

Newsletter

6th March 2023



Our children really enjoyed World Book Day and spent time reading their favourite books here are some pictures from the fantastic day!







We're delighted to give you the opportunity to sit down for an afternoon cream tea with your children to celebrate Mother's Day. We will be hosting this special treat over two days so that everyone has the opportunity to take part. Each child will be entitled to one ticket and can choose who they would like to bring – it can be any special relative.

If you would like to book tickets, our event will take place at:

2:00pm on Friday 17th March
3:10pm on Friday 17th March
2:00pm on Monday 20th March
3:10pm on Monday 20th March

Each child and adult will need a ticket, so if you have two children, you'll need 2 tickets for the children and 1 for yourself, etc. If you would like to purchase tickets, they cost £2.50 each, and can be purchased directly from the school office from Wednesday 8th March.

Please notify the office of any dietary requirements.







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Birley Spa Life Experience Opportunities Summer term 2023

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Year group	Club	Adult	Day/time	Collect from
Year ½	Storytime	Miss Ibbotson	Tuesday 3:10-3:40	Sheaf (Y1)
Year 1/2	Social skills	Miss Hurst	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Sheaf (Y1)
	through board			
	games			
Year 1/2	First Aid for	Mrs. Clayton	Thursday 8:10am	Bring children to
	beginners			Norfolk (Y2)
Year 1/2	Design Club	Mrs. Kay	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Norfolk (Y2)
Year 1/2	Sewing	Miss Grimes	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Endcliffe (Y1/2)
Year ½	Art using story	Mrs. Myers	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Sheaf (Y1/2)
	characters			
Year 1/2	Making Fresh	Mrs. Peck	Friday 3:10-3:40	Sheaf (Y1)
	Food			
Year ½	Dance	Miss Warriss	Friday 3:10-3:40	Endcliffe (Y1/2)

Year group	Club	Adult	Day/time	Collect from
Year 1,2,3	Art expression	Mrs. Hill	Monday 3:10-3:40	Lyceum (Y3)
Year 1,2,3	Enterprise	Mrs. Robinson	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Crucible (Y3)

Year group	Club	Adult	Day/time	Collect from
Year 3-6	Art expression	Mrs. Snelling	Monday 3:10-3:40	Peveril (Y6)
Year 3-6	Reading for	Mrs. Birkby	Monday 3:10-3:40	Crucible (Y3)
	pleasure			
Year 3-6	Mindfulness	Mrs. Keemer	Monday 3:10-3:40	Outdoor
				classroom on
				playground
Year 3-6	Making Fresh	Mrs. Stott	Tuesday 3:10-3:40	Kelham (Y4)
	Food			
Year 3-6	Enterprise	Mrs. Anderson	Tuesday 3:10 - 3:40	Millennium (Y5)
Year 3-6	Gardening Club	Mrs. Borrett	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Outdoor
				classroom on
				playground
Year 3-6	Makaton (sign	Mrs. Horsfield	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Main entrance
	language)			
Year 3-6	Resilience and	Miss Calvert	Thursday 3:10-3:40	Millennium (Y5)
	confidence			
Year 3-6	Design Club	Mrs. Bradley	Friday 3:10-3:40	Main Entrance
Year 3-6	Spanish	Miss Walker	Friday 3:10-3:40	Graves (Y5)

If your child would like to take up one of these amazing opportunities, at the bargain price of £1.00 per week, you will need to sign up via the letter which will be sent out next week. Please note all clubs will be on a first come, first served basis.

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Weekly Attendance 27th February - 3rd March 2023

Every Day Countr

EYFS	Heeley	89.4%
EYFS	Whirlow	93.8%
Y1	Sheaf	93%
Y1/Y2	Endcliffe	94.3%
Y2	Norfolk	92.3%
Y3	Crucible	88.8%
Y3	Lyceum	92.9%
Y4	Kelham	95.4%
Y4	Weston	95.9%
Y5	Millennium	95.8%
Y5	Graves	93.2%
Y6	Bolsover	96.8%
Y6	Peveril	92.5%
Y3/Y6	Shirebrook	92.1%
Whole School Attendance 93.3%		

Well done to Bolsolver class for achieving our school target of 96%

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. 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	
Persistant Absentee	90 — 86%	19 – 27	95 – 135	
Critical	85 – 80%	28.5 – 38	142.5 – 190	

STAR OF THE WEEK 27th February – 3rd March

Heeley	Cody – Showing a spiration during group time and independent learning time.	Brody – showing resilience in a morning when leaving mum and for joining in with group time.	
Whirlow	Pippa – Her a spiration and endeavour in her independent writing .	Marianna – Her wonderful Cceativity in making her costume for World book Day.	
Sheaf	Marley – Showing empathy and tolerance by offering your support to other children in Sheaf Class.	Phoebe – Being an aspirational learner and independently identifying areas of your work you can improve.	
Norfolk	Alina – Being a great team player, and always ready to share her learning with her classmates.	Diamond – Showing aspirational learning values by engaging enthusiastically in all his lessons.	
Endcliffe	Boe – Showing aspiration in her phonics and applying skills in her writing during English lessons . Well done Boe !	Maxwell – Showing endeavour in his learning by always being ready on time and being more productive during independent tasks.	
Lyceum	Oliver – Your amazing endeavour with your hard work and aspiration with your language and word choice.	Amelia – Showing great resilience and endeavouring to do your best. You have had a super attitude to your learning this week.	
Crucible	Jenson and Ebony – showing great creativi	i ty in your story writing.	
Weston	George – Showing creativity through his fantasy story setting .	Mila – Showing aspiration through techniques and vocabulary in her writing.	
Kelham	Ava – being really organised and creative in planning and organised the whole school bookmark competition.	Isabella – Being really organised and creative in planning and organising the whole school bookmark competition .	
Graves	John – Henry – Having such an aspirational attitude to learning, especially in writing and his timetables.	Kai – Showing endeavou r in all subjects this week and going above and beyond with his reading at home.	
Millennium	Jamie – Showing all our school values in his first few weeks of Birley Spa. You are a great addition to the class.	Dallas – Her aspiration and creativity in English you have written a fantastic leaflet about Brazil.	
Bolsover	Liam — your pie chart work in maths. You have shown aspiration by working out tricky percentages independently.	Hollie-Mai – Your great writing in English this week. You have written persuasively and shown empathy .	
Peveril	Noah – Showing good creativity and aspiration in his writing.	Loreena – Showing creativity in her writing and having high aspirations for herself.	
Shirebrook	Lacey – Endeavour – always trying her best in every lesson and having a great attitude to learning.		

Dates for the Diary

10 th March	Halle Concert – Key Stage 2	
17 th March	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (2pm & 3:10pm)	
20 th March	Mother's Day Afternoon Tea (2pm & 3:10pm)	
21 st March	Y2 SATS Meeting	
23 rd March	Easter Fayre	
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	Bank Holiday – School Closed	
9 th May – 12 th May	SATS Week – Y6	
15 th – 19 th May	SATS Week – Y2	
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half Term – School Closed	
5 th June	Inset Day – School Closed	
9 th June	Y6 Crucial Crew Visit	
$12^{th} - 18^{th}$ June	Phonics Assessment Week	
16 th June	Father's Day Celebrations	
19 th June	Father's Day Celebrations	
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	

