

Bawdsey CEVCP School

Newsletter

'We have got God's world in our hands'

If you have any queries or you need to contact us, please use the contact details below...

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Awards of the week

Please remember to let us know if your child has achieved anything outside of school that we could celebrate with them. They may have received a medal in sports, certificate for swimming/ gymnastics etc, new belt in a martial art, art award or anything else within a club or group they belong to.

Literacy update and celebrating Roald Dahl day

Hello everyone, welcome back for an action- packed Autumn Term at Bawdsey!

We have lots of exciting things planned this term, including the introduction of our new handwriting and reading awards! Children from Year 1 through to Year 6 will now ALL have the opportunity to work towards and earn pen licences. There is a progressive set of criteria, which means that children will gain the chance to choose whether or not they write with a pen when they meet the outcomes for their age and stage. Excellent examples of handwriting will then be displayed for all to celebrate.

We also have the introduction of a new reading award, called Bawdsey Bookworms. As before, children will be celebrated for reading at home and every 5 times they read they will move along our reading wall stepping stones. The 5 reads do not all have to be in the same week they will just be added up as they happen. Children can also be moved up for reading with visitors to the school. Special certificates and metal badges will be awarded at particular intervals, which the children can wear with pride on their school uniform.

Throughout the year we will also be holding various reading and writing competitions for the children to take part in and our love of reading will feature heavily in our curriculum.

Please ensure reading records are brought into school regularly to be checked and for us to share communication and if children are reading at home by themselves, they will need an adult to sign it off for it to be counted.

To kick this all off with a bang, we have Roald Dahl day on Friday 13th September, which coincides with our book fair. If children would like to come in next Friday dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character or just in PJs with their favourite Roald Dahl book then that would be fantastic. We will be celebrating with Roald Dahl themed activities on the day! *Mrs Moffatt- Literacy Lead*

Forest and Beach Schools

Forest school this term will be on Monday afternoons led by Alesha Clarke (while Mrs Rankin is on a sabbatical). Please could year 3 and 4 (Oak class) bring in a change of clothes (bottoms at least), waterproof jacket and suitable footwear for this half term. This is starting on **Monday 9th September**.

Beach school this half term will again be on Wednesday afternoon, please could year 1 and 2 (Chestnut class) bring in a change of clothes, waterproof jacket and appropriate footwear for this on Wednesdays this half term. This is starting on **Wednesday 11th September**. Thank you.

PE and swimming days

Class 1- Willow class (years N and Rec), will have PE on Tuesday and Friday afternoons.

Class 2- Chestnut class (years 1 and 2), will have PE on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

Class 3- Oak class (years 3 and 4), will have swimming on Wednesday mornings and PE on Thursday afternoons.

Class 4- Hazel class (years 5 and 6), will have swimming on Wednesday mornings and PE on Friday afternoons.

Please can the children come in on Swimming days and PE days in their sport kits.
For swimming they need tight fitting trunks or a full swimming costume, a swimming hat and a towel. Please label everything you can so nothing gets lost.

Book fair

We are excited to have a book fair in school next week which will be open to everyone afterschool until 4.30 on Friday 13th, Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th of September. To pay there will be a QR code to scan so you can pay online for the books you chose. The more books purchased the more books we get for the school. We hope you can come.

Roald Dahl dress up day

On Friday 13th September we are celebrating Roald Dahl day in style. The children can come in wearing a costume from a Roald Dahl book, or in pyjamas with their favourite Roald Dahl book if they have one. There is no charge for this, it is just to celebrate a great author.

Data collection forms

Thank you from Miss Lee for all the data collection forms already returned, we have never so many back so quickly, but please could we have the few remaining. Thank you again.

Macmillan Coffee and Open morning

We are pleased to be holding our Macmillan Coffee and Open morning on 27th September from 9.30-11.30. We would love you to come and support this worthwhile cause and see the school in action. The children love serving and being tour guides for the morning. The range of cakes are outstanding each year and we have you all to thank for this, please could each family support this again and send in a cake or some biscuits and their ingredients too in case of allergies. Please tell anyone you know about it too!

Cooking role

Miss Amelia Parmenter our Head of Kitchen, is pursuing a different career path and we wish her well in this and want to thank her for all the scrumptious meals she has cooked for us. This does leave a vacancy in the school as the [Head of kitchen](#) from 30th September. If you know anyone that would be interested in this role please follow the link above or pass it along.

Teacher led clubs

We have a wealth of clubs starting on the week beginning 16th September, all being run voluntarily by the school staff. To sign up for a space, they will be released on Parent Pay next week, please look out for them so the children do not miss out. Miss Lee will email when they go live. If your child misses out on a place they will be on a shortlist for the next signing up time and will get a place before they are released. Some weeks may have to be cancelled if the staff have training, on Tuesday 24th September there will not be Line Dancing or Lego club as a result.

- Monday lunchtime Christian club run by Just 42. *Signing up not required.*
- Monday after school until 4 pm. Rec, KS1 and KS2 (years Rec-6) Art club with Mrs Williams.
- Tuesday lunchtime, School council for elected pupils with Mrs Briggs. *Signing up not required.*
- Tuesday after school until 4.15 pm. KS2 years 3-6 Line Dancing with Mrs Moffatt.
- Tuesday after school until 4.15 pm Rec and KS1 (years Rec-2) Lego club with Mrs Briggs
- Wednesday lunchtime all year groups, Wellbeing club with Mrs Darke. *Signing up not required.*
- Thursday lunchtime all year groups, Choir with Mrs Head. *Signing up not required* but packed lunches from home, or packed lunch ordered from the kitchen is required.
- Thursday after school until 4.15 pm KS1 (years 1 and 2) Craft club with Mrs Lincoln
- Thursday after school until 4.15 pm KS2 (years 3-6) Maths club with Mrs Stone.

An introduction to Little Wandle phonics

Reception parents and carers are invited to a session introducing Little Wandle phonics, led by Mrs Williams on Thursday 19th September at 2.45 p.m. (It should be finished in time to pick up the children.)

Biscuit cutters

We have been sorting the teaching kitchen and we do not have many shaped biscuit cutters left, if you have any you could donate to the school we would really appreciate it.

Diary dates

New dates added or anything changed will be in red:

13th September (Friday) Roald Dahl day, wear pyjamas or dress up as a Roald Dahl character.

13th, 16th and 17th September after school until 4.30 pm. Scholastic book fair.

16th September staff led clubs start this week.

17th September fire service visiting all classes.

18th September Reception parents/ carers session on Little Wandle phonics. 2.45-3.15 p.m.

18th September: Individual and siblings photographs.

26th September Harvest festival in church.

27th September: Macmillan coffee event and open school 9.30-11.30 a.m.

21st October year 5 and 6 Crucial crew visit.

28th October: Half term holiday week.

21st December: Last day of the Autumn term.

[For our term dates please look on our website.](#)