



**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**

Dear Families

I wanted to wish you all a very happy holiday as we reach the end of another super half term in school. It has been another great one that has been full to the brim with activity. We are so proud of our Class 3 children who were excellent, in every way, during our recent Residential visit. We feel very grateful for the staff who put so much into the trip and you as parents who together helped children get the most out of the experience. Similarly, our annual Maypole Celebration was supported so well and we thank you for coming together for this in such a positive way. This week has also seen great engagement and generosity from all children during communities week – children are indeed the future and we are so proud of our Birdsedge pupils learning about their important place in the world. Sending you all a huge thank you for your ongoing support – see you back in school on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June! Miss Barker 😊

### Dates for the Diary 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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**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Class 2 Assembly 3pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Last Day of Half Term School closes for 1 week and 1 day

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – School Re-opens to all after the half term break

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June** – Year 5 Music Festival

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Sports Day Afternoon

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – FOB Father's Day Secret Shop

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Non Uniform Day for donations of sweets or chocolate for the tombola

### Subject Spotlight – French

Bonjour!

This month our subject spotlight showcases modern foreign languages. We use an online website called Language Angels to teach basic conversational French throughout the school. Although not statutory in KS1, class 1 take part in fun activities and songs to give them an introduction into the importance of learning a different language and knowing about other cultures of the world. It has been a necessary part of the KS2 curriculum for the last ten years and allows children to learn basic language patterns, phonics and conversations for familiar scenarios of life, such as going to a café, the seasons of the year, fruits and vegetables, families and general greetings. All this gives a good grounding for taking on an additional language when older.

Merci Beaucoup

Mrs Maundrill (MfL Subject Lead Grange Moor Primary)

### After School Clubs this Half Term

With this term being 7 weeks, we will run the clubs for 5 weeks commencing on, so nothing the first or last week.

**Monday** Lego - **Tuesday** Art/Craft with Mrs Cotton -

**Wednesday** Bushcraft **Thursday** Dance & **Friday** Cooking.

Please email or call to add your child onto a club.

### HD8 Network

Just a reminder of the HD8 Network

[www.hd8network.co.uk](http://www.hd8network.co.uk)

### Communication

<https://twitter.com/birdsedgefirst>

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

<https://birdsedgefirst.org>

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

A huge hello from Mrs S, the trusts 'School Improvement Officer'! I feel very fortunate to work in a role that allows me to support schools in making a positive difference every day. At present, I have the privilege to work on site at Birdsedge, where I can see first-hand the commitment, care and ambition that run through the school community.

One of the things I value most is working alongside our wonderful children and highly skilled staff. The children bring energy, curiosity and a genuine enthusiasm for learning, which makes every day rewarding. The staff at Birdsedge are equally inspiring, and their dedication to providing the very best opportunities for every child is clear in all that they do.

I would also like to offer a personal thank you to parents for their passion to support the school. Your encouragement, involvement and continued belief in the work of the school make a real difference. It is a pleasure to be part of such a strong and caring community, and I am proud to contribute to its ongoing success.