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|  **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.Or you can book a 10 minute slot with your teacher, see the dates at the end of the newsletter… |
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|  **14th November 2022** |
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| **Awards of the week** |
| Nursery: Harley for joining in with all the Nursery routines.Starfish class: Rec- Shellbee for working hard on her letter formation. Year 1- Sophie for working hard in her maths. Seahorse: Year 2- Ed for trying hard with all of his work. Year 3- Rupert for his fantastic narrative work. Turtle class: Year 4- For helping others in Maths. Year 6 – Mikey for persevering in Maths even when it is tricky. Good Samaritan awards: Maxwell for being a good friend on Remembrance day- nominated by the staff. Cheska for also being a good friend- nominated by a friend. With the very different cohort sizes we aim to give out one or two awards per class to make it fairer in how often the children may get awards. |
| **Report explanation- Attendance and Attainment**  |
| **Attendance:** This was included on your reports. Any child with attendance under 90% is counted as having attendance which is a concern. The child and the reasons for absence are then discussed with the EWO (Educational Welfare Officer). It is then hoped the child’s attendance improves. If the child’s attendance drops again, then the school then talks to the family about problems and possible ways forward. If this does not work the EWO will contact the family directly. This also happens for pupils who are consistently late to school, and letters are due to go out to families soon about this, as directed by the EWO. Please do not worry if you have let us know why your children have been off school, we will have let the EWO know this, and this normally covers most absences. **Attainment:** On the attainment section of the report this can be confusing as Working Towards is where most children are until the end of the year; it does not mean your child is not at the expected standard for their age. It is just not the end of the year yet for them to be at the Expected standard. The line underneath which says ‘Is this expected for your child/ or at this time in the year’ has yes or no following it. If it has ‘no’ highlighted, it means your child’s attainment is not on track and their class teacher will have, or will be asking to speak to you about your child’s attainment and progress. We will then tell you how we plan to get them back on track.  |
| **Your Hero day** |
| This Wednesday we are asking the children to dress up as their hero, or think about their heroes. It can be any hero, a real life hero like a nurse or police officer, or it can be someone close to them that is a hero, Mum, Dad, Grandparent. We are hoping to raise money for real life heroes at Macmillan Cancer Support- this was nominated by a family at the school who have seen this heroism first hand. Please help us support these heroes, thank you. |
| **Parent/ Carer forum, Little Wandle information session and the Starfish sharing assembly** |
| Thank you to everyone who came to the forum and the Starfish sharing assembly. For more forum dates and sharing assembly dates see below. We really value your ideas and being able to share things with you all. Please also find attached to this email the PowerPoint from the Parent/ Carer forum in case you missed it. The main areas discussed were: * The role of Mrs Butler as she returns as fulltime Headteacher- the focus of the school.
* Communication.
* Changes to staffing in the school.
* Behaviours of pupils in the school.
* Changes to the feeling of Bawdsey over time- the family feel.

Please see below for the answer to the drop off and picking up query that came from the first forum.  |
| **Dropping off and picking up time** |
| One thing that is not on the Parent/ Carer Powerpoint, but that was brought up at the meeting was about a request to change drop off and pick up procedures at school. **Dropping off time:** Unfortunately, the morning procedure will not be able to be changed to allow the children to play on the playground before school, due to the supervision and staffing needed. The procedures in place now will remain in the mornings. * The gates open from 8:45-8:50.
* Children from year 2 onwards can be dropped in front of the school gates from a car and staff will ensure they get in safely.
* For younger children, or Parents/ Carers who wish to escort their children into school, they can line up on the pavement if their children stay with them and behave sensibly. Or they can wait in their cars until the gates open, so they can then walk them straight in.
* The member of staff on the gate will ask children to go and stand with their grown up while unlocking the gates and until both gates are open.

