

#### "Happiness and wonder, inspires success"



# Bellfield Infant School News

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## ear Parents

This week has been extremely busy at Bellfield Infant School. We have had our mystery theme day (not even the teachers knew what was happening). This time our mystery theme day was linked to mental health day. There has been lots of active and memorable learning going on including; making posters about a safe place, talking and presenting about what makes us happy, songs, lego building, making mood bottles and even some cake decorating. The children had a great day and were very keen to share their ideas with me as I went around. This theme links very well with "my happy mind" and is reinforcing children's learning about how to help and deal with their emotions.

As always, I like to thank you for your continued support. We have open days for Reception coming next week on Tuesday. However, if you or someone you know would like a visit and a show around for reception on a different day please contact the school office.

This week in Willow class we have been exploring our emotions. We read the Colour Monster and have created our own monsters. We have fished for emotions and made funny faces in mirrors. In maths we have been looking at the primary colours and going on colour hunts.

This week in Reception we have been reading the book 'Find Your Happy' and continuing to learn about 'emotions and feelings'. We have been learning how to identify our own emotions, what makes us happy and what makes us sad and also how to identify different emotions in others. During continuous provision, we have loved painting emotion pictures and creating faces in the playdough with loose parts! In maths, we have moved on from 'Matching and Sorting' and learnt the language of 'More and Fewer'. We have practiced using the language of 'more and fewer' during our carpet times. In RWI phonics we have been learning the sounds r j v y w. This week we have sent home our first 'Learning Leaflet'. Initially, these will focus on activities to build the children's fine motor skills however as the year progresses these will be closely linked to the academic teaching at school. These will be sent home every 3 weeks.

Year 1 have been working super hard in Science looking at our 5 senses. This week we looked at our sense of touch and how we use our skin to touch and feel things. We used adjectives to describe what we could feel: hard, soft, bumpy etc. The children were particularly excited about describing objects in the feely bag to their peers!

We've had a fantastic week in Year 2! In Maths, we've been counting in 10s, 5s, 2s, and 3s - the children havebeen brilliant at spotting patterns and making links between different counting sequences. In Art, we've been painting using shades and tints, taking inspiration from Paul Klee's "Tree House" painting. The children have created some wonderful pieces full of colour and imagination! In Geography, we've been exploring world maps and learning about different countries and continents. The children enjoyed finding where some of their favourite places are on the map. their favourite places are on the map.

#### **Blossom News**

This week the children in the blossom room have been listening to the story of the Rainbow fish. He was a fish with shiny and shimmering scales, all of the other fish wanted a scale just like him, but the rainbow fish wouldn't share so the other fish didn't like him. Eventually after he spoke to the octopus who explained about sharing, he realised that sharing with others can make everyone happy, and shared out his scales. We have been talking about the story together and have created some beautiful fish with an extra silver shiny fin on it just like in the story.

The children have also been exploring the water tray looking for the octopus hidden with all of the different sea creatures, they were able to identify many of the creatures especially the sharks.

Each team has been focusing on a different area of learning, from talking about our feelings, developing fine motor skills and learning sounds.





### **Pastoral News**

Hello everyone

This week, I attended the first of six webinars focusing on school attendance, which was very interesting. Birmingham City Council has significantly increased the number of staff working with schools to improve attendance. This means any attendance concerns will be managed quickly and efficiently.

Please remember to leave your mobile phone (and headphones or Airpods) in your bag or pocket when you are in our playground. Your child wants a proper goodbye from you in the morning and to see your smiling face when you pick them up at the end of the day. It really makes a massive difference to the children. Thank you for your ongoing support. 🔕

This week, our HERO classes are Maple, Oak and Ash. This means that Maple, Oak and Ash classes have all won a 15 minute HERO play. Well done to you all!

This week, ask your children 'what are the best and worst things about P.E?' 🏂 🏂

Please remember to read with your child at least three times every week. This helps them so much and it's a fantastic opportunity for some calm time together. If they don't want to read, talk to them about the characters or pictures in a book. This will encourage them to use their imagination which is an excellent resource for writing! The world is full of reading opportunities and you can include these in your child's reading diary. For example, a trip to the library or reading a menu or leaflet.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, Beccy 伯



#### **Dates for your Diary**

**Tues 14/10/25** - Open Day for Reception 2026 9:15am Tues 14/10/25 - Open Day for Reception 2026 2:15pm

Wed 22/10/25 - Parent Consultations 1:30pm - 5.50pm Fri 24/10/25 - Reading Morning 8:30 - 8:45am

> Half term (School Closed) Mon 27/10/25 - Fri 31/10/25

Mon 10/11/25 - School Photographer

Fri 19/12/25 - Last Day of Autumn term





Thank you for all the Harvest donations that have been made.

They will be donated to Northfield Foodbank and support those families and people in need.



Have you booked your child's lunches for next week? Click on the link to book... **Book Lunches** 

#### Attendance this week (excluding Willow) 93.70%

Class	Attendance %
Willow	93.47%
Oak	95.83%
Ash	95.20%
Elm	95%
Holly	85.83%
Hazel	92.73%
Maple	98.10%



Well Done to class Maple who achieved the highest attendance this week!





