

Spring 1 Newsletter 16

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Friday 12th January 2024

Headteacher : Corinne Thomas

#### Dear Parents.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break and a Happy New Year.

LOTTERY FUNDED

It has been lovely to see all the children return to school for the Spring Term. It looks like, although a short term, a very busy one.

Each class have started their new topics which look really interesting, please look out for the termly curriculum newsletters which will give you an insight into what your children will be covering this term. You should be receiving these via email or they can be found on our school website.

We have had some new additions to our Budbrooke School community and I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to our friendly school. Some of you may have spotted a familiar face at the office hatch -I would like to welcome Dani back to Budbrooke, she will be covering the office on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings whilst Jess is on her maternity leave.

Next week we are having some playground work funded by the PTA on the Year 1/2 playground which will leave this out of action for a week. To accommodate this, we do need to make some organisational changes which were communicated yesterday. We realise this may cause some inconvenience but would appreciate your flexibility and support for the week.

Best wishes

Mrs Thomas

Headteacher

#### A message from Kids Club

The Kids Club phoneline is available to speak to a member of Kids Club Staff between 7.30am-8.45am and 3.30pm-6pm. If you need to leave a message for Kids Club between these hours this can be done via the School office between 8.45am-3.30pm.



#### **GOLDEN BOOK**

Pine- Mya

Elm- Emilia

Beech- George

Holly- Jenson

Chestnut— Harrison

Redwood— James Cherry— Faith



# Cherry Class Spotlight

We have made a great start to the new term and have enjoyed beginning our new topic 'Ground Breaking Greeks'. This week, we have looked at some basic facts about this incredible civilisation and have ordered significant events and figures on a timeline. We also had fun creating our own mythical beast! We have also started our new novel 'Who Let the Gods Out?' by Maz Evans, which follows the adventures of Elliot as he is forced to enlist the help of the gods to save not only his mum, but the entire world from the evil Thanatos. We started our new science topic as well, and have begun to find out about the planets and celestial bodies which make up our solar system. In addition, in our maths lessons, we began to gain a better understanding of the concept of ratio and proportion and have been using the symbols and appropriate scale factors to solve problems.

#### **Building Work**

From Monday 15th January until Friday 19th January we will be having building work on the Year 1 and 2 playground to install new play equipment for the children to enjoy during break and lunchtime which has been kindly funded by the PTA. Due to this we will be unable to open the side gate that is located on the school site near to the office.

For this week only drop off and pick up will be affected, we are asking that all Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 children are dropped and collected on the 3/4 playground through the back gate. Children in Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6 will need to be dropped and collected on the 5/6 playground using the front gates from Styles Close. Teachers will be positioned accordingly to receive and dismiss the children.











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## Well Being Ambassadors Update

Next week, the Budbrooke Well Being Ambassadors will have the opportunity to develop their leadership skills when they head to Kingsley School to take part in a training event with other Well Being Ambassadors from across the local area.

They will learn how to lead a Well-Being Festival, how to organise a variety of fun, exciting health and well-being exercises and activities, which they will then deliver at Budbrooke during the summer term.

The whole school event will include activities such as storytelling with story dice, active noughts and crosses and relays, Lego modelling, active rock, paper scissors, and making sporty finger puppets.

The Well Being Ambassadors have also been invited to work along side year 8 and 9 Aspire Sports Leaders from Campion School to run the Competition4U Archery on 27th February at Newbold Leisure Centre.

These events will give the WBAs the chance to be creative and inspire others to enjoy a fit and healthy life style and improve their well-being as well as continuing to develop their confidence and leadership skills.



#### January

15th-19th Y1/2 Playground development works

#### February

1st Phonics workshop for Reception & Year 1 parents (details to follow)

5th Netball Tournament

7th Holly class assembly 9.05am

8th Chinese New Year menu

8th PTA Disco

12th-16th Half Term

29th Phonics Screening Information Evening for Year 1 parents 5pm

KS2 SATs Information Evening for Year 6 parents 5pm

#### March

7th PTA Mothers Day Room

7th World Book Day menu

13th Redwood class assembly 9.05am

22nd INSET Day

# **Smart Watches**

Please do not send your child into school wearing a smart watch as these are not allowed as part of our uniform and can cause a distraction.

If your child would like to wear a watch analog or digital watches are allowed.



# A gentle reminder...

Scooters and cycles are not to be ridden on school grounds.

Please dismount before entering School grounds and push or carry until you are off the premises. Thank you.



#### **Reception School Place Application Deadline**

Parents and carers who have children who are due to start Reception in September have only till 5pm on Monday 15 January to apply for their school place.

This deadline of 15 January for a Reception place applies to children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020.

Applications should be made online at: <a href="www.warwickshire.gov.uk/primaryplace">www.warwickshire.gov.uk/primaryplace</a>. All parents and carers who apply by the deadline will receive their child's school offer on National Offer Day, 16 April 2024.

Applications that don't meet the 15 January deadline will only be considered once those submitted on time have been made offers, by which time many schools will be full, and the child is much less likely to be offered a place at their preferred school.

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## Parent Information Evenings

#### Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6

In the coming weeks, we will be holding information evenings for parents with children who will be taking a statutory assessment or Phonics Screening Check in the summer term.

The meetings are designed to give more information about the format of the tests/checks and to share ways in which parents can support children with their learning at home.

Each session will run from 5pm - 5:30pm at school. We invite parents with children in the following year groups to attend the relevant session. Please could we ask that children do not attend these meetings.

Year 1: Phonics Screening Check

Thursday 29th February, 2024

Year 2: End of Key Stage 1 SATS

Thursday 29th February, 2024

Year 4: Multiplication Tables Check

Tuesday 6th February, 2024

Year 6: End of Key Stage 2 SATS

Thursday 29th February, 2024

# FREE SCHOOL MEALS

School meals are free for lots of families, check if you are eligible to apply!

# So much more than lunch...

A free school meal:

- creates healthy eating habits
- improves learning and behaviour
- saves money and time
- helps schools get extra funding

Did you know
that claiming free
school meals
means that your
child will get access
to free school
holiday activities
and food?

To find out more and for help to apply for free school meals, please contact: freemeals@warwickshire.gov.uk or call 01926 359189





I like using a head string to count in tens. Every week, someone is chosen as Mathematician of the Week for their class.

I like it when Tiny makes mistakes and we have to find them.

I love maths. I love completing the challenges.

What Maths is like at Budbrooke.

I like it when we use whitehourds and draw pictures of our Maths learning. I love using the computers to practise our times tables.