



# Newsletter

## 21st July 2021

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### School and Nursery reopen Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September



I think my final summer newsletter of 2020 said that it had been the most unusual year I had ever experienced in my time as a teacher/headteacher but 2020-2021 has given us an equal number of challenges, complications and new ways of learning.

It hasn't been easy at times but, as always, the resilience and determination of staff and pupils to make the best of a tricky situation has amazed me again and I am so proud of leading such a wonderful school with such fantastic people – both young and not so young!!

Thank you once again for your support this year – for following guidance, that has been frustrating at times, and the kind words you have provided. A massive well done to all the work you did to support the online/remote learning – thanks to you, the academic 'gaps' remain small despite a lengthy absence from school for some pupils.

I would like to say thank you to the governors who have supported us so well again during the year and providing us with sweet treats when we were a bit low and helped out with the marshalling outside in all sorts of weathers!

Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Field are packing away their teaching resources for the last time after many years of outstanding commitment to providing the best learning opportunities they could for pupils at BPS and in other schools. We thank them for their contribution to the life of the school and wish them well in their new adventures. We also say goodbye to Mr. Cottrill who has spent over a decade teaching BPS pupils – I know that he will leave a lasting memory in the minds of many of our pupils both past and present and we hope he enjoys the challenges of his role in a new school. Miss. Dalton has been a part-time cleaner at the school for the last three years and now starts her career as a teacher in Worcestershire and Mrs. Jennings, one of our Nursery TA's, is also starting on her journey to become a teacher – good luck to both of them! Miss. Gibson (Year 1 TA) is starting maternity leave as her baby is due in September – we wish her all the best and can't wait to see the new arrival in the new term.

We are also losing a fantastic Year 6 cohort who have impressed all of us over the years with their hard work, strong sense of fairness and fun, determination to succeed and the various talents that they possess. Their new secondary schools will certainly be lucky to have them and we are sorry to see them go but we know there are many new exciting challenges that they will thoroughly enjoy in the future – Good Luck!!

The rest of the school will be back in school on the 6th September 2021. We will send you an update on essential information towards the end of the summer holiday. In the meantime, have a great summer and fingers crossed that next year is a little more 'normal' – whatever normal is in the 2020's!!

# IMPORTANT NOTICE

## Change to school uniform

From September children will be allowed to wear black trainers instead of school shoes if they wish. Please note they must be **black** and **not canvas or pumps**.



Trainers can be less expensive than school shoes and are much more practical and comfortable for playing outside.

Children can wear their PE kits on PE days and Forest School clothes on their Forest School days. This means they will not be wearing school shoes everyday, so instead of spending money on school shoes which can be very expensive parents have the option of buying a good pair of trainers for school which can be worn every day.



### Hoodies

We have asked our uniform supplier Marks and Spencer to supply hoodies with our school logo on and we will let you know when you are able to order them via the Marks and Spencer website. We hope to have them available to order by September.

### Reporting a positive Covid case

To help avoid the possible transmission of any positive cases of Covid we would be grateful if you could inform the school office by email if a child should test positive on a LTF or PCT test anytime up to and including Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

[office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk)

In September should your child be showing any symptoms or have tested positive via an LTF or PCR test please do not send them to school. Please inform the school office.



## School Lunches

We will be welcoming our new caterers to school in September. School Lunches will be provided by the kitchen staff from St Anne's Primary School in Bewdley.

During the summer holidays we will be investing in new equipment for our kitchen to enable some of the food preparation and cooking to be done on site.

Every day there will be main or vegetarian meal and an alternative choice of a filled jacket potato or a sandwich plus a salad bar and fresh bread. The meal price is £2.20.

Please share the menu with your child and let them choose their meals. It would be really helpful if you order your meal via Parent Pay even if you do not have to pay for it by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> August..

Here is the link to our September menu which is on our school website –

<https://www.bewdleyprimary.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2751&type=pdf>

