



# Bevendean Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Parents' sessions**

It was fantastic to see such a turn out of parents to our class Maths sessions last week, especially in Early Years (37%) and Key Stage 1 (55%) and Key Stage 2 (18%). How lovely to see parents and carers 'having a go' and learning with your child! Children are always so happy to learn and it was nice that you were able to share this with them.

### **Class assemblies**

Both 1M and 4J performed wonderful assemblies this January, each class sharing their topics with the rest of the school and their parents. Miss Jackson's class are studying Egypt at the moment so we were able to go back in time and learn about mummies, the pyramids and pharaohs. Miss Morris' class shared their topic of knights and dragons, which was very exciting too.



### **Medical issues**

We regularly update our medical records in order to keep on top of all children's medical conditions. If there is a change of medication, a new medication, asthma pump or other please ensure that you inform the office straight away and we can do the necessary paper work. Remember, pumps and Epipens do have an expiry date, so please keep an eye on these. If your child has a specific medical condition and a Healthcare Plan has not been completed with Mrs Ofield our Inclusion Manager, then please contact the office so that we can make an appointment.

We have quite an accumulation of medicines in our first aid cupboard in the main office. If you have left any Calpol or similar that is no longer needed please come and pick it. Any unclaimed or out of date medicine will need to be disposed of. Thank you.

### **Asthma Pumps**

At this time of year, as you know we all get coughs and colds. Please ensure that if your child is a bit under the weather with a cold, and usually has an asthma pump to use, ensure they bring their pump with them to school.



### **Dressing warmly**

Please ensure that your child is dressed with enough warm clothes: a school jumper for indoors and a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves for coming to and from school and to wear outside during morning and lunch time breaks. Remember, boots can be worn to and from school but children must change into their plain black shoes when they arrives.



### **Outside the school**

It has been brought to our attention from local residents that some parents are still parking on zebra crossings etc. Also, people have been emptying their cars' rubbish and ashtrays onto the ground whilst waiting for their children. Please act with consideration for others.

## **Uniform**

We are delighted that so many children are wearing the correct school uniform and shoes, however, there are still a minority who aren't in the correct attire. Please make use of the holidays to sort out the correct uniform. If you are unsure please check the school website ([http://bevendean.eschools.co.uk/website/school uniform/](http://bevendean.eschools.co.uk/website/school%20uniform/)). School Governors have confirmed that there are no changes to the school's uniform.

## **After School Clubs**

Reminder that there are a couple of new dance clubs starting soon. Check the school website under the tab "clubs" to keep up to date.

## **Reminder Schools Out - after schools activity club**

Some children may have already come to the new after school activity club, School's Out. New members are always welcome. Your child doesn't have to attend on the same day each week (or attend every week). You can pick and choose according to their favourite activities (cookery, arts & crafts, singing, games, role play etc.). You do need to book a couple of days in advance, last minute or emergency bookings will be considered if there are enough places available. A copy of the weekly activities can be found on the school website for you to refer to. Please contact Debbie in the school office for more information on this.



## **Parent / Carer Survey**

Thank you to all parents and carers who completed our Parent Questionnaires at the end of last term. We know that there are always things that we can improve on but this year's results were very positive. Please check the school's website for the results. If there are things that you would like to follow up with, then please make an appointment with the relevant member of staff or the Headteacher.

## **Fantastic Work**

It has been fantastic to see some of the homework that children have been working on relating to their topic work. Year 3 and their amazing Viking long-boats; year 2 and their under-water creations. These are proudly on display along the corridors and in classrooms

## **October Half-Term**

Hopefully you will have heard that Brighton and Hove have changed the dates for the October 2017 half-term; this will now be a two-week break instead on one. This is a trial initiative by the council so that parents can book an affordable holiday outside term time. Please take advantage of this and book your holiday for these dates. See our website for the actual term & holiday dates.

## **Fridge News**

### **February**

Fri 3rd - 9.05am - 5WD Class Assembly  
Fri 3rd - RW & RI all day trip to Paradise Park  
Tues 7th - Internet Safety Day  
Fri 10th - 9.05am - RW Class Assembly

### **Monday 13th to Friday 17th (inclusive)**

**HALF TERM - School closed**

Mon 20th - children return to school

### **Fri 24th - Thurs 2nd March (not Wed 1st March)**

**Scholastic Book Fair - 3.15pm to 4.00pm**

### **March**

Wed 1st - 13.30pm - 3.00pm - Sussex Book Awards  
Author Henry Young book signing  
Thurs 2nd - Y6 all day trip to Newhaven Fort  
Fri 3rd - 9.05am - 2C Class Assembly  
Tues 7th - Rec - Y6 Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 6.45pm  
Thurs 9th - Rec - Y6 Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 5.30pm  
Fri 10th - 9.05am - 3S Class Assembly  
Fri 17th - 9.05am - 1B Class Assembly  
Fri 17th - Y4 all day trip to British Museum  
Wed 22nd - Whole school class group photos  
Fri 24th - Red Nose Day/Comic Relief £1 donation