



BRIDGEWATER NEWS

Welcome Back

Spring Term

Happy New Year! We hope that you all had an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and that 2024 is proving to be a fantastic year for you all! This newsletter lets you know about some of our events, policies and practices. Further information can be found on our website: www.bridgewaterprimaryschool.co.uk.

We also have a Twitter page which we will update regularly with school information and events, so please do follow us to see all the exciting events we take part in: @BridgewaterPS

Our School Expectations:

We would like to take this opportunity to ask that you support the core expectations of our school, which ensure all our children enjoy and achieve at Bridgewater:

- Good attendance and punctuality – a missed day can never be repeated and arriving late can be very disruptive for your child and their class.
- Support your child's learning – discuss your child's day, practise spellings and timetables, complete daily reading tasks and ensure homework is completed and handed in on time. Have the items they need in school, including their PE/swimming kit.
- Wear full school uniform – our identity is very important and teaching the children to wear our uniform with pride is an important part of this. No trainers or jewellery are permitted. **PE kits to be brought into school and left on your child's peg so they are available for all physical education sessions.** Please ensure all items are clearly labelled so they can be returned if misplaced.

Communication with parents:

Please remember that all correspondence from school shall be sent via electronic means unless there is a need for parents to directly respond. We ask that you ensure the school office has your most up to date email address so you receive these important messages from school, and that you download the PA Connect App to view these school communications.

Please can I remind all parents how vitally important it is that we have up-to-date contact details for you - in case of an emergency. Kindly inform the school office team as soon as is practically possible if your contact details change.

Parent Voice:

We would like to thank you for your continued support and involvement in school life at Bridgewater. We will continue to send out surveys and questionnaires to get your views and feedback.

Parent forum Autumn minutes are available on our school website. Parents and carers are invited to attend the Spring parent forum on **Thursday 18th January 2024 at 9am** in the school hall, to give their opinions on school policies and procedures. If you have any suggested agenda items please forward these to the school office on Bridgewater.primaryschool@salford.gov.uk. All parents are welcome.

We endeavour to support you in any way we can; if you have any questions about your child's learning and/or development at school, please do speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. If the issue is not resolved as you would have hoped, please do make an appointment via the school office, to see a senior leader:

Our Senior Leaders are:

Mr Tien-Rhimes – Deputy Headteacher.

Mrs Byard - Assistant Headteacher. Lead teacher in Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4).

Mrs Thornley– Lead teacher in Upper Key Stage 2 (Years 5 and 6).

Miss Lovell - Lead teacher in Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2).

Mrs Freeney– Lead teacher in The Early Years (Nursery and Reception).

Mrs Hill – Director of Business and Operations and Office Manager.

If you still believe your issue is unresolved, please make an appointment to meet with myself, Headteacher, Mrs Henderson via the school office.

This first Spring half-term is packed with purposeful and enjoyable learning experiences. Please find some important dates for your calendar below. A separate newsletter from your child's class teacher will also be sent to parents.

Wishing you all the very best for 2024

Mrs Emma Henderson

Calendar of Events – Spring Term 1 2024

January/February 2024				
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
School Closed	School Closed	School Closed	PE (Y5)	4DS Swimming
8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
PE (Y5, Y6) Y2 Visit to Walkden Library	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4)	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) EYFS Early Writing Parent Workshop – 9:00am 5KO Visit to Walkden Library Y3 Ancient Greek Workshop	4DS Swimming Y6 Visit to Walkden Library
15th	16th	17th	18th	19th
PE (Y5, Y6)	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4) Y2 Art Exhibition for Parents – 2:30pm	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) Parent Forum – 9am 1AK Trip to Salford Museum 5KS Visit to Walkden Library 2DG Visual Art Workshop	4DS Swimming
22nd	23rd	24th	25th	26th
PE (Y5, Y6)	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4) Y3 Art Exhibition for Parents – 2:30pm	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) EYFS Maths Workshop for parents – 9:00am 1JC Trip to Salford Museum 2CL Visual Art Workshop	4DS Swimming
29th	30th	31st	1st	2nd
PE (Y5, Y6)	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4)	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) Computing & Online Safety Workshop for Parents – 9am 1JC Visit to Walkden Library	4DS Swimming
February 2024				
5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Art Week & Children's Mental Health Week				
PE (Y5, Y6) Riveting Reads Workshop for Reception Parents – 2:30pm Y1 & Y2 Online Safety Workshop	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4)	PE (Rec & Y3) Harry Potter Night - 4.30pm	PE (Y5) 1AK Visit to Walkden Library 5KO Creative Writing Workshop EYFS Chinese Dance Workshop Y3 & Y4 Online Safety Workshop	4DS Swimming Y5 & Y6 Online Safety Workshop
12th	13th	14th	15th	16th
PE (Y5, Y6)	PE (N, Y1, Y2, Y4) Uniform Bank open to parents 2:30pm – 3.00pm (hall)	PE (Rec & Y3) Valentine's Day Disco	PE (Y5) Y2 Class Assembly – 9:00am 3KB Visual Art Workshop 5KS Creative Writing Workshop	4RS Swimming School closes for Spring Half Term

School Reopens: **Monday 26th February 2024**