

BOURN PRIMARY ACADEMY NEWSLETTER



September 2013

From the Head Teacher

Welcome to the new School year, and a particularly special hello to those of you who are joining us for the first time. I hope that you have enjoyed the summer holiday, which has been greatly enhanced by the fine sunny weather. Thank you to all the children who sent postcards to school whilst away on holiday. We shall be looking at, and discussing, these over the next few weeks.

During the holiday the Hazel and Acorn classrooms have been decorated and the drive and lower playground resurfaced. A new front gate is soon to be fitted, the temporary road removed and grass seed planted. It has nearly been a year since the building work began and although the staff have worked hard to keep the disruption to a minimum we are all very relieved that the end is in sight.

During the next few weeks the new School Council will be elected and their first task will be to select the charity that Bourn Primary will support this year. As on previous occasions, each class will nominate one charity following a homework task and the Council will then have the deciding say on which is chosen. We will let you know the result in due course.

"The Essential Guide to the Year Ahead", an information evening for all parents, will take place on Wednesday 18th September, starting at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served in the Main Hall from 7.15pm prior to a short introduction describing school life. Parents will then be invited to the classrooms to hear information about the curriculum, find out more details of the school day and, of course, to ask general questions. Parent Consultation evenings, scheduled for just before Half-Term, will give parents the opportunity to discuss their children in detail with their teachers.

A number of years ago we set up an after-school care club which lasted just one term due to a lack of demand. We will shortly be sending out a questionnaire to see if there is now an increased requirement for this type of child care.

After-school clubs will begin in the week commencing 16th September and will end on Friday, 29th November. The list of clubs on offer this term will be sent out by the end of this week.

Bourn to Run, the biggest fund raising event of the year, is only weeks away. The event will take place on Sunday, 29th September and we are hoping that a record number of Bourn pupils will take part in the 3K fun walk/run this year, including our new pupils from Class Acorn.

Speaking on behalf of the Bourn Primary teachers and teaching assistants, I should say that we look forward to working in partnership with all of our parents. If you have any concerns, no matter how small they may be, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or, if you feel it appropriate, me. I look forward to an exciting year ahead.

Christine Page

Head Teacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

COMMUNITY ASSEMBLIES

13 September	Class Maple
20 September	Class Cherry
27 September	Class Willow
4 October	Class Rosewood
11 October	Class Hazel
18 October	Harvest
25 October	Music
8 November	Class Acorn
15 November	Class Cedar
22 November	KS2 project
29 November	Out of school clubs and interests assembly
6 December	KS1 projects
13 December (9.05am)	Acorn Christmas play
20 December	Carol Service in School

EVENTS

6 September (9.00am)	Coffee morning for new parents
16 September (to 29 November)	After-School clubs start
18 September (7.30pm)	Essential Guide to the Year Ahead
14 October (3.30pm - 5.30pm)	Parents' consultations
16 October (5.30pm - 8.00pm)	Parents' consultations
18 October	Harvest festival (School only)
22 October (5.30pm - 8.00pm)	Parents' consultations
23 October (3.30pm - 5.30pm)	Parents' consultations
12 November	Individual school photographs
7 December	BSA Christmas Capers
10 December (afternoon and evening)	KS1/2 Christmas play
11 December (evening)	KS1/2 Christmas play
17 December (6.00pm)	Whole School Church Christmas service
18 December	Christmas Lunch
19 December	KS1 Christmas activity morning

TERM DATES 2013-2014

<i>Autumn term 2013</i>	
Autumn term starts	4 th September 2013
Half-term	28 th October - 1 st November 2013
Training day (school closed)	4 th November 2013
Autumn term closes	20 th December 2013
<i>Spring term 2014</i>	
Training day (school closed)	6 th January 2014
Spring term starts	7 th January 2014
Half-term	17 th - 21 st February 2014
Spring term closes	4 April 2014
<i>Summer term 2014</i>	
Training day (school closed)	22 nd April 2014
Summer term starts	23 rd April 2014
May Day	5 th May 2014
Training day (school closed)	23 rd May 2014
Half-term	26 th - 30 th May 2014
Summer term closes	23 rd July 2014