

Bedale Church of England Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter Date: 12th January 2018

Dates for your Diary

Mon 15th Jan

Singing Club visit to
Young Voices,
Sheffield Arena

Y3/4 Ancient Egypt
Launch Day

Wed 17th Jan

Netball Finals,
Bedale High School

Fri 19th Jan

Whole School
Pantomime—Peter
Pan

Tues 23rd Jan

Y1 Maths
Afternoon
2.30—3.15 pm

Thurs 25th Jan

FSG Film Night
3.15—5.15 pm

Tues 30th Jan

Y2 Reading
Workshop
2.15—3.15 pm

Thurs 1st Feb

Cluster TAG Rugby
Event

Dear Parents/Carers

Let me begin by wishing you all a Happy New Year.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas holiday. It was certainly needed by many of the children (and staff) who were full of germs and exhausted after such a long and busy term. I must commend those pupils who kept going at the end of term, even when feeling under the weather. It is to their credit that we ended the year on 96.4% attendance for the whole school for the Autumn term. This is something the children should feel extremely proud of. Several parents commented to me how their children loved school so much they did not want to be off. I even had one very eager Year 2 child ask if he could come in during the holidays as he loved school so much!

Looking ahead, our children will be treated to the pantomime of Peter Pan on Friday 19th January. EYFS and KS1 will watch it followed by KS2. Our thanks to both you and the FSG for supporting us last term to make this possible. Many of the teachers will use this experience to help make the children's learning more exciting.

Miss Woods, as our PE subject leader, has also been busy organising some extra opportunities for our children for the Spring and Summer terms. During the spring term Year 1 and Year 2 will be having a dance specialist working alongside teachers in their PE sessions. Year 3 and year 4 will be working with a gymnastics specialist and year 5 and year 6 will be visited weekly by a member of the Yorkshire Cricket Board. We are also organising some outdoor learning opportunities for the summer term.

I hope the above enhances their experience and enjoyment of PE. It is always good to try something new.

Mrs Turnbull, Head Teacher

DIGITAL LEADERS

During Spring term we will be thinking even more about staying safe online with Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 6th February bringing this to our attention. Our new Digital Leaders will be running assemblies and helping in lessons throughout the school to support this. The school debating team will also be discussing the theme of social media, including the benefits and problems that come with its use, as they try to defend their title as North Yorkshire debating champions.

FSG Forthcoming Events 2018

Thursday 25th January - After School Film Club - 3.15 - 5.15 pm

Thursday 8th February - Disco - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 - 5.00 - 6.15 pm

Thursday 8th February - Disco - Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 - 6.30 - 7.45 pm

Thursday 1st March - After School Film Club - 3.15 - 5.15 pm

Thursday 22nd March - Chocolate Bingo Night - 6.00 - 7.00 pm

Thursday 25th April - Talent Show - held in Bedale High School Hall - 6.00 - 7.00 pm

Details on the above events to follow nearer the time.

PARENTAL WORKSHOPS

Each team has the following workshops for parents organised. I hope you find them helpful. I think you will agree that we work so well in partnership with parents. Previous workshops have been brilliantly attended. Workshops will take place as follows:

EYFS: Wednesday 28th February 2.15—3.15 pm (Maths)

Year 1: Tuesday 23rd January 2.30—3.15 pm (Maths)

Year 2: Tuesday 30th January 2.15—3.15 pm (Reading)

Year 3/4: Tuesday 6th February 2.30—3.15 pm (Maths)

Year 5/6: Wednesday 21st February—2.00—3.00 pm (Maths)

A separate letter will be sent out regarding these workshops.

SCITT STUDENTS

We welcome two students to our school this term, Mrs Thompson and Miss Clark who will be working alongside the class teachers in Mrs York/Mrs Sawyer's class and Miss Woods' class. We hope they enjoy their time at Bedale.

We are learning all about our planet and space for the next 8 weeks.

