



BESSEMER GRANGE NEWS

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 24th January - Year 3 Recorder concert 11.45am

Friday 26th January - Early Years Celebration Day 9.15am - 10.15am

Tuesday 6th February - Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February - Winter Olympic Activity Day

Monday 12th - 16th February - Half Term

Monday 19th February - Tutorial Day

Tuesday 20th February - Children return

Friday 23rd February - Play Street

Monday 19th March - Science Week

Friday 23rd March - Early Years Celebration Day 9.15am - 10.15am

Friday 23rd March - Sports Relief

Wednesday 28th March - House Winners Prize

Friday 30th March - Friday 13th April - Easter Holiday

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! This Spring term is always short, but as usual we have planned some exciting learning opportunities for your children and F@B have planned some great family events for you to get involved in.

F@B Winter Fair

Thank you to everyone involved in helping make our Winter Fair such a brilliant success. We raised over £3,000, which will be used by the school in a variety of ways to enrich the children's learning experience. The Fair would not have happened without the hard work and dedication of all the parents, staff and children who worked tirelessly in the run up and on the day - so a big thank you to all the volunteers, Santa and his elves. And just as importantly, thanks to everyone who came along, supported the school, and made it such a fun day!

Late Collection

If you are unable to collect your child on time from school and are more than fifteen minutes late they will be taken to Bessemer Club and you will be charged the fee of £10.

Safer Internet Day

Mr Symes has organised some great activities for your children to complete in class on Tuesday 6th February. The lessons will explain the dangers of the internet to your children and help them keep safe online. We have asked the NSPCC to run a workshop for parents supporting you in your role in keeping your children safe online. Further details of this workshop including confirmed dates and times will be sent out shortly. Staying safe online leaflets will be sent out to all classes on Tuesday 6th February.

Music Performance

On Wednesday 24th January at 11.45am year 3 will be hosting a recorder concert in the top hall. They will be singing some songs and performing recorder pieces they have been taught this year.

On Wednesday 31st January at 5.30pm year 4 will be taking part in an orchestral performance at the Royal Festival Hall. They will be participating in a small performance playing the woodwind instrument which they have been learning this year. Please feel free to come and support them.

Absence

Please be aware that all term time absence must be authorised by Miss Beard or Mrs Whitehead. If it has not been authorised you are at risk of it being referred to the Fixed Penalty Notice Panel and you may receive a Penalty Notice.

Please be aware that when a pupils attendance falls to 90% and below, you will be asked to provide medical evidence if the pupil has further absence due to illness.

Please ensure you contact the school office on each day that your child does not attend school, and if illness is the reason to inform the school office of the nature of the illness.

Winter Olympic Activity Day

Children from years 3 - 6 will be taking part in an intra school Hockey competition, children from Nursery - Year 2 will be practicing winter sport activities in a small circuit. Mr Wheatley will be holding an assembly for the children where they will be taught about the winter games.

Tutorial Day

On Monday 19th February school will be closed for the children. Instead the teachers will be here to meet with you to discuss your child's progress and to offer ways in which you can support them further. You will have the opportunity to look at your child's books and have the time to discuss any concerns you have with your child's class teacher. Please book your appointment using Parentmail. If you have any problems or questions just ask at the office.

Science Week

We will be holding our annual Science week beginning on Monday 19th March. The children will receive an exciting workshop and watch a fun assembly. There will be a science activity letter sent out with fun activities to complete at home as well as a school competition. If you are free this week and would like to come in and support the workshops please contact Emily Bull who leads science.

Parent Forum

As mentioned in the feedback from the last parent forum there is now a comments and suggestions box for parents in the office. This takes the place of the general questionnaires which used to be sent out termly. From now on questionnaires will focus on specific issues. Comments and suggestions left in the box will be reviewed by the parent forum and the school leadership team.



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