

# **BESSEMER GRANGE NEWS**

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## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September - Parent workshop - Transition - Welcome to Year 3
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September - Children's individual photos
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September - Siblings photos
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September - Early Years Parent Workshop - Home diaries

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September - Year 1 Parent Workshop - English

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September - Early Years Workshop - Phonics

Wednesday 28th September - Year 2 Parent Workshop - English

Thursday 29th September - Early Years Parent Workshop - Maths

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Year 2 Parent Workshop - Maths

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October - Year 1 Parent Workshop - Maths

Monday 10th October - PSHE and Internet Safety Week

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Early Years Parent Workshop - Reading Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Big Draw Week

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parents Evening

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October - Childrens Art Exhibition Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October - Early Years Celebration Day

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed the holidays and are looking forward to a busy autumn term.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new staff members and welcome back our Deputy Headteacher Elizabeth Whitehead.

This year I will continue to share my time between Bessemer and Keyworth Primary School. If you would like to meet me and I am unavailable, please ask to see Elizabeth Whitehead or one of my Assistant Headteachers: Lynette Mincher, Rebecca Benjamins and Ray Capper.

## Staff Changes

There have been a few changes over the holidays, which we feel you need to be aware of. Laura Dumphy has taken on the responsibility of Early Years Manager so please contact her in relation to Early Years. Emily Bull will be leading year 1 and Lizzie Bullock will be leading year 2 this year. Ray Capper will lead year 5 and 6 and Rebecca Benjamins will lead year 3 and 4. If you have an issue regarding behaviour please see one of the Assistant Headteachers, Elizabeth Whitehead or myself.

#### **Payments**

Please can we remind you to include a reference note when making a bank payment to the school. For example, if paying for John Smith to attend after school club please write the reference Smith. J ASC.

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#### Website Class Pages

Your child's class page on the website is a great way for you to see what your child has been up to in class. To look at your child's class page visit the learning tab and click on classes, choose your child's class and take a look. The website will be updated by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September. Please regularly check the website for up to date information.

#### School Photographs

School photos will take place on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September. Please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform. An example photograph will be sent home with your child. Please ensure you return the photograph by the given deadline with the exact money if you would like to purchase a copy. Sibling photographs will be taken on the following day for parents who have indicated that they would like this to happen.

#### Parent Workshops

There are a number of parent workshops taking place this term. All workshops will be held at 9.15am in the lower hall and 5.00pm in the top hall. The exception to this is the transition workshop for year 3 parents, which will take place on Wednesday  $14^{th}$  September at 3.30pm - 4.30pm in the top hall. If you are unable to attend the workshop, handouts and presentations will be available on our school website under the parent info tab.

### <u>Gates</u>

All school gates will be open at 8.40am. Children in KS1 will be allowed to enter their classrooms at 8.50am and lessons will start promptly at 9am. All KS1 courtyard gates will be closed at 9.05am. KS2 playground gates will be closed at 9.05am. All late children must report to the office where they will be given a late card. If your child receives three late cards they will receive a detention.

# After School Activity Clubs

All after school activity clubs will begin the week beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September. The after school activity club letter will be sent home on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September with booking beginning on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Unfortunately, due to education cuts, we are unable to run any free clubs this year. We have managed to keep club costs low and apologise for any upset this might cause.

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