

## BROADMEADOW INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL (3)

# September

The children have made a wonderful start, working hard in lessons. Our Reception children have settled so well, getting used to the new routines, especially with lunchtimes. The salad cart has been popular, with lots of children trying different foods and adding salad and fruit to their plates. We have noticed that a number of children are only using their forks and we would be grateful for your support in encouraging them to use a knife and fork at home as well as at school. I hope you have a lovely week-end.

### ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW

<https://www.brdmedoi.bham.sch.uk/>



- Please make sure you have downloaded the **XPRESSIONS APP**
- Please make sure school has an up-to-date **mobile number and e-mail address.**
- Please make sure we have at least **3 emergency contacts**

### IMPORTANT CHANGES ATENDANCE

Last week we sent a whole school letter about **FAST TRACK** to attendance. This was also sent via the XPRESSIONS APP and is on the school website.

Changes have been put in place by the Government and the Local Authority for 2022-2023. This is to ensure that no child's attendance is below **90% ,which is classed as persistently absent.**

If we have concerns about attendance or lateness our team will contact parents. We can then offer help and signpost to a range of appropriate support.

#### Here to help:

Annette Kemp-Parent Support (Wednesday and Thursday)

Michelle Stephens-Attendance Officer (Friday)

Miss Horton and Mrs Harris.

### HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

Family holidays in term time are not allowed in law and are unlikely to be authorised. Family emergencies also need careful consideration. It is not always appropriate or in the best interests of the child to miss school for emergencies which are being dealt with by adult family members. Notifying the school of leave due to a family emergency does not mean it will be authorised.

A Leave in Term Time form, available from the school office. must be completed.

### Special Educational Needs

Around one in five children has Special Educational Needs (SEN) at some point during their school years, when learning is harder for them than other children of the same age, due to a variety of reasons.

Mrs Harris, the SENCO, is available to call parents on Friday afternoons to discuss individual concerns. If you would like to make an appointment for a timed call please e-mail



[office@brdmedoi.bham.sch.uk](mailto:office@brdmedoi.bham.sch.uk)

### LEARNING THIS TERM

Our knowledge organisers provide information on the new words, facts, events, authors and significant individuals each year group are learning about. We hope this gives everyone a good starting point to talk about what children are learning and to find out more at home.

### SAFEGUARDING

If you are concerned about a child, for any reason, you can contact CASS on **0121 303 1888** or ask to speak to DSLs, Mrs Harris or Miss Horton in confidence. The Safeguarding Policy is available on the school website

### HOME LEARNING-READING

We use the **Little Wandle Phonics** Scheme to teach children to read. The children learn and practise phonics in school and then they have a **Big Cat Reader** to read at home. This is closely matched to the phonics they know. Once they know the phonic code and are fluent readers they will have other books.

### HEAD LICE - ONCE A WEEK, TAKE A PEEK!

Use a special comb and conditioner to check for unwelcome visitors in everyone's hair. **Please remember** it is your responsibility to check your family's heads for head lice.

### HOME LEARNING-SPELLING

Every week **Year 1 and 2** children receive spellings to learn. Please take a few minutes every day to practise these as it really helps children when they are writing. The children love to score 10/10!

### EVERY KIND OF WEATHER!

We've had every kind of weather in the last 3 weeks! As the weather turns cooler please remember to make sure to label coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Robust black shoes are also a must for playtimes and for using the climbing frame.

### CRIME PREVENTION, SAFEGUARDING,

### BEHAVIOUR AND SECURITY - CCTV

We would like to remind all parents that we have CCTV cameras operating across the whole site and focused on all the entrance gates and playgrounds.

There is a camera in the foyer. The information is shown on screens in both offices and records on to DVD recorders.

### DATE FOR THE DIARY-HALF TERM

**School finishes: Friday 21st October at 3:10pm**