

# Bryn Offa Newsletter

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It is with great sadness that in the very first newsletter of the new term I have to report that one of our most trusted and long serving volunteers, and ex-member of staff and governor, Mrs Eileen Dawson, sadly passed away last Saturday after a short illness. This has been a great shock and loss to the school, and our thoughts are with her family and friends at this difficult time. Quiet understandably there are a significant number of school staff who wish to attend the funeral, which has been arranged for Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. This includes teaching staff, teaching assistants, catering staff and lunch supervisors. This does make the arrangements for the classes, and especially lunchtime, difficult on this day but I plan to do what is necessary to ensure the school stays open. I will give you further details nearer the time but it may be that on this day we have to run a slightly reduced lunch service.

On a happier note, it has been a great start to the new term in which we welcomed back our existing children, and the new starters in class I and new children in a few other classes around the school. We have already had the new parents meeting for the new Reception children, which was exceptionally well attended and hopefully answered all the questions of the new parents.

One of the things I talked about in the parent meeting was the safety and security during the start and end of the school day. This is especially important on the car park because the buses need to be able to park safely. There are markings to show where the bus lane is (on the left-hand side next to the pavement) but these are unfortunately quite faint. Please make sure you only use the designated parking bays and do not park in the bus lane or on the lower staff car park.

## Next Week

**Monday** after school – Choir



### Stars of the Week



**Oliver Smith, Drew Edwards, Jenson Gibbs and Elliot Owen** for working so hard this week and for always doing their best.

**Bonnie Creaser, Imogen Hill, Charlotte Liddiatt and Melody Ellis** for working hard when writing information about London buses, taxis and Big Ben.

**Cain Roberts** for being an excellent role model and for great Maths work.

**Edward Huninik** for a great start to the year and good in-depth Science knowledge.

**Louise Harding and Ruby Richardson** for settling in well at Bryn Offa.

**Ronnie Lee** for a fantastic attitude in class and for helping others.