

Bridgend Primary School & Nursery Class

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October 2018



Message from Mrs. Deas!

Holidays

15 th - 19 th Oct	October Week
22 nd October	In-service Day
21 st Dec	Last Day of Term
7 th January	Back to school
18 th February	Holiday
19 th February	In-Service Day

School Events

4 th Oct	Prize Bingo 7pm Community Centre
5 th Oct	Parent Council Bake Sale
9 th Oct	Parent Council AGM
23 rd Oct	Bridgend Bletcher
26 th Oct	Halloween Parties Nur - P3 : 12- 1.30pm P4-7: 2-3.30pm
6 th Nov	Parent Consultation meetings
7 th Dec	Christmas Fayre
12 th Dec	Trip to Panto

Welcome to our October newsletter.

We have had a busy term with masterclasses, Mindfulness sessions, Workout Wednesday's and much more! We are always busy at BPS and love planning new and exciting experiences for our learners. We have lots more wonderful things planned for term 2.. keep an eye out for information coming home in kids schools bags and on our school facebook and twitter page.

You will be aware that last week we had a team in school validating our strengths and helping us in identifying next steps to improve the school. Overall it was a very positive week and we would like to thank the parents who took time out of their busy schedule to meet with the team. We very much value your input. We will be creating an action plan from this process and will share this with you shortly.

I hope that you have a lovely October holiday and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school for a busy term 2!

Clare Deas
Head Teacher

School & Community Partnerships

Parent Council

Thank you to the new parents who have joined our parent council. Your help and support is very much appreciated. The Parent Council AGM will take place on Tuesday 9th at 6pm. Please come along.

Workout Wednesday

We are working in partnership with Mhairi Donald from Studio 44 who is delivering bootcamp sessions to our pupils on a Wednesday. Children should come dressed in workout clothes on this day. Mhairi is also working with a group of staff and parents who have committed to a 10 week health & fitness programme. If you are interested in joining this group please contact the school for more information.

Mindfulness

We are working in partnership with Robin Harris to deliver mindfulness sessions to all pupils in the school. Ask your child about mindfulness and get them to show you some relaxation techniques.



Bridgend School News!



Pantomime

Pupils from P1-7 will be going to the pantomime at Howden Park Centre on Wednesday 12th of December. The panto this year is 'Jack and the Beanstalk'

Mrs Mallon will set up a payment option for this on iPay Impact so you can pay for your child. The cost of this outing is £5 per child.

Nursery News

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new families. Thank you for choosing Bridgend Nursery class.

I would like to let you all know that Mrs Barron is assuming responsibility for the running of the nursery with immediate effect and she is the direct line manager for all nursery staff. Please continue to liaise with the nursery team on a daily basis but be mindful that you can contact Mrs Barron at any time. Just ask for her at the school office.

We would also like to congratulate Mrs Dooley who has accepted the post of Early Years Officer within our nursery - well done Mrs Dooley!

Staff Team:

Mrs Barron: Nursery Line Manager

Mrs Dooley: Early Years Officer

Miss Boyle: Graduate Early Years Officer

Mrs Macdonald: Nursery Nurse

In a few weeks time we will be having our first 'Nursery Natter' session. This will be an informal get together where you can chat with the nursery team about your views on the nursery and suggest ways where we can make it better for our learners. You will also have the opportunity to see your child's learning journey and to discuss this with them and a member of staff.

We are always looking for nursery parent helpers! If you could spare a few hours to help in the nursery this would be very much appreciated, Please speak to a member of staff.

As always, we are promoting independence within the nursery and it would be great if you could help your child at home by practicing to put on and take off their own shoes and jackets!

As we use our garden all year round (even when it is wet!) please make sure that your child has a suitable jacket and footwear.

We ask that you provide us with a change of clothes to be kept on your child's peg as accidents do happen!



Our first session of the Bridgend Bletcher was very well attended and highly successful. Parents who attended expressed how much they value this time, being able to look at their child's work and discuss targets and next steps with them.

The next Bridgend Bletcher takes place on the 23rd of October at 2.30pm.

Parent Consultations

6th November 2018

Our aim this year is to have **100%** attendance at parents evening!



School Bank

There is an agency called the School Bank in West Lothian and they can help with providing school uniform, winter jackets and school essentials.

If you would like to be considered and referred for this service please make yourself known to a member of staff and we can arrange this for you.