



**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

Dear Families

Well another busy few weeks have gone by at Birdsedge First – we are finally (phew) through January and well into February. Thank you for all the help and support to school over the recent weeks as always. Thank you for every friendly interaction, for every check in and for being so nice – it really does make such a difference to our hard working staff 😊 Please can I ask that you make sure you have liked and follow our Facebook and Instagram Pages if you are users – we are working really hard to keep these updated and give you a better insight into what is happening in classrooms on a more regular basis.

There are a few useful updates on here so please do find some time to read and as always please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or thoughts. Wishing you all a wonderful half term break when it gets here and we'll look forward to welcoming children back on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February after our INSET day. Miss B 😊

### After School Clubs

**Gymnastics Starts Monday**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> March 5 weeks**

**Art Club with Mrs Cotton Starts**  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 6 weeks**

**Bushcraft Starts Wednesday**  
**26<sup>th</sup> February 5 weeks**

**Yoga Starts Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February**  
**4 weeks**

### Unwanted Gift Donations

If anyone has any donations of these please can you bring them for Leanne who is organising a Kirkwood Hospice Coffee Morning.

### Science Week

For Week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> March we will be celebrating Science Week in school with a range of activities dedicated to all things Science for children in classrooms. There will also be a Science Project Competition children can work on at home and present during the week – this should be around the theme of **Change and Adaptation**. For example, how animals change or adapt, processes of change, changing habitats, the changing world, changing technology....take your pick! We are also inviting families to come into school from **2pm** on the **Friday** of that week to join children in Science activities and view projects.

### Dates for the Diary

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February:** School Closed for Half Term Holiday

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February:** INSET Day School Closed

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February:** Swimming Starts for Year 5

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February:** KS2 Mixed Football 4pm 5pm

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March** World Book Day

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March:** School Open from **2pm** for parents to join in Science activities with their children

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** Parents Evening

### Parents Evening

We have Parents Evening Scheduled for Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March later on when we return after the half term break. Please look out for bookings becoming available in the new half term and be sure to book an appointment. If you are unable to make the times/day available please do contact your child's teacher so we can arrange an alternate time.

### World Book Day

World Book Day will be being celebrated in school on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – we will have a number of things dedicated to the love of books on this day which we will share with you in the new half term but just a heads up – children will be allowed to come to school in anything they wish to enjoy a day of reading...comfy clothes, pyjamas for bedtime stories or dressed as a character from a book. As usual doors will be open early at 3:15pm on this day for parents to come and sit in and enjoy class story times with their children. Friends of Birdsedge will also be organising Willy Wonka Chocolate bars to purchase with a chance to win a Golden Ticket!

### Communication

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<https://birdsedgefirst.org>

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

@birdsedgefirstschool on Instagram  
[www.hd8network.co.uk](http://www.hd8network.co.uk)

### Attendance

By the end of the first week back, you should all have your child's third attendance report for this school year – reporting on attendance up to the end of Spring Term 1 (September - February) Please look out for these coming home in book bags in Week 1.