

Bishop Road Primary School

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Head Teacher Letter No.1 /23-24

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year. We have many new families and children across the school. We trust you will soon feel part of the community and make new friends and contacts.

I am sure you will soon settle in and enjoy your time at Bishop Road.

There are new staff across the school whom I am sure you will welcome. Everyone is very pleased to have joined us and we look forward to building a relationship with them.

I enclose a date list for your information which runs up to Christmas. It is busy as usual! I do try not to alter dates as I know you make long term plans. However, I need to point out changes in the Inset days which have been made for several reasons, one of which is to finish for children on Friday 19th July 2024 instead of Tuesday 23rd July 2024. These INSET days will be deployed as six valuable twilight training evenings across the year for teachers. The new dates are as follows.

Dates for INSET 2023-2024

Thursday 7th Sept

Friday 8th Sept

Monday 30th Oct

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

If you have already arranged and booked a travel plan for the 2nd January 2024 please inform Mrs Cooper in the school office now, as I don't wish to cause you difficulties with this change if you relied on this date.



INSET Days

Thursday 7th September the training is focussed on our Architecture theme, which is our project for this year. It is going to be so interesting to look at the fabric and function of buildings both locally and further afield. I'm sure the children will be telling you fascinating information as we go along. Friday 8th September is our annual whole staff meeting and safeguarding training.

Census Day

On Thursday 5th October we take the school census. Our funding is mainly based on the number of children on roll at that time. We also receive money according to the number of children who take a free school meal on that day. Please only let us know if **you are unhappy** for your child to have a free meal in Reception, Years 1 or 2. The menu will be Fish and Chips and a vegetarian option. Thank you!

Thank you so much for all the fundraising and goodwill which helped us provide the splendid adventure structure in the central playground. It is an exciting asset to our school. Well done everyone!

I look forward to seeing you as the terms progress. Thank you for all your positivity and support, which makes our school such a vibrant and caring community.

Yours sincerely,



Gillian Powe
Head Teacher



