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Welcome back and Happy New Year!!

I hope you had a good break; the children really enjoyed the ice-skating last term.



The children really did work hard last term and made progress across the curriculum. Please do look at children's work - you are welcome to anytime and especially when it goes into the 'Golden Book'. Let's make this a great year - Bersted Green is 10 years old in September and we are starting to think how to celebrate. One thing will be a whole school trip which will be really exciting.

Topics this term:

YR - Stomp and roar - animals and habitats

Y1 - It's a toys story - cuddle, move and wiggle

Y2 - The Owl and the Pussy Cat

Y3 - Who were the first builders? What were their achievements?

Y4 - Invaders and settlements - Map of Europe

Y5 - Islamic civilization - The Boy at the Back of the Class

Y6 - Ancient Greece and what we learned from this time/era



A big thank you to staff who run clubs each term - staff volunteer to run clubs so there is no charge to families. These clubs generally run for a term, and we are really fortunate to have these clubs.

Clubs will run from next week - the last session will be in the week ending 22nd March - NO clubs in the last week of term.

Packed Lunches - At school we promote healthy eating, and we are working hard to teach your children about healthy food choices and the importance of exercise to look after our bodies. Please could you support us and give your child healthy food items in their packed lunches including a sandwich or wrap.

Snacks - Thank you for sending in snacks for the children at breaktimes. Please continue to send in fruit, vegetables including cucumber and tomatoes, cheese twists, crackers or breadsticks as these foods support our healthy eating ethos. Squash in water bottles is really bad for teeth as the sugar in the squash is touching the teeth all through the day. We have water at school.

Reading - We all know how much difference to a child's development reading makes. Please read to your children and listen to them read too. Every child has been issued with a book bag. Please can you ensure that these are bought into school every day, to enable reading books to be changed regularly.

Online learning - use Numbots, My Maths & X Table Rockstars at least every week as well as reading as often as possible. Log ins are in reading journals.

PE-Kit- Please make sure your child has a PE-Kit in all week at school and if your child has verruca's please make sure they are being treated and they are very contagious.

Staffing - Mrs Charman's and Ms Gergowich babies arrived last half term, the babies are gorgeous and are all doing well.

Road Crossing - Please do park and use the school crossing patrol. This will help ease congestion at the front of the school. Please be careful as parking on yellow zigzags will incur a fine.

Parking - Please **DO NOT** park in the school car park under any circumstances. This car park is for staff only.

Parent Vacancies - We currently have 2 vacancies for a parent representative:

One as a Parent Governor - this role represents a parent's voice on the school Governing Body and supports the school strategic direction. Have your say... If you are interested, please speak to the school office to find out more.

The other role is for a parent representative on Little Acorns Committee - this would include attending meetings to discuss the running of the Preschool, so it is a great opportunity to express your views on what is working well in the setting or areas you feel could be improved. The meetings are held five times a year currently and from 1.30-2.30pm. If you are interested in becoming a member of the committee, please speak to Sarah or Shola at Little Acorns.

Volunteers - if you would like to help in a class or on school trips please pop into the office and let us know you are interested, and we can complete a 'volunteer DBS' with you.



Some dates for 2024		
11 th January		Y5/6 boys football tournament
16 th January		Year 3 school trip Chichester Festival Theatre Children's concert
18 th January	Ks1	Census Day
Friday 26 th January	All	DT projects day - make and evaluate
Week beginning 5 th February	All	Parents evening 3.30 - 6.00 - letter to follow
Tuesday 6 th February		We will celebrate Shrove Tuesday a week early
Friday 8 th February	All	Chinese New Year celebration - wear red
Thursday 8 th February	All	Film night - Ice Age £1 for drink and a biscuit. 4.45pm pick up (book in parents evening)
12 th February - 16 th February	All	HALF TERM
29 th February		Year 5 school trip Chichester Festival Theatre Boy in the corner
Week of 4 th March - Story telling week - Reading for pleasure	All	Please read at home too - What is your favourite children's book?
Thursday 7 th March		World book day
Tuesday 12 th March		STEAM Day - science, technology and ...
Thursday 21 st March	All	World Poetry Day - children will learn part of a poem - ask them to recite it to you
Wednesday 27 th March	All	Cake Sale - please donate some cakes with an Easter theme for us to sell - thankyou
Thursday 28 th March	All	Last day of Spring term
Tuesday 15 th April	All	First day of Summer Term for children
Summer Term swimming		As swimming locally remains a challenge Y6 children will swim at Arundel Lido during this term
Week of 13 th May	All	Growing week - please help - if you or someone you know might have any spare vegetable plants, we could have we would be very grateful
Tuesday 2 nd July	All	Sports day KS2 in the morning and YR and KS1 in the afternoon
Friday 19 th July	All	Last day of Summer Term for children Picnic and stalls run by children
Monday 22 nd / Tuesday 23 rd July	All	Inset days for staff