

Tuesday 4th October 2022

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely weekend. It was another fun week at Begbrook last week with some joy-filled learning taking place across the academy. The children have been engaging really positively with their learning and most classes were busy creating end of unit writing pieces towards the end of the week. The children created some fantastic pieces of writing and we're really pleased with their efforts at 'being authors' so early in the school year!

Our Bristol Sport lunchtime and after school clubs are going well and the children are also really enjoying taking part in the Outdoor Project after school club. We are looking into trying to get some more extra-curricular clubs in place for term 2 and hope to give you an update on this as it progresses.

Below are a few pieces of information and updates that will be of interest to you.

Termly curriculum newsletters

We hope you enjoyed receiving the new termly curriculum newsletter which will have informed you about the learning that will be taking place in your child's class this term. We will be sending these out each term so that you are up to date with the learning taking place across the year.

Parents Evening – term 1

Parents evening will be in person in term 1 and will be taking place on Tuesday 18^{th} October (3.40 – 7.00pm) and Wednesday 19^{th} October (3.40 – 6.00pm). Further details will be sent out closer to the time but we wanted to let you know the dates so you can provisionally put them in your diaries.

Reception and Year 7 (2023) applications reminder

Parents with children born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 need to be aware that they must make an application for Reception in September 2023 **by midnight on 15th January 2023.** The national submission date for on-time applications for a Year 7 Secondary School place for Sept 2023 is **Midnight on 31st October 2022** and this is when the on-line system will close.

School Admissions information is available on-line for parents/carers to view and download.

School email contact

Please note that the year group email addresses are no longer working. These email boxes were set up in response to the Covid-19 pandemic and served a good purpose at the time. However, in an attempt to stream line communications between home and school and to support our teachers with work load and wellbeing, we will now be moving back to all emails to staff coming through the info@bpa.clf.uk email address. All emails will be signposted to the relevant member of staff from this inbox. We apologise for the short notice of this change.



Medication consent forms

Please can all parents and carers ensure that any medication (anti-biotics etc.) required to be administered in the school day is given directly to the office staff and that a medical consent form is signed. We will be unable to administer medication without a consent form being signed.

Parent and carer volunteers

The academy is always looking for parent volunteers to support with class trips and additional reading. If you have an interest in volunteering on a regular basis, please do ask for a volunteer application form in the main office.

We hope you have a good week.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Counsell

Principal