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

Newsletter

4th November 2022



School Start Times:

I really enjoy being able to say good morning to so many of our families at the gate each morning so please keep saying hello when you see me. As you know, learning for all children starts at 8.45am and the vast majority of children are in school at this time which is fantastic. Children can be in school from 8:40am to make sure they can have a calm start to the day, so please feel free to bring them onto the school site from 8:30am.

To make sure that the site is secure as quickly as possible after the school day has started, the gates to the KS1 and 2 playground will be closed at 8.55am. Anyone coming later than this time should come to the main office entrance to be dropped off. Thank you for all of your continued support in promoting and maintaining good attendance at Birley Spa Primary Academy.

Road Safety

As Autumn & Winter descend on us and the clocks have gone back we are delivering our Be Bright Be Seen message, to keep our children and their families safer through the darker months.

Please follow the link to a short presentation about road safety in winter which has also been shared with children in class:

<https://sysrp.co.uk/News/BBBS2021A>

Bonfire Night

We hope you all have a wonderful Bonfire weekend, however, please remember to be safe and never play with fireworks.

Sheffield United Womens Football

If you would like free tickets for the match on Sunday 20th November, please ensure you notify the school office by 9:00am on Monday 7th November.

Children in Need – Friday 18th November

We will be holding a dress down day; children are invite to come to school wearing spots or bright colours in return for a donation to this worthy cause.

Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 8th

December

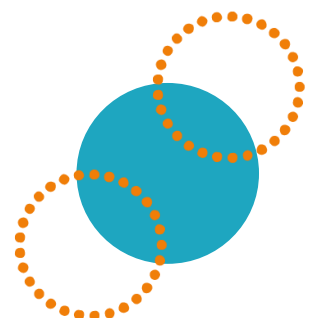
If you have any good condition outgrown Christmas Jumpers that you would like to donate to school, please drop them in at the office by Friday 25th November. These will then be on sale from the pop up café on Friday 2nd December for £1.00 which will also add to our fund raising.

School Photos

We would like to remind parents that the individual school photos will be taken on Wednesday 16th November. If this is a PE day, please ensure your child is wearing their school jumper over the top of their PE kit.

Flu Immunisations

The school nursing team will be in school on 18th November to carry out flu immunisations.



House Points:

Our children have been amazing gaining so many house points – Well Done to Emerald team with 3116 points!

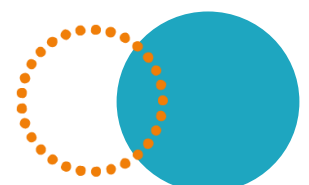
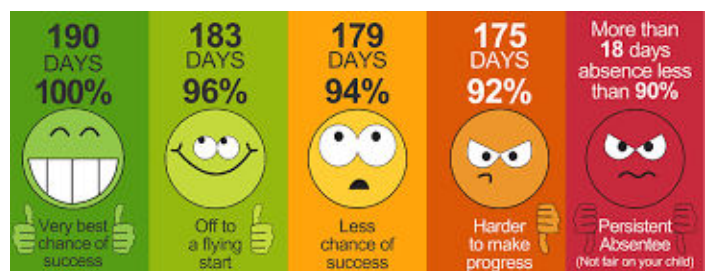


Attendance Figures 31st October – 4th November

| Class | Attendance % |
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| Whirlow | 96.1% |
| Heeley | 90.9% |
| Sheaf | 94.4% |
| Endcliffe | 92.6% |
| Norfolk | 97.6% |
| Crucible | 84.6% |
| Lyceum | 92.6% |
| Kelham | 90.7% |
| Weston | 89.8% |
| Millennium | 95.8% |
| Graves | 96% |
| Bolsover | 95% |
| Peeveril | 93.8% |
| Shirebrook | 91.4% |
| School Total | 92.9% |

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

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| Heeley | Clarabella – for showing resilience and creativity in PE when making new shapes with her body. Hollie-Mae – for showing empathy and being a kind and considerate friend. |
| Whirlow | Parker – for his endeavour and hard work and using his perfect pencil grip to form his letters. Isla – for her aspiration and hard work in applying her phonics in her reading and writing. |
| Sheaf | Theo – for showing endeavour and striving to achieve his best in all areas of his learning. Keep it up, Theo. Amelie – for her hard work and determination with her writing this week. Amelie has been focusing closely on her sentence structure. |
| Endcliffe | Maxwell – for great teamwork when supporting peers using ‘paint’ during computing. Darcie – for showing aspiration by having excellent learning behaviours during carpet time. |
| Norfolk | Evie – for creativity in her writing in literacy. Louie – for showing empathy to a new member of staff. |
| Lyceum | Marnie – for showing a positive attitude towards learning this week and for displaying resilience with some tricky maths. Ava-Mai – for showing endeavour in all areas of learning this week and aspiring to do your best. Your hand has been up lots this week! |
| Crucible | Elijah & Ben – for aspiration in your writing. for identifying which area you need to improve and work on. |
| Weston | Oliver – for showing aspiration with positive learning behaviours and working more independently. Jason – for settling into year 4 well and showing aspiration with his learning. |
| Kelham | Cohan - for doing the right thing, talking to adults and making a very good choice. Jayden – for a great start in life at Birley Spa, fantastic endeavour and amazing maths skills. |
| Graves | Alice – for always working so well with others and setting such a good example of teamwork to her peers. Ella – for aspiring to do her best in every lesson, particularly in Maths! |
| Millennium | Rylan – for showing great confidence and teamwork during class discussions. It is great to see you answering questions and sharing opinions. Everlyn – for aspiring to do her best in all subjects and for always having a smile whilst working. Great role model. |
| Bolsover | Imogen – for being positive during Maths when faced with challenges. Your problem solving skills are improving! Well done. Max – for showing determination in class and engaging in all lessons. Well done! |
| Peveril | Logan & Jaya – for accessing resources to aid his learning. |
| Shirebrook | Finlay – Demonstrating a range of school values by showing restraint in stressful situations. |

Dates for the Diary

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| 16 th November | Individual School Photographs |
| 18 th November | Flu Immunisations |
| 2 nd December | Christmas Service at Spa View Church |
| 8 th December | Christmas Jumper Day |
| 14 th December | Christmas Dinner Day |
| 28 th November | Enterprise Week |
| 12 th – 16 th December | Christmas Events – further information to follow |
| 12 th December | Meet the Teacher – New Topics |
| 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 |