



**Newsletter**  
**17<sup>th</sup> December 2021**  
**[www.bewdleyprimary.co.uk](http://www.bewdleyprimary.co.uk)**



**TED DAY: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**  
**SCHOOL OPENS: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

What a glorious but busy end to this term! The performances have been wonderful and it has been so lovely to see the children back on the stage again. Today we went to the church and sang a selection of our show songs along with some whole school songs and it was great to be able to do this again. After a difficult start to the term, this last half term has been surprisingly straightforward (from a Covid point of view) and we have been lucky to escape without any more outbreaks. Let's hope that the new year can start in the same way. Thank you for your ongoing support and patience.

I would like to thank the staff who have worked so hard to make sure that we can do as many 'normal' school events as possible.

We had a few glitches with the school Christmas dinner this week but, fortunately, with a little help from the staff at St. Anne's working flexibly and our staff giving up their meals, no child went without. The issue was around non-booking of meals or where parents thought they had booked but did not complete the process so the order was then removed again. We realise that the system was complicated (constraints of ParentPay) and are looking for ways to improve this. Could we also ask that you read all communication carefully (the process for booking Christmas meals was sent out 4 times) and please book in plenty of time for all events as the office staff get very upset having to say no when deadlines have passed. Even when they are able to flex the deadline, this also results in extra administration time to produce barcodes for payments as well as additional time to go and buy extra supplies which staff have to do in their own time. Sometimes, we are unable to extend the deadline as tickets or other items have been purchased and we cannot accommodate orders later. This means that children then miss out which none of us want. If you are having any difficulties with the booking process or payments please contact us as early as possible before a deadline so we can support you – no one wants to say no!

There has been a marked increase in the uptake of hot meals this term (including staff!) and this is a reflection of the quality of the food that the St Anne's caterers have provided for us. If your child does not currently have hot dinners, it may be something you want to try in the new year as the children and staff have been very positive about the food they have been given. The meals obviously comply with all the statutory Healthy Food guidance and it can be helpful to know that your child has had a good, hot meal during the day which can take the pressure of teatime meals.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and enjoyable Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Mrs Woakes



## Term Dates for Jan 2022-July 2022

<b>Spring Term 2022</b>	
TED	Tuesday 4th January
School Reopens	Wednesday 5th January
Half Term	Monday 21st - Friday 25th February
Term Ends	Friday 8th April
<b>Summer Term 2022</b>	
School Reopens	Monday 25th April
Half Term	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June
Term Ends	Thursday 21st July
<b>Other Dates</b>	
Good Friday	Friday 15th April
Easter Monday	Monday 18th April
May Day	Monday 2nd May
Queens Platinum Jubilee	Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June

## Sept 2022-July 2023 Term Dates

<b>Autumn Term 2022</b>	
TED	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
TED	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
School Reopens	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
TED	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022
Term Ends	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
<b>Spring Term 2023</b>	
TED	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023
School Reopens	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Half Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
Term Ends	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
<b>Summer Term 2023</b>	
TED	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
School Reopens	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023
Term Ends	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
<b>Other Dates</b>	
Good Friday	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
Easter Monday	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
May Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023

## Reminders for the New Term

### Swimming

Swimming starts week commencing 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Year 3 Swimming** – Thursdays

**Year 4 Swimming** – Wednesdays



### After School Clubs

Please look out for After School Club information in January.



### **Toast**

**(5<sup>th</sup> January to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022)**

Orders for a piece of toast for morning break for the next half term can be made from Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

Orders can be made via Parentpay and must be made for the complete half term. The cost for the 6 weeks and 3 days will be £9.90 (£1.50 per week / 30p per day)

**Orders will be accepted until 1pm on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.** No orders will be accepted after this date. If you require any further information please contact the school office.

**Are you a parent ?**

**Is life losing it's  
Sparkle?**

Are you ...

Depressed ... Anxious ... Irritable ... Angry ?

Do you have trouble sleeping, have difficulty concentrating,  
problems in controlling your emotions,  
or is life just losing its sparkle?

