

# Beaufort Primary School/

January 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

A belated Happy New Year and I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas holiday.

Our end of term was again very busy with our 'Mega Reward Raffle', Reception Nativity production and Y5/6 Afternoon Tea for Grandparents. Thank you to all the staff and children who organised these events.



## ATTENDANCE

Last term 75 children received certificates for 100% attendance. The highest class attendance for the term was Mrs Hatton at 97.2% and Miss Sansom at 97.06%.

Some classes attendance is below our 96% target and this term the staff are really encouraging good attendance. The School Council have suggested a number of incentives to encourage everyone to attend school and I am sure the children will be telling you about their year group competitions at home. Please can I ask you to support us in ensuring that, wherever possible, your children attend on time each day so that they do not miss out on any aspect of their education.

## TOPICS

This term KS1 and KS2 topics are geography focused:-

Y1/2 Katy Morag and An Island Home

Y3/4 Italy

Y5/6 Extreme USA

Reception - 'Changes'

Nursery - Winter Wonderland

Congratulations to the Nursery who

have achieved their Silver Forest

Schools Award. I know the children

particularly enjoy 'Forest Fridays' and

the activities organised by Mrs

Johnson.

## EXTRA CURRICULAR AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Lunchtimes are particularly busy with a range of daily activities run by our staff. These include daily groups for Reception, Y1/2 and Y3-6, computer clubs, knitting group, football, gymnastics, dance, craft, cookery, music practice groups, reading and games.

### Before/After School Clubs

	Before School	After School
Monday	Homework 8.20am	Dance KS2 Craft Y5/6
Tuesday	Homework 8.20am	ICT KS2 Bookworms Y1/2
Wednesday	Homework 8.20am	
Thursday	Homework 8.20am	Craft Y3/4 Popcorn Club Y5/6
Friday	KS2 Cookery 8.30am Homework 8.20am	

## SPORTS

Congratulations to the KS1 group of gymnasts who have passed their first award.

Well done to Karlis, Riley, Kasparas, Skye, Jaylei, Chloe, Faith, Paige, Shiloh & Shalliese.



Currently a Y5/6 group are working towards their higher gymnastics awards.



Finally, good luck to the group of KS2 footballers who are representing the school at an inter-school tournament later this week.

### **BAD WEATHER**

Hopefully we will not need to follow our bad weather plan this year but just a reminder of our school closure procedure.

If the school is not open, a text message will be sent out to parents/carers. An announcement will be made on BBC Radio Derby and Capital FM to inform you of the closure. If the weather worsened during the school day and school needed to close you would be sent a text message.

Please ensure that any changes to mobile numbers and emergency contacts are updated with the school office so you are able to receive any text messages that are sent from school.



### **SUPPORT AT HOME**

Thank you for continuing to support your children with reading at home. Last term 92% of the children read at home on at least 3 occasions a week. This is a further improvement from the first half term. Golden time continues to be a really positive reward for reading at home.



We are encouraging, particularly KS2, to learn their multiplication tables. The Maths National Curriculum states that by the end of Y4 children should know their tables from 2's to 12's. When children are confident with their multiplication facts it really does support their learning. If you require any further information please see your child's teacher.

### **INSET**

A reminder of our INSET days for this term.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017

A reminder that if you have any concerns about your child please come and have a chat with either Jo Bridges, Mr Harris or myself. Mrs Bridges is available at the beginning and end of the day but can also be contacted through the school office.

Kind regards

Carla Dewberry

### **ROAST DINNER BONANZA DAY**

We are having a special roast dinner day **this Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January** to encourage children to have a school meal. The menu includes roast chicken with Yorkshire pudding or roasted vegetable savoury pasty with potatoes and vegetables. For dessert children can have either jelly or ice cream. Also available will be jacket potatoes and baguettes with the usual choice of fillings.



We hope that this special menu will encourage as many children as possible to stay for a school dinner on Thursday, especially those children in Reception and KS1 who are all entitled to a free school dinner. The cost of a paid school meal in KS2 is £2.15.

### **SCHOOL GROUNDS**

Please can you ensure that dogs, of any size, are not brought onto the school premises. This is in the interests of the health and safety of the children.



## **DATES 2017**

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Football tournament at DW Sports Centre
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Roast Dinner Bonanza day
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET day (school closed to pupils)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	E-Safety Week
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Break up for half term
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Return to school
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	INSET day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> & Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parents/carers meetings
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Music Week
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter holidays
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Return to school
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for half term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Return to school
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	KS1 Phonics screening
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET day (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Break up for Summer Holidays