



Thursday 17th February 2022

Dear Families

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and ready for a nice half term break ahead. I wanted to thank you all, for all your support to school over the first half term of 2021. What a great one it has been. We have loved seeing children Sparkle and Shine in school as part of our whole school theme and thank you for always working so well with us to truly give the best for our children. A brilliant Wellbeing Week was had last week, which saw children enjoy our first whole school day trip in a long time. The children were an absolute credit to Birdsedge and it was wonderful to see everyone enjoying the day together. Something we hope we can do lots more of, especially in the Summer Term. We are currently busy planning our next Enrichment Week in March which will be Science Week – look out for Miss Hutton's letter which will be coming out this week to explain some of the things we have planned that families can join in with.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to welcoming all children back on Monday 28th February. Mrs. Waddington.

Covid 19 Updates

Although working more together as a whole school, instead of class bubbles, we will still remain vigilant and cautious in terms of Covid 19. We will continue to ensure good hygiene routines and a clear air flow through the school building is in place. We have a contingency plan in place should an outbreak occur and will communicate with families quickly should we need to put this in place. Plan and Risk Assessment available on our website.

Ms. Spark

Today we say good bye and good luck to Ms. Spark as she starts her retirement. Ms. Spark has worked with so many children and families throughout her time here at Birdsedge First School and we thank her for all she has done. We will be having a special assembly to celebrate Ms. Spark and wish her well at 2:30pm today. Families are welcome to join us 😊

Dates for the Diary

Fri 18th Feb: Friends of Birdsedge Tuck Shop

Fri 18th Feb: Last Day of half term

Mon 28th Feb: First Day back after the half term holiday

Thurs 3rd March: World Book Day. Dress as a Book Character for the day. Parents/Carers invited into school at 2:45pm for hot chocolate, cookies and to enjoy some reading time with their child and then join in the class story time at the end of the day.

Friday 4th March: Book Fair – Children can bring money to spend during the afternoon and visit with parents after school.

Monday 14th March: Science Week

Friday 18th March: Red Nose Day – Noses available from the office

Clubs

A reminder of Clubs next half term:

Monday: Art Club

Wednesday: Multi Skills

Thursday: Street Dance

Friday: Bush Craft

We also have Rhythm Time Sessions every **Monday**

Morning:

9.45am Toddlers (from walking)

10.30am Babies (birth to walking).

Book www.rhythmtime.net/find-a-class

Tree Tots every Wednesday morning 9:30am – 10:30am

Friends of Birdsedge

As always, our wonderful Friends of Birdsedge Group have been busy planning events to raise money for enrichments for children in school. Below are some of the things coming up both school and the group would appreciate your support of:

Friday 18th March: Pamper Night at school.

Friday 25th March: Mother's Day Secret Shop

Friday 8th April: Fancy Dress and Easter Bonnet Competition in school

Thursday 26th May: FoB will be helping us to organise a special afternoon family Tea Party at school to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. Fun, music and games for children and their families.

Communication

<https://twitter.com/birdsedgefirst>

<https://www.facebook.com/BirdsedgeFirstSchool>

<https://birdsedgefirst.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofbirdsedge>

Forest Friends

Please do have a look for further details and share our booking form link – this can be used at any time to book Holiday Club days for the Easter Holiday but also for the rest of the school year.

<https://forms.office.com/r/8kUk1vtWvp>