**Picking up procedure:** In the evening to try to help the Parents/ Carers to have time to talk to friends, we will try to open the playground gates 10 minutes before the end of school each day. The adults can then come in and chat on the playground If they wish to. This does not mean the children will come out earlier. We also ask that Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Parents/ Carers who come early stay on the main playground until the playground doors open. Then they are welcome to come round the side to the Nursery gate. Please do not go round until then as it will distract the children getting ready for home, thank you. We hope this helps with the request for Parents/ Carers to be able to socialise more.  |
| **What do you think of the newsletter?** |
| Thank you for the responses we have had already about the effectiveness of the school newsletter. If you have not had a chance yet, please could you take a few moments to fill it in online? <https://forms.office.com/r/ngv3YzgJD8>Please follow the link it only takes moments and is a very quick form. |
| **Baby and toddler group- combined with a Parent/ Carer coffee/ tea and chat?- the next steps…**  |
| As I am back at Bawdsey fulltime we can restart the Baby and Toddler group, but we would like to make sure it is open for as many people who wish to attend as possible. It would be good to know which days/ times would be more convenient and also if people would like to have other Parents/ Carers able to join who do not have the right aged children but would like to join in for a cuppa and a chat. Please can you fill this brief form in about this as well, thank you. <https://forms.office.com/r/pjCtCgYCGv> It is three questions long! |
| **Reading Eggs account** |
| We have cancelled the Reading Eggs account that we started in COVID times. We have looked at how many people were still accessing it at home, and it was minimally used but cost a lot of money so we will use the money on something that will be of more use within the school. |
| **School Uniform** |
| Please can you ensure children are coming in school uniform for normal school day, including on PE days. Please can you also make sure hair accessories are not extravagant and match the school colours, thank you. Link to the school uniform > <https://www.bawdseyprimary.com/page/?title=School+uniform&pid=80> |
| **Monday**  | **Tuesday**  |
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| Choir with Mrs Head, Years 2 - 6 Sports Club with Mr Hogben, Reception and Year 1 | Premier Sports Club, Yrs 2-6 Computer Club Miss Mee Reception and Year 1 |
| **Wednesday**  | **Thursday**  |
|  | Art Club with Mrs Butler, Reception and Year 1Design and Technology Club with Mrs Rankin, Yrs 2-6 |
| **Friday**  |  |
| Chess club with Mr Wesson Yrs 2-6 |  |
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| **Future Dates**  |
| Changed or new dates will be in Red - we will try not to change the dates below but when planning so far in advance sometimes we may have to adjust them as we go through the term.   14-11-22 (All week) Anti bullying week. Wear odd socks day 14-11-22 We are particularly focusing on Diversity and how being different or unique is a good thing. 16-11-22 (Wed) Dress as your hero day- raising money for the heroes at Macmillan Cancer Support.15-11-22 (Tues) Flu vaccinations in school- more information to follow.16-11-22 (Wed) Bowling competition with selected pupils.17-11-22 (Thurs) 9-10, slots to talk to the SENDCo available, please phone or email to request a slot with Mrs Darke.19-11-22 (Fri) Tag rugby competition with selected pupils. 23-11-22 (Thurs) 2:30 pm. Class 3 Sharing assembly and book session. 24-11-22 (Thurs) 9-10, slots to talk to the SENDCo available, please phone or email to request a slot with Mrs Darke.25-11-22 (Fri) 6:30 pm. BSA Fashion show and sale.29-11-22 (Tues) 1-2 pm Mrs Simoes has 10-minute slots available to phone Parents/ Carers- phone in, or email in to book a slot if you would like to speak to Mrs Simoes. (See the Parent forum Powerpoint for more information).30-11-22 (Wed) 1-3 pm Mr Hogben has 10-minute slots available to phone Parents/ Carers- phone in, or email in to book a slot if you would like to speak to Mr Hogben. (See the Parent forum Powerpoint for more information).30-11-22 (Wed) 2:30 pm Class 2 Sharing assembly and book session. 1-12-22 (Thurs) 9-10, slots to talk to the SENDCo available, please phone or email to request a slot with Mrs Darke.1-12-22 (Thurs) Christmas craft afternoon in school. 2-12-22 (Fri) Flu vaccines in school- more information to follow. 2-12-22 (Fri) BSA Film night- details to follow. 5-12-22 (Mon) 1-3 pm Miss Mee has 10-minute slots available to phone Parents/ Carers- phone in, or email in to book a slot if you would like to speak to Miss Mee. (See the Parent forum Powerpoint for more information).6-12-22 (Tues) Nativity performance for families by Starfish class (including Nursery).7-12-22 (Wed) Christmas jumper day, Christmas dinner day and whole school beach walk.7-12-22 (Wed) 1.30-2.30 pm Mrs Darke has 10-minute slots available to phone Parents/ Carers from Dolphin class- phone in, or email in to book a slot if you would like to speak to Mrs Darke. (See the Parent forum Powerpoint for more information).8-12-22 (Thurs) 9-10, slots to talk to the SENDCo available, please phone or email to request a slot with Mrs Darke.16-12-22 (Fri) Christmas Carols around the tree (pm time to be confirmed). Last day of term. 17-12-22 – 3-1-23 Christmas holidays.4-1-23 (Wed) Children in school to start the Spring term.  |

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