

Bentley St Paul's Newsletter

"Growing together in faith, love and trust, we will succeed"

23rd February 2018

Dear Parents

Welcome back after a very short but well needed half term. The children have been busy in school working hard and Year 6 are preparing for their S.A.T.'s exams which will be taken place in May. A reminder that the date for the exams is 14th - 18th May. The Isle of Wight residential trip for Year 6 will be taking place on 18th June for the week.

Ofsted Outcome

I am thrilled to let you know that yesterday our Ofsted Outcome was confirmed and our report was published. We continue to be a **Good** school and I am pleased to be able to share the report with you. I feel it is a true reflection of all the great things we are doing here at Bentley and as a staff, we are extremely pleased with the outcome. We look forward now to building on this success and continuing to provide your children with the education they deserve. You will find a copy of the report attached with this.

Lego Workshop

Yesterday we had a visit from John & his wife who came with their Lego, boxes and boxes of Lego....the KS1 children spent the morning building a town. They were also joined by our Drama Group from Sawyers Hall who were delighted to join in all the fun.. KS2 children took over for the afternoon. This is a great fun day and is lovely to see all the children working together.



School Governor

A position has become available within our Governing Body for a Parent Governor. If you think that you may be interested in putting yourself forward for this position please contact the school office. Alternatively, make an appointment for an informal chat with our Chair of Governors, Mr Phil Russell.

Parents evening/afternoon

Please note that the **new date** for Parents afternoon/parents evening is

14th March from 1.30 pm – 8.00 pm.

This has been changed from 8th March due to a number of events clashing. The board for appointments will go out on **Monday 5th March** for you to sign up for an appointment. It is important that you attend your child's parent's evening as it is an opportunity for your child's teacher to discuss their learning and areas for development.

Parking

A reminder to consider where you are parking before and after school, when dropping off and picking up your children. There are a number of you parking on the corner of Ashwells Road on the double yellow lines. This is making turning into Ashwells difficult from the Ongar Road. Please can we also ask you to STOP turning your cars around on the corner of Ashwells as this is a dangerous place to turn.



Snow

The weather forecast for next week is predicting snow, particularly Monday and Tuesday. As we know a lot can change as the weather system approaches, however can we ask that you keep an eye on Twitter and look out for text messages or emails regarding this. We ask for your patience and support making a decision to remain open or to close is not a simple one. Any decision to close will be based on a number of factors, the Health and Safety of the children, parents and staff, safety of the school site, safe access to the school and whether we have enough staff to ensure the children are safe and well. We do all that we can to ensure the school remains open and closing is always a last resort. That being said where we feel we have to close the school we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible.

Can we please make sure that your children all attend school with a coat. The temperatures are due to remain low all week and the children do feel the cold. Hats and gloves would be great too.



Bookweek Monday 26th _ 2nd March 2018



To celebrate World Book Day 2018 we will be holding a book week in school. Over the course of the week we will be celebrating books and reading in a number of

different ways.:

This year's theme is Share a Story, over the week staff will be sharing their favourite story with the children and we will be encouraging you to share stories with them too.

We will begin our week on Monday with a whole school assembly introducing the week and a focus on story writing will flow through the week.

On **Tuesday 27th** we will be holding an **afternoon tea and book sale for parents**. Please come along browse the books enjoy a cup of afternoon tea or coffee. All books purchased raise valuable funds for the school. If you have any good quality suitable books that you would like to donate, please drop them in at the school office.

On **Friday 2nd March** we will be holding a **World Book Day dress up day**. We would like the children to dress up as their favourite book character.



Night Owls - 1st May

On 1st May the Night Owls team will be coming along to school to visit for the morning. They are a Bird of Prey demonstration team and will be holding a talk and flying display session for all the children in school with three of their Owls.

The children will also have the opportunity to have their picture taken with Whisper the Barn Owl. Parents will be given the chance to purchase these photographs and a proof card will be sent home with your child. Each photograph sold (no obligation) helps them to be able to continue visiting schools and offering this wonderful and sometimes once in a lifetime opportunity to the children.

Sports Relief

Sports Relief week start on 19th March. From Monday 5th March we will be selling our Sports Relief wristbands. These will be sold in class for the cost of £1 each. We have lots of exciting events coming up for Sports Relief week so watch this space for more details....



WORLD BOOK WEEK MENU

We will also be having a special Book week menu Please see below for the changes to the menu.

Monday 26 th	Tuesday 27 th	Wednesday 28 th	Thursday 29 th	Friday 30 th
Charlie & the Chocolate Factory	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	James & the Giant Peach	Lorenzo, the Pizza Loving Lobster	Toad of Toad Hall
Oompa Loompa chicken nuggets or Veggie nuggets Golden ticket wedges & baked beans. Followed by gooey chocolate brownie.	Meatballs or veggie balls in homemade tomato sauce & pasta, garlic bread. Followed by raspberry frozen yoghurt.	Roast Turkey or Quorn fillet Roast potatoes, peas, & carrots, Followed by peaches & ice Cream	Pepperoni Pizza or cheese Pizza, pomme noisettes, salad bar Followed by Violet Beauregarde Blue Berry Muffins.	Sausage & chips or veggie sausage & chips peas and sweetcorn. Followed by toad shaped biscuits.

WORLD BOOK DAY MENU PRIZE DRAW



Book Vouchers

There will be a prize draw for all children having dinners everyday over the week. One child from Key Stage 1 and one child from Key Stage 2 will receive a £5 book token if their name is pulled in the prize draw.

Events for the week beginning 26th February 2018

	Monday 26th	Tuesday 27th	Wednesday 28th	Thursday 1 st March	Friday 2 nd March
Classes	Bookweek	Howard Lodge Visit - year 3 Afternoon Tea & Booksale	BYT Drama workshop All children	Year 4 Weald Park Sawyers Hall Inclusion group with Year 3	Dress Up day Your favourite book character
Clubs	All clubs are on for the week unless notified				

Let Us Pray.....

Dear God

Please help us grow up using our Christian Values, help us to understand that we are so lucky to have what we have and help us to be a better person. So we would like to say thank you for who we are.

Amen

By Izzy & Erin Year 6