

## "Happiness and wonder, inspires success"



# **Bellfield Infant School News**

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## **Dear Parents & Carers**

#### Changes to Uniform at School

We are currently revising our Uniform Policy which will result in a new simpler uniform from September 2026 for the following reasons;

- This hugely reduces the cost of uniform per child
- Items can be easily purchased from other retailers, not specific outlets
- Clothing allows for sensory needs of specific children
- · No need for two sets of footwear

It is our intention that we will move to PE kit uniform only from September 2026, but between January and July, children can wear current uniform, branded PE kit uniform or plain PE kit uniform.

From January 2026, children can choose to wear current uniform or PE kit uniform. If you need to buy any new items over the next couple of months, these should be as follows;

- White polo t-shirt
- Navy blue plain shorts
- Navy blue plain joggers and zip hoodie
- ALL BLACK trainers

Although we would prefer the branded PE kit, which will be available from Kids Essentials, it is not essential. We hope this will help families as we work on our final uniform policy for implementation from September 2026.

This week in Willow class we have been reading the book Binny's Diwali and learning about how people celebrate Diwali. We also celebrated bonfire night by making edible sparklers. In maths this week we have been learning about matching, and making sure two items are the same.

This week Year 1 received a special letter from Mr Wolf. He asked us for some help with Baby Bear's birthday! We had to test some party games out and write some party invites for him. It was lots of fun. In music this week we have been exploring pulse and beat, listening to some Mozart pieces.

This week in Reception we have started to explore our new book 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. At the beginning of the week, we were visited by a very sad looking penguin and the children talked about what they thought could be wrong and how we could help. Later, we received a letter telling us that the penguin was lost and needed our help! We talked about all the different ways that we could help including building a boat, building an aeroplane, finding his friend, returning him to his family. The children came up with some fantastic ideas and have loved making boats and painting their own penguin pictures. In phonics this week the children have been learning the sounds z, x and recapping our set 1 sounds. The children have also been practicing reading simple CVC words e.g. mad, mat, sad, dad, sat. In math's, we have been learning about 'mass' and 'capacity.' We have been practicing using the language of heavy, heavier, heaviest, and light, lighter, lightest as well as empty, half full and full.

In Year 2, we began exploring our new alternative fairy tale, 'Three Wolves and the Big Bad Pig'. The children designed a house for the wolves, created a story map, and learned new vocabulary, including the word strange. In maths, we used our knowledge of number bonds to 10 to work out number bonds to 100, as well as practising adding and subtracting ones. In history, we started our exciting new topic: The Romans. In art the children created vibrant collage cut-outs inspired by the artist Henri Matisse. Finally, in computing, we discussed examples of information technology in our everyday lives.

### **Blossom News**

As the children in the blossom room have joined in with the firework celebrations this week. They have had lots of fun as they investigated what is bonfire night? We have been talking about using our senses, and explored how we might find out the answers to many questions, What might you hear? What could you see? and what might you smell? We have created our own firework experience as the children used their creative flare, they have watched firework display footage and then danced to the music while using coloured pom poms as they acted out being a firework. The children have also been creating their own firework pictures using to different techniques print a picture matched patterns to copy the patterns of the fireworks. The children have learnt a new rhyme" 5 little rockets" which they have been able to sing while acting it out, counting 1-5 and counting backwards from 5-0.

## **Pastoral News**

Hello everyone and welcome back to school after the half-term break

This week our HERO classes are Maple, Holly and Willow, well done to you all!

If you choose to buy items from our 'poppy shop', please make sure your child doesn't wear their snapband or bracelet to school. Last year, children were sharing with their friends which resulted in some arguments and a couple of children lost their snapbands. Thanks for your support.

Please remember that we have a FREE breakfast club! This is open to ALL our children. From Tuesday, you can bring them to the main entrance from 8:00. The last entry if you would like them to have breakfast is 8.25.

If you arrive later than 8.30, you will be asked to take your child to their classroom via the playground.

Children can choose from a range of breakfast items, then join in with fun activities. The club is run by school staff so the children will see familiar faces. Club staff then take the children to their classroom. The club is a fantastic way for your child to make the transition from home to school in a calm, relaxed way. There is no need to book and your child doesn't have to attend every day.

Please remember to let us know if something changes in your child's life. If we know what's happening for your child we can support them in the best way.

#### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Our Christmas Fayre will be on 5th December this year and on Friday 28th November we will have a non-uniform day in exchange for a donation towards our Christmas tombola.

We would appreciate donations of unwanted gifts, wine, perfume or any unused beauty products. Books of raffle tickets will be sent home next week with a chance to win one of our fantastic prizes for just 50p per ticket.

We would appreciate your help in selling to friends and family.

1ST PRIZE IS A TV!

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

Mon 10/11/25 - School Photographer
Fri 28/11/25 - Non-uniform Day
(donations required for Christmas Fayre)
Fri 05/12/25 - Christmas Fayre
Wed 10/11/25 - Christmas Theatre Production
Thurs 11/12/25 - Christmas Lunch

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



Archie (Y1)

## Star of the Week

Willow: - Ama

For being a kind and caring role model.

Oak: - Aaliyah

For using her imagination in her learning.

Ash:- Hanna

For her amazing effort in phonics.

Elm: - Adeline

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For always joining in with class discussions.

Holly:- Travis

For working independently on maths journaling.

Hazel:- Shounak

For being a team player, supportive class member and always using school values.

Maple: - Kimarley
For being ready to learn.

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## Attendance this week (excluding Willow) 93.70%

| Class  | Attendance % |
|--------|--------------|
| Willow | 94.42%       |
| Oak    | 92.08%       |
| Ash    | 94%          |
| Elm    | 90.83%       |
| Holly  | 96.36%       |
| Hazel  | 92.27%       |
| Maple  | 97.14%       |



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





