



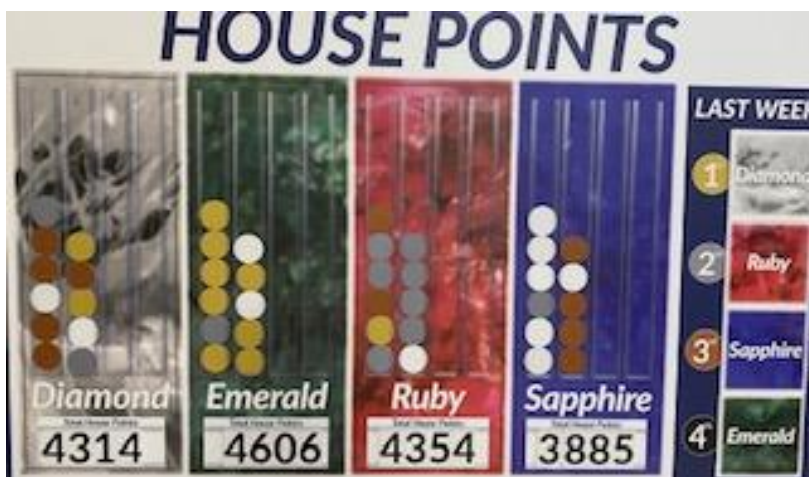
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Newsletter

2nd December 2022



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



We have had another great week earning house points for our teams.

Emerald are now jumping ahead with 4606 points.

Let's see which team will be in the lead before we break up for the Christmas holidays!

Award for Exceptional Handwriting

Well done to our pupils who have achieved an award for exceptional handwriting this week

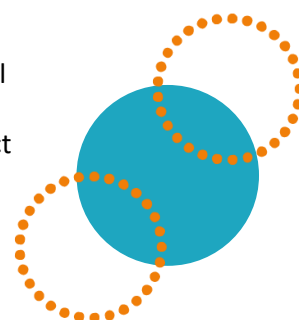
- Mia in Year 6
- Khloe in Year 5
- Oliver in Year 4
- Elizabeth in Year 3
- James in Year 2
- Hattie in Year 1
- Marianna – FS2



Learner's Handbook

Lots of our children are on track for Bronze Learners awards. We cannot wait to celebrate any child who achieves 10 signatures under our school values.

If your child does anything out of school that can show evidence of our school values, please do not hesitate to contact the school with your evidence.





Road Safety

Our PCSO is working with our children next Friday to assess the volume of traffic and road safety and teach them how to use hand held speed cameras to investigate average speeds of vehicles on this busy road. Our Safeguarding Stewards will update you in a few weeks.

Following the meeting that was held last week, please see the link below as this was reported in the Sheffield Star.

<https://www.thestar.co.uk/news/politics/council/mums-plead-for-crossing-near-two-sheffield-schools-after-boy-is-knocked-down-3934608>

Staffing Updates

We would like to thank Mr Hogben for his time at Birley Spa as he leaves to start the next chapter of his career outside teaching. We wish him luck in the future. Mrs Unwin will continue to teach Endcliffe class on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday working closely with Mrs Allan who will continue to teach on Thursday and Fridays.

Our new IR Leader, with responsibility for SEND, Mrs Horsfield was delighted to meet so many parents of the children she will be working with in January and wanted to pass on her thanks for making her feel so welcome.

Parental Volunteer

We would like to thank those of you that have already completed your form to volunteer. If you would like to volunteer please complete a form from the school office by Friday 9th December, as we would like to have as many volunteers as possible before we arrange a meeting with parent/carer.

Christmas

If you would like to donate Christmas raffle prizes or good quality soft toys please drop them off at the school office.

Also if you would like to donate cakes or buns for our refreshment stall at the Christmas Fayre, please bring these to the school office by 9am on Friday 9th December.

Christmas Performances:

All Christmas concerts tickets will be sent to your child's classroom to collect. Please bring your ticket when you arrive to the performance.

Refreshments will be available before the performances along with a raffle.

Healthy Snacks

At Birley Spa we recognise the importance of a healthy lifestyle and diet and understand that establishing a balanced diet in childhood helps to promote healthy eating for life.

We encourage children to bring in a healthy snack for morning break. Below is a list of healthy snack suggestions to give an idea of what to send in with your child.

Fruit and vegetables

Granola bars

Rice cakes

Malt loaf

Crackers

Breadsticks

Children in EYFS have a fresh fruit choice available at break times.

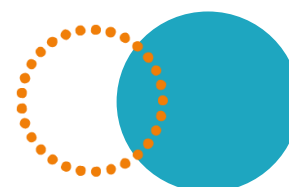
Children should not be bringing in chocolate bars, sweets or crisps.

Please click here for healthy snack ideas.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/food/articles/school_lunch_and_snack_ideas

Nut-free

Although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed. Birley Spa Primary Academy aims to be a Nut-Free school. This is to reduce the risk to those children and adults who may suffer an anaphylactic reaction if exposed to nuts to which they are sensitive.





