



# Bevendean Primary School

Heath Hill Avenue, Brighton, BN2 4JP

T: 01273 681292

F: 01273 622334

E: [admin@bevendean.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bevendean.brighton-hove.sch.uk)

Headteacher: Martyn Giddens

## A place for everyone to succeed and thrive

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back after our first 2 weeks half term break we hope you all had a wonderful break. This half term will be a busy one as it hosts parent's evenings, a new talk for writing topic 'The elves and the shoe maker' and all things Christmas.

### Reading books

Since the start of September we have been encouraging the children in year 1 to change their reading books each morning, encouraging independence and trying to ensure there are no stagnant reads of the same books. Again we would like to ask you to keep up the good work and to read with your child for a few minutes every night – this really does benefit their reading progress and supports us enormously (thank you in advance). Reading supports all areas of the curriculum therefore being a strong and excitable reader will allow your child to access all areas of the curriculum. Remember to sign the reading record (and make a comment if you wish).

### Who's who?

Please can you ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly named. Remember jewelry is not permitted in school except for small studs in the ears.

### Dates for your diary

**Anti-Bullying House Event**  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November

**Cake Sale Day**  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November

**Last Day of Autumn Term**  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Production date to follow

### Anti-Bullying Week

This half term sees the return of Anti bullying week from the 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> November (this year's slogan is 'All different All equal'), however Bevendean works hard to ensure that it is a bullying free school therefore the entire month of November will be dedicated to supporting children's understanding of Bullying and how to report it. On ... there will be a whole school Anti Bullying house event where will explore these themes as a school. Furthermore, Year 1 will be holding a cake sale to raise money for a Worry Plaque for our year groups. We will be making the cakes in class as part of our D&T lessons.

### Homework

Homework is sent home every week and follows a theme of what children have been learning in class that week or half term. Please work with your child wherever possible to complete this on time.

### PE/ Music and Drama

PE days are on: **Tuesday and Thursday**

Music and Drama: **Tuesday**

This half term will see Year 1 partake in music and drama lessons with a fabulous new music teacher .....

This lovely addition to our curriculum gives children the opportunity to explore different genres of music and instruments.

1B's music and drama session is at 9:05 on a Tuesday morning so please try and arrive on time to avoid a delay in our session.

Also during this half term our PE lessons will be taught by Premier Sports which will explore new ways of teaching PE at Bevendean.

### New Faces in Year 1

From Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October there will new members of staff in Year 1. Each year 1 class has a PGCE student teacher and we hope you will join us in welcoming them to our school.

Please remember that we are always available to answer any queries or concerns and you are welcome to talk to us at the start or end of each day if you need to share any information.

Kind regards

Miss Barnett, Miss Morris, Mrs. Bargeman, Mrs. Carse, Miss Burt, Miss Cornelius and Miss Martin.