



Wednesday 18th December 2024

Dear Families

I cannot quite believe I am writing to you at the end of our first term already. The end of a year is often a time for reflection and thinking about the year gone and I could not be more fulfilled when I think about 2024 for Birdsedge. It has seen school grow, with our pupil numbers reaching the highest they have been in the last 5 years, welcomed new staff to our growing team and some wonderful new families we have loved getting to know. There are some much needed thanks to be given out for all that has been achieved so far, please do check out the Thank You box for some important recognition for a number of groups of people.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas – I hope the two weeks are filled with all things family (and food) and we shall look forward to seeing you in what I am sure is going to be another Birdsedge BEST 2025.

Miss B 😊

After School Clubs

Mon: Nerf Gun Fun

Tues: Art Club

Wed: Football

Thurs: Games Club

Fri: Bushcraft

Clubs start back in week 2 of the new half term in January

Dates for the Diary

Friday 20th December: Class Christmas Parties – Non Uniform Day

Friday 20th December: Families invited to join us from 2:45pm for a family carol service to finish the term.

Monday 6th January: School Reopens to all children

Friday 10th January: Family Celebration Assembly 3pm

Tuesday 28th January: Year 1 Multiskills 9:30am Shelley College.

Friday 7th February: FoB Break the Rules Day

Friday 7th February: FoB Evening Singo Bingo

Thursday 13th February: FoB Valentine Disco

Monday 17th February – Friday 21st

HD8 Network

Just a reminder of the HD8 Network we are members of!

www.hd8network.co.uk

Communication

<https://twitter.com/birdsedgefirst>

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

<https://birdsedgefirst.org>

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

Thank You

Staff – a great big thank you to the absolute Dream Team of Staff I feel very privileged to work with. This term they have worked so hard, been so collaborative and made sure the education and pastoral care for all children is truly Birdsedge BEST.

Governors – a wonderful group of people who volunteer their time to make sure outcomes for children at Birdsedge are the best they can be. Every bit of time, energy, effort and thought they give is so very important and so very much appreciated. A huge welcome too, to our new Parent Governors Alice Lowe and Becky Barrett.

Friends of Birdsedge – some amazing fundraising efforts from the group just in this term, thank you for all the time and effort you volunteer, you really are Birdsedge Superheroes.

Parents and Families – to each and every one of you who shows such support and engagement day in day out, we couldn't do it without you.

Pupils – the reason we are here and the reason our job is such a privilege and a pleasure, we could not be more proud of our wonderful children after this term.

THANK YOU!

Parking

An important reminder and ask this month to help us better safeguard each other and our children at drop off and pick up times. I know a lot of families need to arrive at school by car due to distances being travelled and parking can be limited, however, please be mindful of where you park – avoiding blocking driveways, bus stops and being too close to junctions. Visibility can be really reduced when parking across or close to any of these three things and this can be a risk to children, families and members of the public.

We always pride ourselves in working together and this is something I am asking you to work with me on. I can't keep up with the workload the communications I am getting regularly regarding parking around school brings and ask that we find a way to try and be a little more mindful in helping to make it better and most importantly safer for all. Thank you.