St Benedict Biscop Newsletter



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Value for Autumn 1: Generosity



Welcome back to all of our children and families, we hope you had a lovely summer break. Welcome to the new children to our school, you have settled in brilliantly and we are excited to be part of your school journey. It was lovely to see all the children looking so smart in their uniform and very grown up on Wednesday. Thank you parents for helping to get them ready for school. We have also welcomed some new staff to school this week, Miss Parkin in Year 5 and Miss Atkinson in Year 4. I am sure you will join me in welcoming these staff to school, I know they will love it here.

Working in partnership with parents is something we feel is key to the success of all our children. Our teachers are available every morning in classrooms, feel free to pop in you would like a quick chat. If you need a longer conversation please speak to the office who will arrange an appointment for you. I am on the playground before and after school most days, please feel free to speak to me or again speak to the office if you need a longer conversation.

Mr Brown is leading our Welcome Service in church next Friday 13th September at 9:30am, I hope we will see lots of you there.

Nut Free School

We would like to remind you that due to having a child in school with a very severe nut allergy we are a completely nut free school.

Lunchboxes/snacks should not contain any nuts or products made with nuts (i.e. peanut butter or Nutella).

Afterschool Clubs

Letters for after school clubs will be going out next week, all school run clubs will be starting week beginning Monday 16th September.

Darryl Smith will be running a football club on Thursday and running club on Friday, starting next week. These clubs will cost £3.50 per person per session or £6 per session for siblings. This money needs to be paid directly to Darryl.

Uniform & PE Kits

Please make sure all school uniform, PE kits and forest school kits are clearly named so we can return any lost property. This also includes any lunchboxes and water bottles.

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit on the correct day, if you are unsure when, ask the class teacher. Children should now be bringing their winter PE kit, which includes jogging trousers and a sweatshirt or hoodie.

Forest School

Forest school lessons will begin next week on the following days:

Monday – Reception (every week)

Tuesday - Y1/Y2 (1 hour session each every week)

Wednesday - Y3/ Y4 (alternate weeks starting with Y3 11/09/19)

Thursday - Y5/ Y6 (1 hour session each every week)

Please make sure your child brings appropriate clothing for their forest school sessions. During Autumn/Winter months:

- Warm waterproof coat
- Waterproof trousers
- Fleece/sweatshirt
- Long trousers
- Long sleeved top
- Gloves, hat and scarf
- Spare socks
- Walking boots/wellingtons/sturdy shoes

Breakfast and After School Club

If your child needs to attend breakfast or after school club please can we remind you to book them a place using ParentPay. This is so we can ensure we have sufficient staffing and resources. All bookings should be made by 3pm the day before your child is due to attend club, if not their name will not appear on the register.

To book your child into club select the breakfast and after school club payment item on ParenyPay and click 'make bookings' then choose the session you would like. Bookings can made up to a term in advance.

If you are having any problems please contact the school office who can make the booking on your behalf.

Reception Parents Lunch

Reception parents are invited to have lunch with their children on **Thursday 12**th **September** which will begin at 12noon.

Up to 2 people per child can attend. The dinner will cost £2.70 each, please pay the correct amount on ParentPay to book a place.

School Dinners

Attached is a copy of the school dinner menu, next week will be Week 1. Please be aware that this menu only goes up until the end of September, there will be a new one in October. If your child is in Nursery or KS2 school dinners cost £2.30 each and need to be paid via ParentPay. Reception and KS1 children receive universal free school meals.

Break Sales

Children in KS1 and KS2 can buy break time snacks from the kitchen if they wish. Please be aware that only a limited number of snacks are available each day and will work on a first come first serve basis.

Please see below prices:

Toast: 20p

Teacake: 30p

Crumpet: 30p

Bagel: 40p Yoghurt: 50p

Fruit Pot: 50p

Piece of Fruit: 30p

Milk: 30p Juice: 30p Water: 40p

Please see below the school calendar for the Autumn Term.

Week	Dates	Events
Week 1	Monday 2 nd September	INSET – Staff Training
	Tuesday 3 rd September	INSET – Staff Training
	Wednesday 4 th September	School Open to Pupils
Week 2	Thursday 12 th September	Reception Parents Lunch – 12:30pm
	Friday 13 th September	Welcome Service at Church – 9:30am
Week 3	Thursday 19 th September	Year 4 Bikeability Level 1
Week 6	Tuesday 8 th October	School Photographs
	Thursday 10 th October	Year 1 Parents Lunch – 12:00pm
	Friday 11 th October	Harvest Festival Service at Church – 9:30am
Week 8	Wednesday 23 rd October	Year 6 Class Worship
		Year 1 & 2 – Black Country Museum Trip
	Thursday 24 th October	Year 5 & 6 – Dudley Zoo Trip
		Year 2 Parents Lunch – 12:00pm
	Friday 25 th October	INSET – Staff Training
Half Term (Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November)		
Week 1	Monday 4 th November	School Open to Everyone
Week 2	Friday 15 th November	Children in Need
Week 3	Wednesday 20 th November	Year 3 Class Worship
	Thursday 21st November	Year 3 Parents Lunch – 12:00pm
Week 4	Friday 13 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Week 7	Wednesday 18 th December	Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast
		Christmas Dinner Day
	Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Service at Church – 9:30am
	Friday 20 th December	Break Up for Christmas
Christmas Break (Monday 23 rd December – Friday 3 rd January)		