**Register today to reserve your free place!!!**

**A 10-week group will take place  
each Friday from 10am – 12pm  
at Bewdley Primary School, DY12 1BL  
Starting on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022.**

**For more information or to join:**

**Telephone: 01562 827207**

**Or email us: [admin.wyreforest@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:admin.wyreforest@barnardos.org.uk)**



## **Mood Masters**

Starting Well are running Mood Masters from Friday 21st January 10am - 11am at school. To register and reserve your free place please contact the number on the flyer above or email Mrs Bennett ([jbennett@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:jbennett@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk)) and she will liaise with you.

## **Family Drop In**

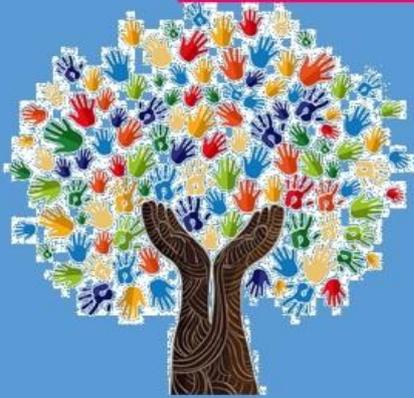
We will be running a Family Drop In at school every Friday morning, from 9am-9:45am, starting on 7th January 2022. This will be a time for parents and carers to drop in to meet Sarah and Estelle, the Parent Support Workers within the team to offer a friendly face and support as required.

# **Family Drop In**

## **Bewdley Primary School**

### **Fridays, 9am—10am**

*Commencing 14th January 2022*



Supporting parents/carers of children and young people aged 0—19 years in developing confidence and resilience in their role

All parents/carers welcome

Top-tips, Information, Advice & Guidance

Refreshments provided

**For more information please speak to a member of school staff, or call Brookside Family Hub—01562 827207**

**Visit:** [Starting Well Partnership](#) | [Worcestershire](#) | [Starting Well](#)  
([startingwellworcs.nhs.uk](http://startingwellworcs.nhs.uk))





# The BPS Reading Round-Up



Coming home with our Key Stage Two children today is our very first reading newsletter – The BPS Reading Round-Up! It features lots of book reviews from the children, some Christmas recommendations and a ‘What to read next?’ section. The last page is dedicated to how parents can help with reading, with some ideas of how to help. It’s also available on our website.



Do you (or a grandparent, neighbour, friend...) have a few hours a week to spare and would like to get involved in our reading community?

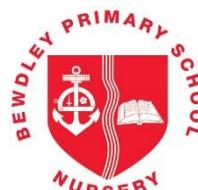
We desperately need adults to come into school to listen to children read. This would usually be with our younger children or with those who find reading tricky, to help improve their fluency and build confidence.

All you need to be able to do is be able to commit to a regular slot, have a little patience and be enthusiastic about reading! If you think you may be able to help, or would like to know more, please email Miss Bradley at [abradley@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:abradley@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk)

## Parent Governor Vacancy

The term of office of one of our current parent governors, Mr Andy Webster, comes to an end next month. Mr Webster has indicated that he would like to stand for re-election. If there are any further nominations from parents could these be made to the clerk of the governors at [governorclerk@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:governorclerk@bewdleyprimary.worcs.sch.uk) by Friday 7th January. Please follow this link which will take you to the letter of invitation to become a governor and the application form.

<https://www.bewdleyprimary.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=2886&type=pdf>



## Teaching Assistant in our Nursery

We are looking for a qualified and reliable Teaching Assistant for our Nursery.

The hours are – (we do have some flexibility in these hours)

Monday 8.30 – 12.30

Tuesday 8.30 – 3.30 (30 minute lunch)

Wednesday 8.30 – 3.30 (30 minute lunch)

Thursday 8.30 – 3.30 (30 minute lunch)

Friday 8.30 – 12.30

Total hours 27 hours 30 minutes

Start Date – ASAP

Full details are on our school website in vacancies

<https://www.bewdleyprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=24>