



Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Families

It's hard to believe that we are only at the end of our second week back after the holidays. Already it feels like we have been back months! I say that in a completely positive way and with a huge smile. We have achieved so much in these last two weeks and children feel so settled and happy in their new year groups. We are excited for the year ahead and have lots of ideas for trips and experiences linked to children's topics – individual teachers will be in touch regarding these and keep you updated with curriculum newsletters we will be sharing. What a positive and productive start it has been. Thank you, for all your support in this wonderful return to school.

Mrs. Waddington ☺

Start of the Day

We love our uplifting start to the day with Wake Up, Shake Up but we are also mindful of curriculum time. To try and make a more prompt start to assembly and lessons each morning, we will be making sure we line up and head into school at 8:55am. Wake Up Shake up will start promptly at 8:45am, where everyone is welcome and all children need to be on the playground at 8:55am. Please note, children arriving after this time will receive a late mark in the register.

It may be just a few minutes but over time it can really count and really make a difference.

I thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

Curriculum Experiences and Enrichments

We are busy developing our Curriculum further this year and one thing we have started to map out are the Enrichment Experiences through themed weeks for the whole school. Some things I wanted to draw your attention to regarding this are:

- Science Week – 10th – 19th March. If you have any skills or links to potential Science related workshops or experiences or could help with the Science Fair please let me know!
- Careers Week – WB 22nd May. If you have any skills or knowledge in your field of work or even have any opportunities for visits we could make, please do get in touch. I would love to run a careers fair of different jobs and any links you have or time you commit yourself would really help us.
- Explorers Week – Just for information, we will be taking the whole school on trip to a contrasting location as part of Geography topics during the final summer term. Something after the success of Filey we know will be a lovely end to the school year.

Friends of Birdsedge

A thank you to Friends of Birdsedge, as always, for the amazing support and time they commit to our school. Here are some of the things they are busy with right now:

- Supporting the Snack Cart every Wed and Thurs
- Organising enterprise opportunities for children to raise funds towards a school trip. The first ones are spooky decorations children are going to make to sell.
- Spooky Disco Thursday 20th October

The Group also has a Page on the School Website:

[Friends of Birdsedge | Birdsedge First School](#)

This is being redeveloped and will be used more for updates and communication so do give it a visit regularly.

As ever, this amazing work completely relies on volunteers and support from parents. If you would like to be involved in the group, in any way please do contact us at school.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 20th Sept: Y3-5 Cross Country 4pm Shelley College

Tuesday 27th Sept: Rec – Y2 Cross Country 4pm Shelley College

Thursday 20th Oct: Friends of Birdsedge Spooky Disco

Friday 21st Oct: Last Day of the Half Term, school reopens on Monday 31st October

Communication

<https://twitter.com/birdsedgefirst>
<https://www.facebook.com/BirdsedgeFirstSchool>
<https://birdsedgefirst.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/friendsofbirdsedge>

HD8 Network

Just a reminder of the HD8 Network we are members of:
[Birdsedge Tree Tots - HD8 Network](#)