

Inspire, Believe, Succeed

Mrs Bridges' Final Newsletter

Bedford Drive Primary School

March 2024



Message from Mrs Bridges

As you know this is my final day at Bedford Drive. I've had the best time over the past 17 years making lots of happy memories. At least 2,500 plus children will have been through school during that time!

I'm so proud of all we have achieved here at school but it's the children that are our purpose and they remain our focus at all time. We do really make a difference here due to our dedication and love for our children and community.

I hope that my new role gives me the opportunity to have a positive impact on more children and communities.

I have had a fantastic last two days, the assembly yesterday was outstanding and today we have danced the morning away. It's been wonderful!

A huge thank you for all your cards, gifts and flowers but mostly for your thoughtful and kind words to me today—it meant so much. Bedford Drive is so special.

I know you will give Mrs Horton a warm Bedford Drive welcome next term. She will love it!

Good luck and very Best Wishes for the future.

With all my love,

Rebecca Bridges

staff news

We would like to welcome Miss Makin back from maternity leave. Miss Makin will be teaching full time in class 4CG.

Miss Trueman and Mrs Billington have joined our midday team. I am sure you will join me in welcoming them both to Bedford Drive.

Mrs Cullen is leaving after 11 years of teaching at Bedford Drive to spend time with her young family. We would like to thank Mrs Cullen for all her hard work and commitment and wish her the very best of luck.

School re-opens for pupils—Monday 15th April

Bank Holiday Monday (school closed) - Monday 6th May

School closes—Thursday 23rd May

INSET Day—Friday 24th May

HALF-TERM—Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May

School re-opens for pupils—Monday 3rd June

School closes for pupils—Tuesday 23rd July

dates
to Remember

Mental Health and Well-being Update

This term, the learning focus has been on the 'Celebrate' module and 'Appreciate' module in our myHappyMind sessions. Pupils have been learning about character strengths and how we can grow and develop these throughout life. In the 'Appreciate' module, the theme was gratitude and how our brains respond when we give and receive it. We encourage you to download the myHappyMind app to support your child further at home and learn more about what they are learning in school.

Appreciate



Celebrate



myHappyMind



Some of our parents attended a workshop called 'Understanding and supporting my child with their worries' run by the Mental health in Schools Team which was well received and we will be running similar sessions as the year progresses. Our Mental Health and Wellbeing Action Group met and shared the outcomes of the pupil survey about mental health and wellbeing and the biggest concern from pupils is sleep and how they feel they are not getting enough. Our Happiness Heroes will be focussed on addressing this during the summer term. Many thanks to those who have completed the Parent/Carer survey recently. We will give feedback about the outcomes of this next term.

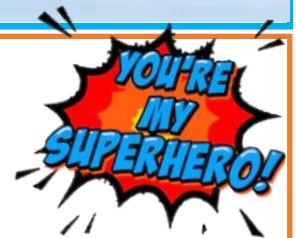


We are very proud of all our children who have represented Bedford Drive in our sporting events.

We look forward to more events next term.



A huge well done to Adama who was a hero at the weekend when his Nan had a fall when they were out together. He asked people for help and used her phone to contact his Mum! Sadly she has broken her arm, but Adama was a little hero and so very sensible. His teachers and classmates are very proud of him.

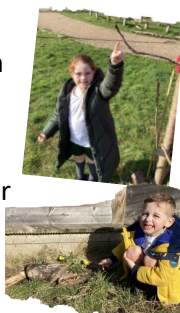


Outdoor Learning

Y6 have been drawing maps of the school grounds and plotting their own orienteering course for their peers.



Our Y2 children have been exploring our outdoor area for signs of spring.



RED NOSE DAY



Thank you to everyone who helped raise money for Comic Relief. We raised £262.40. Comic Relief supports incredible projects and organisations that are making a difference for people across the UK and around the world. It raises money to keep children safe, healthy and educated.

This year we asked the children to dress in the red for the day and for every class to think about their favourite joke to share with the whole school in one big, fun filled and very red assembly!

STAY & PLAY

Our F1 and 2 children loved having their grown ups in school to see what they have been getting up to this half term. We even had an Easter Bonnet Parade.

We look forward to seeing you all again next term!

YEAR FOUR

Year 4 had a brilliant time at the 'Easter Experience' at Christchurch in Bebington. They learnt about the importance of Easter to Christians through story, role play and song. We were very proud of how respectful pupils were and how much they have learnt about the religion.



Huge well done to Emmie in Y3 whose creative writing has been selected for publication in a Young Writers Anthology.

The last few days we have had a special visitor welcoming the children into school!



I'm A Headteacher

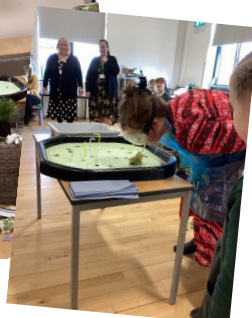
Get Me Out Of Here!

The last few days we have celebrated with Mrs Bridges, as she nears the end, as our wonderful Headteacher, after 17 amazing years!

We had a great assembly in which Mrs Bridges completed numerous tasks and gained many gold stars in 'I'm A Headteacher Get Me Out Of Here!'.



We had our very own 'Ant and Dec' presenting the assembly.



We look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 15th April 2024