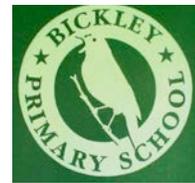


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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy month September has been with visitors, exciting news and achievements. We are so pleased with the way our new Reception children have settled into school and have adapted to school life.

## Harvest Festival

It was lovely to see so many Parents and Grandparents at these assemblies. I'm sure you'll agree that the children sang and performed beautifully. Thank you very much for your generous donations; these have been collected by the Food Bank and will be distributed to needy families in the Bromley Borough.



## Visitors

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September, the poet Neal Zetter, visited our school. All classes spent time with him as he performed some old favourites and some of his newer poems. Lots of laughter could be heard coming from the hall.



Year 6 classes had a visit from the Road Safety team and learned about how to keep themselves and others safe on our roads.

## Year Reception 'Tapestry' evening

This was very well attended and many parents have left feedback to say how useful they found this. Many thanks to our Reception teachers for their time and I hope you all enjoy the benefits of using the Tapestry system over the course of this year to follow your child's achievements in Reception.

## New playground equipment

We are very excited about new equipment that we will be purchasing for the playground. This will undoubtedly enhance the children's playtime and will follow after a

special training session, for all our Midday Supervisors, about playtime games and activity areas. Many thanks to FOBPS for all the hard work they do in raising funds and purchasing this equipment for us.

## Exciting News!

Congratulations to Mrs Meloy and her husband on the birth of their baby boy, Max. Both are doing well and we look forward to meeting Max when they come into school for a visit.

Congratulations also to Miss Holmes, Year 1 teacher, who is expecting a baby in the New Year.

## Parent interviews

These will take place during the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> October, with a late evening on the Thursday. Hopefully by now you will have signed up for an appointment. Just to remind you, each appointment lasts for 10 minutes only. Should you need any further discussion, this will need to be arranged at a later date with the class teacher. Our Inclusion manager, Mrs Pauline Grant, will be available on the Thursday evening should you wish to speak with her.

## Sporting news

Our Skipathon last term raised £781. Thank you very much for all your sponsorship and well done to all the children who took part. We keep 10% of this to use towards the purchase of new playground equipment. We have recently received a lovely certificate for the money raised for Sport Relief – a massive £940.56 was raised by all of you!

Special mention goes to Max Holland, Year 5, for his impressive cycling achievement during the summer. He cycled 18km climbing over 1,400m on one of the Tour de France routes.

Well done Max!

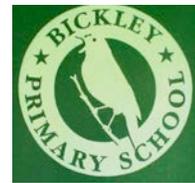


## FOBPS Saturday Football

As you may know, for many years now, parents have run a Saturday morning Football Club for children in Years 1-6. There are currently spaces for children in all year groups so



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if you wish your child to join please speak to Mr Patterson (parent in Year 2), Mr Potticary (parent in Year 4) or Mr Dulson (parent in Year 4) or ask at the school office. If you would be willing to help at the club please see one of the parents above or again enquire at the school office, where you would also need to collect a DBS form. Thank you to all the parents who currently give up their time for this worthwhile activity, which the children love!



## Arts week

We are looking forward to Arts Week (17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> October) and all the exciting activities and events that have been planned by Mrs Dakin. Each class will be focusing on a Roald Dahl book to tie in with the 100-year anniversary as explained in the Arts Week letter. I am especially keen to see all the amazing outfits that the children will be dressed in on the Friday of that week! Thank you for your support in advance of this Theme Week.

## **Some future dates for this term:-**

| <b>October</b>                                 |   |
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| Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup>                          | Year 5 trip to science museum             |
| Weds 12th                                      | Diwali Assembly – whole school            |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>            | Parent Interview week                     |
| Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>                         | Parent Interview Evening 4:30 – 7:30pm    |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> – 21st                        | Arts Week                                 |
| 21st   | Dressing Up day – Roald Dahl character    |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup><br>October | Half Term                                 |
| <b>November</b>                                |   |
| Weds 2nd                                       | FoBPS Halloween Disco 4.15-7.30pm         |
| Tues 8th                                       | Flu vaccinations (nasal spray) Yrs 1,2 &3 |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>                           | Individual and class photographs          |
| Weds 23rd                                      | Full Governing Body Meeting 7pm           |
| Sun 27th                                       | School Christmas Fair (FoBPS)             |
| Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>                           | Perform workshops – Years 1-5             |

## School Dinners

A reminder of prices for KS2 lunches for next half term:-

The weekly cost is £11.00 (to be paid by cheque or parent pay only please).

The cost for the second half of term is £83.60.

## New Head Teacher visits

Miss Elizabeth Blake, our new Head Teacher, will be visiting the school at various times this term. She will be meeting the staff and getting to know the children. She will be here on the evening of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October during Parent interviews, and is looking forward to meeting you all.

Yours sincerely,

Rae Cairns

Acting Head Teacher

