



BEMERTON ST JOHN C.E.AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Monday 10th June 2019

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Phonics - All of this week, the Year 1 children will be completing their phonics test. These results have to be reported to the DFE. The results of the phonics will be handed out to parents once we are made aware of the pass mark.

Sports Day - A reminder that parents are welcome to come and have lunch on the field with their children and stay for the afternoon races. We hope you will all be able to join us.

New Reverend - The interview process for the new Reverend has started and on 19th June, some children will be speaking to the candidates in school. We are looking forward to meeting the candidates and finding out who will be taking over this role as soon as possible.

FOBS - On Friday 14th June at St John's Place there is a quiz night. Please see one of the FOBS members if you wish to purchase a ticket or enter a team.

The School fete will be taking place on Saturday 22nd June. We hope to have the weather on our side and see you all supporting the FOBS in raising money for the children in the school.

Healthy School Award - Last Tuesday, we were awarded the Silver Healthy Schools Award. This is a great achievement which celebrates all the wonderful healthy activities that children undertake. We have been commended as a school for having aspects of best practice and exceeding the Silver Award criteria. I would like to thank all the staff who during the week contribute to making sure the children at our school have healthy lifestyles and Mrs Shield for completing the paperwork for the award.

Mrs Howell - Congratulation goes to Mr and Mrs Howell on the arrival of their baby boy. Both mum and baby are doing well and it was lovely to see Teddy this week.

Mrs Skuse - I would like to congratulate Mrs Skuse on two accounts. Before the half term Mrs Skuse completed her final assignment for the SENCO qualification and also became a Specific Leader in Education for SEND. This allows Mrs Skuse to help and support other schools that are in need of support with SEND.

Congratulations also go to Mr and Mrs Skuse on the news that they will be having a baby in December. We wish them all the best for their second baby.





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Parents Forum

On Friday 24th May I held a parents forum meeting. It was lovely to see more parents and new parents attending. We were also joined by Sarah Busby, the Executive Head of Magna Learning Partnership.

We discussed the new plans for the house and the new entrance to the school that will be in place for September 2019.

We also discussed all the curriculum work that is being undertaken at the moment and changes to adapt to new Ofsted requirements for September 2019. Teachers are currently finalising the intent, implementation and impact statements for each curriculum area. Once these are completed they will be on the curriculum part of our website for parents to look at.

From September we are changing one of our values from Thankfulness to Wisdom. This is in line with the new Church Inspection Framework. The children are already learning about this in their daily collective worship.

Next parent's forum (tea/coffee and chat) will be held in school on Monday 1st July 2019 at 2.30pm. We will have every classes RE work on display in the hall for you to look at.

Safeguarding

We know last week there was a gentleman who parents were concerned about being in the park area. Please can you to speak to your children about not communicating with any strangers in the area and ignoring any comments they may make. Also, if you do have concerns as parents, please contact the police yourselves. We did contact 101 last week and had the gentleman removed from the school area but we don't have the power to remove the gentleman or any further members of the public from the entire village area. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Trussell Trust - Tonne of tins appeal

Our school will be collecting items for the Trussell Trust Tonne of tins appeal. It is an urgent request for items to stock up in time for the Summer holidays, a time when the Foodbank is under greater pressure whilst children are not being fed at school.

For more information and a list of items, please see <https://www.spirefm.co.uk/features/tonne-of-tins-on-spire-fm.php>

Our collection point will also be advertised on SPIRE FM, so we are hoping the community will add to the appeal too.

Yours sincerely,

Alun Richards

