

Beswick & Watton School Newsletter

Our Christian value for this half term is 'Love'

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Welcome Back! We hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are refreshed and ready for the term ahead. We are very impressed with how the children have settled back into school and it is lovely to see them approach their work with such enthusiasm and determination. We offer a very warm welcome to our new starter in Reception.

Dinner Money

Dinner money (KS2 only) Autumn 1st half term is **£103.35** (39 days x £2.65). (8 week half term) All payments to be made on ParentPay.

Building Update

You may have noticed several work vans in the carpark over the summer break. We are pleased to let you know that we now have a new and very shiny accessible bathroom in the Key Stage 1 classroom.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Once again, we will be participating in the Macmillan Coffee Morning on **Friday 27th September**. This is an important opportunity for the children to demonstrate our school value of Love and to live out our school motto 'Agents of Change'. All family, friends and community members are welcome to attend and if you would like to donate a cake for the event, please let us know.

KS2 Guitar Lessons

Mr Elliot from the Schools Music Service will continue to offer guitar lessons on a Monday afternoon for any children in KS2. Please contact the school or refer to your previous letter, if your child would like to start lessons.

Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who joined us at our Summer Fair on **Sunday 7th July**. A special thanks to FoBS for making this a huge success, and for everything you do for our school. You really make a huge difference to the experience of the children.

Safety Steps 4Life

A huge thank you to our local community member Mr Derrick Duggleby from Beswick, who has very generously sponsored the purchase of a Stepping Stones 4Life booklet for each of our families. These booklets have guidance on how children can stay safe in a variety of situations. You may wish to share certain parts of the booklet with your child or children and refer to it as when required.

P.E Lessons

P.E lessons will be on a Wednesday and Friday morning this term for each class. All children should have their P.E kit in school on these days, including items suitable for cooler weather.

Schools Library Service

To help promote a love of reading, we borrow a selection of books from the Schools Library Service each term. The children in Miss Carr's class can borrow and exchange a book every Thursday. The children in Key Stage 2 are encouraged to read at their own pace and to take more responsibility for their own learning, therefore they can change their library books as and when required. Please take the opportunity to share library books with your child in a calm and cosy environment with limited distractions. Please be aware that there may be a charge for any lost or damaged books.

Stay and Read

Stay and Read will resume in KS1 on Friday 13th September. Parents, grandparents etc... are invited to stay and share books with the children until 9.15am.

Afterschool Clubs

Due to popular demand, Miss Carr's drama and dance class will continue on Thursday's afterschool for any children in Year 1 and Year 2. Mr Lapworth will also be running an afterschool sports club for children in KS2 on Thursdays. Both clubs will start on Thursday 12th September so please look out for the sign-up sheet which will be sent home with the children. Both clubs will finish at 4.30pm this half term. We may reassess the end time as the nights become darker for the second half of this term.

Robinwood

Thank you for all the payments for KS2 visit to Robinwood which have been made so far. Please ensure these are made on or before their due dates so we are not having to chase. The last payment was due on 30th August and the next one is 31st October.

Flu Immunisation Reception to Year 6

NHS The immunisation team are visiting school on the afternoon of **14th October**. Information has been emailed for your to complete.

Medical Appointments

Please can we have as much notice as possible for any appointments - we are also asking for evidence for these so we can ensure the correct information is added to the attendance registers for children.

Dates for Diary	
3 rd September	New School Year
4 th September	Year 6 Bikeability
25 th September	Longcroft Year 6 Open Evening
26 th September	Driffeld Y6 Open Evening
27 th September	McMillan Coffee Morning
14 th October	Flu Vaccines
25 th October	Last Day of Term
4 th November	School Re-opens
11 th November	Remembrance Day Service 10.45 am in KS2 classroom
15 th November	Children in Need

Attendance

Pupils should be at school by 8:50am each morning.

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please telephone or email the school on the first day of their absence as early as possible. The school will telephone you if no contact has been made by 9:30am. The office is open from 8.15am each morning.

Uniform

All uniform is available to purchase from Drury Sports in Drifffield. Replacement book bags are still available to purchase from school at a cost of £6.50.

Please could we ask that you check all of your child's school uniform to make sure that it has their name in. This is particularly helpful when the children are getting changed for P.E. If there is no name in the uniform, then we cannot guarantee that it will be returned to you. Likewise, if your child brings home any uniform with another child's name in, please return it to school. Thank you.

Data Collection Sheets

You will shortly receive a data collection sheet for your child. Please could you check your child's data collection sheet to ensure that the information is correct paying particular attention to emergency contact numbers and medical information. Please could you also check with emergency contacts who are friends or other members of the family that they are still able to collect your child if you are unavailable. **Please sign and return the sheets to the office A.S.A.P. even if there are no alterations.** Thank you.