Reception News

We have launched our topic with the funny story of Aliens Love

Underpants which the children have really enjoyed. We are watching carefully to see if any aliens come and steal the underpants we are making...

We will be landing our topic with a Space Picnic which the children will be inviting you to. They will be making food and drinks for you and we will send further information soon.

As always we welcome items for our making area and are keen to share any planet and space books you would like to bring in from home.

Year 1/2 News

We are thrilled to welcome back Mrs Hopps and we are looking forward to working with Mrs White and Mrs Lynch.

This term or topic is about castles. We are very excited about the weeks ahead and we are all ready to learn some new and interesting facts. Additionally, we are looking forward to the pantomime of Peter Pan and learning more about traditional tales.

For your information, there are two parent workshops this half term. Year 1 Maths workshop Tuesday 23rd January. Year 2 Reading workshop Tuesday 30th January. Year 1 are also starting swimming on Fridays, so please remember swimming kit every week.

Happy New Year and a warm welcome back from the year 3/4 team. We hope you've had a wonderful Christmas break.

Year 3/4 News

Feeling refreshed and ready for the new Spring term, the children will be going back in time to the era of Ancient Egypt! Our lessons will be themed around this topic so they can feel the whole Egyptian experience.

Gratefully, we are continuing our partnership with Bedale High School so PE sessions will be split equally and Mr Burgess will lead the children at skills within invasion games.

Additionally, we are very lucky this term to have someone come in and teach the children gymnastics for indoor PE. Please can that be a reminder that your child needs to have their indoor and outdoor PE kit in school from Monday to Friday.

Last term was a great one, let's keep our efforts up and increase our learning to make this one even better.

Year 5/6 News

We launched our new topic this week with some "Tastes of the Seaside" (Candy floss and sticks of rock). Over spring term we are thinking geographically, comparing Bedale and Whitby as tourist attractions and what makes them special. We are currently planning a visit to Whitby in the second half term, which we will announce further details of later.

This week, we had our first cricket coaching session with Matthew Hurren from the Yorkshire Cricket Board. Our PE sessions at Bedale High School are continuing and we are all looking forward to the fairer weather later in the year as sports competitions between houses and schools begin again.

ENHANCED MAINSTREAM SCHOOL

Staff continue to work extremely hard to make lunchtimes a happy and safe experience for all our children. Lots of exciting clubs take place at lunchtime thanks to the staff who give up their lunchbreak to spend time with the children.

Mrs Hood runs a friendship club in the Ark where children can play games and talk in a quiet, safe space. Mr Holmes runs a girls football club and Miss Woods does a running club. Staff also supervise Year 6 pupils running a number of clubs where pupils can enjoy lego, dance, colouring, ipads and board games.

The peer mentors are Year 6 pupils who have volunteered to support all children at lunchtimes and playtimes. Peer mentors help with building friendships, playing games and caring for each other.

Bedale Cricket Club Winter Indoor Cricket Sessions

Indoor cricket sessions for new and existing players at ***Bedale High School Sports Hall***. It doesn't matter if you have played before or want to give it a try our fun and friendly sessions are great for all abilities.

- **Under 9's & Under 11's (School Years 6 & Under) - Tues 6:30pm - 7:30pm**
- **Under 13's (School Years 7 & 8) - Wednesdays 8:00pm- 9:00pm**
- **Seniors - Wednesdays 8:00pm - 9:00pm**

Sessions Start : Tue 9th January / Wednesday 10th January
Cost : £20 for 12 weeks (FIRST TWO WEEKS FREE TASTERS)

For more information : Club Secretary Paul Croft - bedalecc@hotmail.com -
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www.bedale.play-cricket.com
www.facebook.com/bedalecricketclub



The next "Messy Church" will be in the Methodist Church Hall, Wycar, on Sunday 21st. January at 3 p.m. - finishing soon after by 5p.m. including a hot meal
All children with responsible adults are welcome!