



NEWSLETTER 23rd February 2024

Our School Value this half term is 'Compassion'.

Compassion is...

Costly caring

Offering help

Making a difference

Putting others first

Always listening

Sensitive to suffering

Service in action

Interested in others

Offering care and concern

Noticing a need.

Express Yourself Dress Up Day - Friday 9th February



On the Friday before Half Term, we celebrated what makes us unique with an Express Yourself Dress Up Day, whilst raising money for the children's mental health charity Place2Be. With your kind and generous donations, we raised just under £120 which is amazing! Thank you to all the children who took part and to everyone who made a donation.





This week at Bryn Offa

Rota Kids

Rota Kids is a national project which allows children to get involved with their community, build new skills and meet new people along the way. Please meet our new Rota Kids for this term:

Esme Jones, Fenn Williams, Ollie Taaffe, Temperance Waddington-Gries, Bodhi Hodson, Kitt Lambourn, Freddie Woodcock and Summer Berridge.

Our Rota Kids will be running their own fundraising events and helping with BOPTA's events throughout the year and we will keep you notified of these as they come up.

Our next event will be the Rota Kids Second Hand Book Sale on 8th March.



Class 1 Chinese New Year Celebrations and fun at Forest School!

This morning they have been celebrating the Chinese New Year with some food tasting. They all had the opportunity to taste some noodles and prawn crackers and to show off their chopstick skills.

Class 1 are looking at castles at the moment and during their Forest School session on this week they all had a go at making bows and arrows!









Class 2 Space Day

On Tuesday Class 2 took part in an incredible Space day where they had an opportunity to complete a senses test which included trying real astronaut food! They also took part in a destination space lesson lead by Xplore! and had an additional lesson in the star dome! There are some photos on the website for you to have a look at. A huge thank you to BOPTA for funding the amazing experience!<https://brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk/class-2-homepage/>

Student Teacher joins Class 2

Class 2 would like to welcome Miss Molly-Beth Wright who is joining us for her final teacher placement until June! She's absolutely loved this week at Bryn Offa and is looking forward to teaching some lessons in the near future.

Class 3 Xplore Science Discovery Centre Visit

Class 3 had an exciting visit to Xplore Discovery Centre in Wrexham on Wednesday this week! They completed some workshops and investigations while they were there. We also had help from three Bryn Offa parents who assisted with the visit. We would like to say a big thank you to Anna Ahlberg, Kirsty Duffy and Victoria Harrison for giving up their time. Please visit the website for photos of our visit!

Class 3 have also managed to complete their tie dye creations this week! Again there are photos on the website if you would like to take a look. Their t-shirts, socks and other pieces of clothing looked amazing and they should be very proud of themselves for giving it a go and producing some amazing results!

<https://brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk/class-3-homepage/>



Class 4 and 5 Music Lessons

Class 4 and 5 had their music lessons delivered by Shropshire music service where, over the coming weeks, each child will have the opportunity to learn a brass instrument!



Going Green Club

Going Green Club - please could you bring in some rinsed out tins on Monday for decorating our plant pots. These are some of the bird feeders the children made last week!



Girl Guides and Brownies celebrate World Thinking Day

In Celebration of World Thinking Day which took place on Thursday this week, some of our pupils came to school wearing their Girl Guides or Brownie Uniform. They all proudly demonstrated their membership and commitment to its values of friendship, respect and caring for other. It was lovely to see!



Stars of the Week



1 - This week's Stars of the Week are Alexia Grove and Isabelle Kilvert (Class 1), Millie Davies and Harry Duffy (Class 2), Nia Counsell and Logan Nadin (Class 3), Summer Berridge and Declan Jamison (Class 4), Hector Owen and Joe Ungurs (Class 5)

Class Messages, Information and Reminders

Class 1

Class 1 have Forest School every Thursday.

