

DATES TO REMEMBER

The deadline for applying for year 3 and Nursery is 15th January 24.

<u>Fri 6 Oct</u>— National Grandparents Day

<u>Tue 10 Oct</u>—Year 2 trip to Godstone Farm

Mon 6 Nov—Nasal Flu Vaccinations . Deadline to complete econsent is 31 Oct

<u>Fri 10 Nov</u>—Remembrance assembly

<u>Fri 17 Nov</u>—Children in Need (come to school dressed in spots/ yellow and donate £1)

<u>Thur 30 Nov</u>—St Andrews Day (come to school dressed in blue and white)

> <u>Thur 7th Dec</u>—Community Christmas meal

Fri 8 Dec— Christmas jumper day and Christmas meal (come to school in a Christmas jumper and donate £1 to Save the Children)



Headteacher's Message

I can't quite believe it but we've made it to October already. We have had a fantastic first few weeks of the year with lots going on. Our new reception and nursery children have settled in to life at Chatsworth brilliantly and the children in years 1 and 2 have picked up where they left off last year. We've had individual photos with siblings from Burnt Oak for the first time, harvest festival, topic launches and lots more going on. We've got an even busier time planned for the next half term with parents' evenings, prospective parent tours, Christmas nativities, Christmas bazaar, community Christmas meal and lots more besides. We will also be looking at more ways we can bring Chatsworth and Burnt Oak closer together throughout the year—I can't wait!

Term Time Absence

As you are aware, any holiday that is taken during school term time will not be authorised. If you wish to take your child out of school during term time, you will need to follow the correct procedure of completing one of our Request for Term Time Absence forms BEFORE you go on holiday. These forms are available from the school office.



Buddies

Buddies are now operating a new booking system. To book your child's place please log into your Parentpay account and select clubs. All sessions will now need to be pre-booked. The cut off time for breakfast club is 3.00pm on the preceding working day and the cut off time for after school club is 11am on the day. Please not that should you wish to cancel a booking then you

must do so before 11am on the day to receive a refund.



Nasal Flu Vaccine

Nasal flu vaccinations will be taking place in school on Monday 6th November. Please complete the e-consent



form before 31st October.

Vacancies at The Pioneer Academy

To view the latest vacancies and career opportunities. Please click on the below link.



https://thepioneeracademy.co.uk/bexley/primary/pioneeracademy/site/pages/careeropportunities

Emails

If you are emailing any member of staff, please ensure you send it though the admin email. Thank you.

Harvest

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Harvest Festival.

We had a lovely display in the hall for our assembly. A member of Bexley Food Bank has collected the donations and they are very grateful. Thank you again.



Dogs

Dogs are not allowed on school grounds at the beginning or end of the school day. Please keep them outside of school or on the forecourt. Thank you.





Genes for Jeans

Thank you for all of your kind donations for Jeans for Genes Day. Together we managed to raise £130 for the charity.

Absence

Just a reminder, when reporting your child's absence from school please ensure you leave a detailed reason for their absence. Thank you.



Apply for Reception and Burnt Oak

All year 2 parents should now be applying for Burnt Oak. All Nursery parents should be applying for a Reception place. You



have until 15th January to submit your applications via the Bexley website.

Beginning of the day

We are helping the children to develop their resilience and independence. Therefore, we ask parents to release their child at the main gate and wait on the forecourt while the children walk down to the yellow brick road. It also gets very crowded on the path if parents are walking their child through the gate.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Emergency Contact Details

It is important we have the right information on our files to contact you in the case of an emergency. If you have moved house, changed your email address or mobile number or wish to change your emergency contacts, please contact the school office.



For next Half Term



Nicoles Dance

School—Every Monday

starting 6th Nov until 11th Dec



BFree Sports—Every Tuesday starting 7th Nov until 12th Dec



Centre Stage Theatre Academy—Every Thursday starting 2nd Nov until 14th Dec



Pro Futures Football—

Every Friday starting 3rd Nov until 14th Dec

End of the day

Just a reminder that we do not go out of school through the astro gate, this is because there are no railings or zigzags outside the gate and it therefore cannot be used as an exit.

Award Assembly

Parents who receive a School Ping are invited to attend our rewards assembly on Friday afternoons because your child will receive either the number 1 award or a head teacher kindness award. Invitations for this assembly will be sent at approx. 2pm on Thursdays.



Our current school attendance is 98.5%.



