



BRIDGEWATER NEWS

Welcome Back

Summer Term 1 2018



A warm welcome back to you all! Enclosed is some important information and details about projects and exciting events planned for this half term. You will also receive a newsletter from your child's classteacher highlighting the learning they will cover this term so you can help support them further at home.

We also regularly update the school website www.bridgewaterprimaryschool.co.uk and our twitter page @BridgewaterPS with information and news.

Year 2 and 6 SATs

During this half-term, Year 2 and Year 6 will sit their SATs (Standardised Assessment Tests). This will assess the children's progress and attainment since EYFS/Key Stage 1 and compare them with their national counterparts. We ask that parents help prepare their children for these important tests and remind you that Year 6 attendance during the week of 14th May is vital.

The School Office

Our dedicated team in the school office work exceptionally hard to ensure the smooth running of school procedures, including communication between school and families. The team are currently updating email addresses for all families as we move away from sending letters to a more cost effective paperless system. If you haven't already, please let the office staff know your email address. We hope to have all emails by the end of May so we can start a transition from paper letters to electronic as soon as possible.

Attendance and Punctuality

At Bridgewater, the large majority of our children attend school regularly and benefit hugely from undisturbed teaching and learning. It is expected that children attend school every day and the Government set an acceptable level of attendance as above 95% (this is less than 1 day absent every 4 weeks). Any children who fall under this percentage are monitored carefully by Miss Hopkins and our Education Welfare Officer Jo Reeves; letters are sent half termly to inform parents if attendance is a concern. If improvements are not made, parents are requested to attend a meeting to discuss further actions and a fine is likely to be enforced.

PE kits

Please ensure that your child has a suitable PE kit in school to enable them to take part in physical education sessions. We ask that PE kits (black shorts, white t-shirt and pumps/trainers) are fully labelled, in a PE bag and left in school for the half term.

Life Caravan

The award winning Life Caravan will be visiting school again this year. Coram Life Education and its Delivery Partners help children learn to make responsible life choices. By teaching them about diet, exercise and to manage the risks they may encounter, they help our children make healthier choices and take responsibility for their own lives. Using stimuli-rich and interactive techniques such as puppetry and role play, they teach children about the cause and effect relationships of issues they may face as they grow up. Specially trained educators deliver this programme to schools across the country in a fleet of mobile classrooms.

Smile Mile

Once Upon a Smile provide emotional, practical and financial support to bereaved families at their time of need to enable them to move forward. They also supported our school community in December. For the second year they are running a "Smile Mile" fundraiser and this year we would like to take part in order to raise funds and awareness for Once Upon a Smile. More details to follow.

Should there be any other information that you feel you would like us to share with the school or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see me via the school office.

Mrs E Henderson
Headteacher

April 2018				
16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th
LIFE CARAVAN				
	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2	WOW day – Y2 Ukulele performance for parents (2:30pm – 3pm)	Health & Fitness – AJ Bell 5AH Science morning – Harrop Fold 5RD	Always Trip – Be Ninja, Bolton KS2 Tennis Cluster – St Edmunds (1pm – 3pm) Y4
23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th
Phonics meeting for parents (2:30pm – 3pm) Y1	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2 Audiology Testing (9:15am – 11:45am) Y1	Class Assembly R1 Girl's Football Cluster – St Edmund's (3:30pm – 5:30pm) Y5	Health & Fitness – AJ Bell 5RD	Girl's Football Cluster – St Edmund's (1pm – 3pm) Y5

MAY 2018				
30 th	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
Rev Hartigan Assembly SATS Parent's meeting (2:30pm – 3pm) Y2	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2	Debate Mate catch up session (3:30pm – 4:30pm)		
7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th
May Day Bank holiday School Closed	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2	Class Assembly Y4		
14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th
KS2 SATS TESTS				
Parent Forum (3pm – 3:30pm)	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2	Royal wedding Workshops		
		Lledr Hall meeting for parent's (3:30pm – 4pm)		
21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th
Fire Safety talk Y6	Dance Teacher working with Y1/Y2 Science Dome (9am – 3pm) Y3 Lancashire Cricket session (1 of 6) Y6		Nursery Maths open morning	Parent's workshop (9:15am – 10.30am) Finish for summer half term

School Reopens: **Monday 4th June 2018**