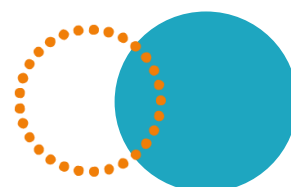
Attendance Figures

28th November – 2nd December 2022

Class	Attendance %
Whirlow	91.9%
Heeley	80.6%
Sheaf	94.8%
Endcliffe	93.6%
Norfolk	96.6%
Crucible	90.0%
Lyceum	95.2%
Kelham	91.7%
Weston	95.1%
Millennium	90.8%
Graves	92.5%
Bolsover	93.6%
Peveril	98.3%
Shirebrook	90%
School Total	92.4%

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	Georgios and Joshua – for showing great resilience when learning the words and actions for our Christmas songs.		
Whirlow	Harper – for her positive attitude to learning and her empathy when thinking about the needs of others.	Carter – for his positive attitude to all his learning.	
Sheaf	Layla – for displaying resilience within her learning even when work gets tricky. Layla never gives up and tries her absolute best.	Phoebe – for aspiring to do her best, by being ready to learn and being organised in the classroom.	
Endcliffe	Finley – for showing aspiration , asking questions to further his own understanding and sharing ideas in class.	Jaxon – for showing resilience by engaging in his learning and staying on task, even though he may find it tricky sometimes.	
Norfolk	Reggie and Darcy – for showing aspiration in all aspects of his work.		
Lyceum	Isaac – for showing resilience and endeavour during assessment week. You have remained positive throughout and tried your very best!	Alarnie – for showing empathy and looking after your friends when they are hurt or sad. You are a lovely, caring young lady!	
Crucible	Caitlin – for showing great empathy to her class mates and adults. You are always willing to help.	Scarlett – for coming into school and really trying to do her best, keep it up Scarlett!	
Weston	George – for showing endeavour through independence, positive and focus in all his learning.	Lucas – for showing aspiration and endeavour throughout his learning and demonstrating great learning behaviours.	
Kelham	Oliver – for endeavouring to produce his very best independent writing, beautiful vocabulary.	James – for really trying hard to improve his maths skills, having daily aspiration to complete challenge 2!	
Graves	Kayla – for working well as a team and helping her peers with their gymnastics routine.	Keavy – for aspiring to try her best in all her subjects and always showing readiness to learning!	
Millennium	Ella-Mae and Evelyn – for a great use of empathy within her persuasive writing. Ella made it very clear how bad the Victorian workhouses were.		
Bolsover	Daisy - for her hard work during fractions this week. Your knowledge is really improving, well done!	Darius - for his improvement and confidence in English and writing.	
Pevenil	Isabel – for amazing resilience in yoga.	Ruby - for showing great resilience and aspiration in her learning.	Isaac – for much improved aspirational attitude and empathy towards others.
Shirebrook	Renae – for showing empathy towards other children and staff.		

Dates for the Diary

7 th December	EYFS Nativity – 9:30am & 2:15pm
7 th December	How to get the most from Reading at home - 3:15pm
8 th December	Christmas Jumper Day – Donations to Save The Children
9 th December	Christmas Fayre – 2:30pm – 3:30pm
12 th December	Meet the Teacher – New Topics – 3:15pm – 3:30pm
13 th December	KS2 Christmas Performance – 9:30am & 2:00pm
14 th December	KS1 Christmas Performance – 2:00pm – 5:30pm
15 th December	KS2 Christmas Performance – 2:00pm – 5:30pm
15 th December	Christmas Dinner
16 th December	Christmas Parties – F1 – Y6
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



Meet our Safeguarding Team

**Designated safeguarding Lead &
Advanced Designated Safeguarding Lead for
L.E.A.D Academy Trust**



Mrs Cathy Gibson
Head of School

Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Melany Pemberton
Executive Headteacher
(across 2 schools)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads



Mrs Katherine Johnson
Safeguarding &
Inclusion Officer



Ms Sarah Peck
Phase Leader EYFS Lead & Designated
Child Looked After



Mr Rob Jones
Family Support Worker
Safeguarding & Attendance

Useful contact details :

Sheffield Safeguarding Hub (Referrals to social care by professionals) 0114 2734855
Sheffield City Council – Children’s Social Care – Public calls—0114 2734855 (24 hrs)
Sheffield City Council Safeguarding Children Board
www.safeguardingsheffieldchildren.org
Telephone : 0114 2734450 or email : sscb@sheffield.gov.uk

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) and Prevent, Sheffield City Council :
Hannah Appleyard, 0114 2734850

Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) Sheffield
Telephone 0114 2734855 and 101 (police)

NSPCC

*If you are an adult who wants to speak to someone you are worried about a child's safety or wellbeing but are not sure what to do, you can phone the NSPCC Free Helpline on **0800 800 5000**.*