Showing aspiration and resilience with her times tables, the hard work is showing in her TTRockstars scores.	Isaac - Aspiration and creativity in his narrative writing.
J	Alex – For showing all the school values and going above and beyond in class.	Abbie – For showing all the school values ! Always ready to learn.
K	James - For your determination and resilience in maths this week! You have worked really hard with understanding how to measure and draw different types of angles	Chloe - for your confidence in sharing ideas in front of your peers. You have been using great SLAM sentences in maths this week
L	Evie – For being a role model to her classmates with her enthusiasm and readiness to learn.	Riley – For endeavouring to always stay focused on his work and do his best even when he finds the learning tricky.
M	Alice W – For always demonstrating all our school values.	Alice F – For resilience in her learning and for being respectful at all times.
N	Ivan – For endeavour – Ivan has had an excellent attitude towards learning and general school life. He has faced some challenges and reacted particularly	McKenzie – For endeavour – McKenzie has tried so hard in maths this week learning about multiplying by 10 and dividing by 10. Well done!

positively to them. Well done!

Weekly Attendance

6th May – 10th May 2024 Whole School target: 96%



EYFS	Α	87.5%
EYFS	В	93.1%
Y1/Y2	С	90.6%
Y1/Y2	D	92.7%
Y1/Y2	E	81.5%
Y3	F	88.8%
Y3	G	95.4%
Y4	Н	85.3%
Y4	1	95.3%
Y5	J	94.9%
Y5	K	100%
Y6	L	92.5%
Y6	M	92.8%
Y3/Y6	N	94.4%
Whole School Attendance 91.77%		

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. In line with DfE and Local Authority policy, we do not authorise holidays taken in school time and we work with families to do everything they can to support their child to attend school every day. 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%	19 – 27	95 – 135
Critical	85 – 80%	28.5 – 38	142.5 – 190



Dates for the Diary

Date:	<u>Event:</u>
13 th – 16 th May	KS2 SATs
17 th May	Y3 healthy snacks project (parents are invited into school from 2.50pm)
20 th May	Y1 and Y2 spring disco
21 st May	Y5 and Y6 spring disco
21 st May	Y3 Weston park museum visit
22 nd May	Y3 and Y4 spring disco
27 th May – 31 st May 2024 3 rd June	Half term Holiday INSET day – School closed
4 th June 2024	School Reopens for children
14 th June 2024	Father's Day breakfast 8am, 8:30am and 9am
17 th June 2024	Father's Day breakfast 8am, 8:30am and 9am
19 th – 21 st June 2024	Y6 Kingswood Residential visit
26 th June 2024	EYFS sports day – 9am Year 1 and 2 sports day – 1.30pm
28 th June 2024	Year 3 and 4 sports day – 9am Year 5 and 6 sports day – 1.30pm
1 st – 5 th July 2024	Y6 bike ability
17 th July 2024	Reports to go home
22 nd July 2024	Summer Fayre
23 rd July 2024	Last day of the Academic Year
2 nd /3 rd September 2024	INSET Days – School closed