

Beacon View Primary News

Dear parents/carers

Welcome back, it has been fantastic to have all the children back in school this week. They have returned to school with enthusiasm and smiles which is great to see. The second autumn term is one of my favourites, despite the dark nights and we have so much planned for the next seven weeks up to Christmas.

As I was on the gate yesterday, it was exciting to hear adults and children discussing their roles for the KS1 Christmas play and I know the same will be the same for EYFS. We are going to have Christmas performances this year. We believe this is an important part of the children's school experience and we haven't been able to do it for the last two years. It is very likely that we will have to film them and share them with parents/carers in a secure way due to COVID. We are well into planning for this now, to ensure we can make it happen for everyone.

Next week we are holding our parent consultation evening to tie in with assessment week – where the children will get a chance to show everything they have learnt this year - and also my first Principal's coffee/tea session. As ever, you will find me or Mrs Mitchell on the gate in a morning if you want to catch up or bring something to our attention.

With many fireworks events going on this weekend and the dark nights drawing in, please have a safe weekend and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday morning.

Kind regards, Sally Hodgson



Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday

As a school we will pause at 11am on Thursday 11th November to remember those who have sacrificed their lives for our freedoms. We have poppies in the office for you or your children to purchase via a donation. We also have other items with a suggested donation of 50p for items such as pencils, pencil sharpeners, rubbers and bracelets. We also have Poppy Pins for a suggested donation of £2.

Iron on Badges and uniform

HURRAH—the iron on badges have finally arrived! Thank you for your patience!

Thank you to all the parents who have already collected their free badge and have since bought additional ones. If you would like a free one to try please ask at Reception and the office team will sort out your free badge. If you want to order badges and can't get into school, please either phone or drop an email to school@beaconviewprimary.co.uk and send the money in an envelope with your child's name on and we will send the badges back for you. Badges cost £1 each, after your free one.

Uniform is looking fantastic across the school - the children look so very smart. Thank you for all you have done to support our drive on uniform.

Please can I remind everyone that the children should have their school logo jumper, fleece or cardigan on every day including on PE days. We have seen a few brightly coloured hoodies and track suit bottoms appearing on PE days. On PE days tracksuit bottoms/leggings need to be blue, black or grey.

Attendance Statistics

We aim for all children to be in school every day. Each week a certificate for the best class attendance will be given out. Last week the class with the highest attendance was

Triumph with 94.8% attendance. Well done Triumph!

Updates and reminders

Beacon View Reception Admissions - APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

If you have children in Pre-school and want to get your application in early to join Beacon View Reception classes in September 2022 then apply at <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/schools/admissions/apply-to-start-school/> **Deadline is Saturday January 15th.**



Children in Need—Friday 19th November

We invite all children and staff to come in fancy dress or non-school uniform on Friday 19th November to help support Children in Need. We would like to raise as much money as possible for this charity and therefore we will be asking for donations on the gates in the morning. Please give as much as you can afford. Donation buckets will be with the bagels. We also have some Pudsey pins and Pudsey bracelets for sale in the office for £1 each.

Parking at Marsden Road



You may have seen Mrs Mitchell and me outside of school last night looking at the parking situation on Marsden Road. Please can I remind all adults that there is a car park at the bottom of Marsden Road on the right if you need to park and there isn't space. It is essential that we all work together as we move around that area to ensure everyone's safety. I will be contacting the Head Teacher at St Paul's to ask if she can also remind her parents about this. It is very challenging with parking being used by both schools, the shops, the community centre and the library all in such a small space. Please respect the road markings to ensure that you are safe.



School Photos Monday 22nd November

On school photograph day, please can all children come to school in a polo shirt and their school jumper, fleece or cardigan. If your child has PE and you want them to wear full school uniform and bring their tracksuit bottoms/leggings and trainers that is fine. The photos will only be from the waist upwards, therefore they should be okay with their PE kit on the bottom half. There will be an opportunity for parents/carers to bring their children together for a siblings' photograph before the school day begins if this is something you would like to have. We will let you have details about this nearer the time.

Parent Consultation evening—Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th November

Letters have been sent home with children today for this. Please return your slip with your preferred appointment time on Monday and we will confirm timings on Tuesday.

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Future Dates

Just want to help ensure you are ready for upcoming events.

Wednesday 10th November

Parents evening

Tuesday 16th November

Open Evening for Sept 2022 Starters

Wednesday 10th November

Parents evening

Monday 15th November

Odd Sock Day

Monday 22nd November

School Photographs

Tuesday 30th November

Flu Nasal Spray Immunisation

Thursday 16th December

Last day of term

Non—uniform Days

Friday 12th November

Children in Need

Thursday 16th December (Last day of Term)

Christmas Jumper day

There will be another three dates in 2022, we will update you on these in the New Year.

All term dates are on our school website which can be accessed [here](https://www.beaconviewprimary.co.uk/).

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