



Monday 9th February 2026

Dear Families

Hello and welcome to another month and another newsletter. It has been a busy half term since returning to school after Christmas and I thank you all for all the ways you continue to support school and work with staff. There are a number of updates on here and some dates for the diary to hopefully help with planning and organising, so please do take some time to read and do reach out if there is anything you need to ask or any feedback you have.

We are looking forward to a positive final week of the half term this week for Children's Mental Health Week. Keep an eye on the social media pages to see what we get up to! Wishing you all a great week and a lovely half term when it gets here.

Miss Barker 😊

Dates for the Diary

Remember, we have a parent planner on the website that we will keep updated of important dates for families to know.

[Parent Planner | Birdsedge First School](https://birdsedgefirst.org/parents/parent-planner)

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Monday 9th Feb: Children's Mental Health Week.

Friday 13th Feb: Clas 1 Family Assembly

Friday 13th Feb: Last Day of the Half term, school then closes for 1 week for the half term holiday.

Monday 23rd Feb: School Reopens after the half term break

Wednesday 4th March: Parents Evening

Week Beginning 9th March: Science Week

Friday 13th March: FoG Mother's Day Secret Shop

Friday 20th March: Wear something Red for Comic Relief Day

HD8 Network

Just a reminder of the HD8 network

www.hd8network.co.uk

Communication

<https://twitter.com/birdsedgefirst>

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

<https://birdsedgefirst.org>

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

Subject Spotlight – PSHE

PSHE is a subject we teach discreetly weekly but also a subject we bring into day-to-day interactions, routines and assemblies all the time. Our House Points Challenge often has a focus on behaviours and attitudes and we have a long term PSHE assembly plan that covers the wider areas of Personal Development children need to learn about such as Protected Characteristics and British Values. The whole school theme this half term is 'We are Respectful' and we are focusing on the unit 'Appreciate' from our My Happy Mind program we use to deliver PSHE lessons. Next half term we will be exploring 'We are Inclusive'. Next week we will be marking Children's Mental Health Week in school with assemblies, activities in classes and some dance workshops for all children.

Holiday Clubs

Just a reminder that I have created a register of interest at the link below with some more information about possible Holiday Club Days and to collect data on possible numbers for the school holidays ahead. If this is something you would use or be interested in, please do have a look and let us know so we can hopefully set some days for you to book in. I have also now added options for the Summer Holiday if anyone is planning ahead.

[Forest Friends Holiday Club Register of Interest – Fill out form](#)

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An Update from Friends of Birdsedge

Our Friends of Birdsedge have been busy as ever in the background recently, planning for enrichments and fundraising. Just some of the things the group have bought or are bringing for children over the recent 12 months include replenished books for Class 2 & 3 Library, contributions towards transport costs for upcoming trips, Easter eggs for all, providing School Council with a budget and contribution towards Forest School resources and provision.

The group have a number of events coming up – the ever popular Mother's Day and Father's Day Shops will be back this year and a fun Easter Egg hunt, with an egg for all children will be happening next half term. There will also be fun for grown ups too with Singo Bingo and Race Night evening events being planned.

Sending a huge thank you as always to our wonderful Friends of Birdsedge group and all who support them – our little school could not be where it is without you 😊