Class 1 have enjoyed learning all about castles, which is their topic for this half term. It would be lovely if parents or carers have time to visit one of the local castles. We have been particularly looking at castle features, and we would love to see photos of any features that you have spotted and your visit in general. Please email your photos to Class1@brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk

Class 2

Lots of tights and socks have been leant to children who may have got wet during playtimes. Could we please request that any spare clothes are washed and return as soon as possible as our spares cupboard is beginning to look a bit bare. Also a big thank you to parents who have donated old clothes, tights, socks, pants for us - they've been a huge help! Any further donations would be gratefully received.

Class 3

Class 3 need their PE kit for Monday and Wednesday and they need homework books every Friday please.

Class 4

Class four are still collecting egg boxes for their DT project this half term - if you have any spare at home please send them in. I have also put all our fabulous felting creations on the C4 homepage if you'd like to take a look.

Class 4 and 5 PE

Could all children in Class 4 and Class 5 please remember their full PE kit, including footwear - they are using the field for PE at the moment so trainers are essential. PE takes place every Monday and Friday.

Could they also bring football boots and shin pads into school please if they have some (please do not buy any especially) as well as their trainers. A carrier bag will also be needed please for any muddy boots/clothing.

General

Cold weather clothing

The weather is very changeable at the moment and it is important that your child brings a warm weather appropriate coat to school every day.

PE kit

Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit. Further information as to what items of PE kit are needed can be found on our website <https://brynoffa.shropshire.sch.uk/school-uniform/>

Illness in school

Just a little reminder that children with diarrhoea or vomiting should be kept off school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

If your child has a high temperature, they should also be kept off school until their temperature returns to normal. Please do not give them medication and send them into school as this will simply mask the high temperature for a couple of hours.

We want to keep our children, families and staff well so your cooperation with this guidance would be greatly appreciated. Further information about illness in school can be found on the NHS website

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Week Beginning Monday 26th February

****Please note that Mr Jones is unable to lead Boys Football Club on Thursday next week so it will be running on Wednesday after school instead. Parents will receive an email to confirm this****

Monday 26th February

- Second session of Creation Club with Miss Harvey
- Second session of Going Green Club with Mrs Hartland

Tuesday 27th February

- Guitar lessons with Mr Jandrell (pm)

Wednesday 28th February

- Yr 5/6 Boys Football Competition at The Marches
- BOPTA Meeting - time and location to be confirmed
- Woodwind lessons with Mr Turner (pm)
- Second session of Boys Football Club with Mr Jones

Thursday 22nd February

- Class 1 Forest School (pm)
- Second session of Girls Football Club with Mrs Taaffe
- Second session of Mindfulness Club with Mrs Maxfield
- Second session of Craft Club with Mrs Woodfine

Week Beginning Monday 4th March

Monday 4th March

- Third session of Creation Club with Miss Harvey
- Third session of Going Green Club with Mrs Hartland

Tuesday 5th March

- Guitar lessons with Mr Jandrell (pm)

Wednesday 6th March

- Yr 5/6 Boys Football Competition at The Marches
- BOPTA Meeting - all welcome!
- Woodwind lessons with Mr Turner (pm)

Thursday 7th March

- World Book Day!
- **No Forest School today for Class 1 because of World Book Day**
- Yr 3/4/5/6 Cross Country at The Marches
- Third session of Boys Football Club with Mr Jones
- Third session of Girls Football Club with Mrs Taaffe
- Third session of Mindfulness Club with Mrs Maxfield
- Third session of Craft Club with Mrs Woodfine

Friday 8th March

- Class photos (am)
- Rota Kids Second Hand Book Fair (pm)

Important Dates

- Guitar lessons will take place on the following dates: Tuesday 27th February, Tuesday 5th March, Tuesday 12th March and Tuesday 19th March

- Woodwind lessons will take place on the following dates: Wednesday 28th February, Wednesday 6th March, Wednesday 13th March and Wednesday 20th March
- Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
- Friday 8th March - class photos (am) Rota Kids Second Hand Book Fair (pm)
- Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day
- Friday 22nd March - last day of Spring Term
- Monday 25th March to Friday 5th April - Easter Holidays
- Monday 8th April - children return to school for first day of Summer Term

School Meals

School dinners are charged at £2.65 per day.

Please ensure your child has enough credit on their dinner account to cover dinner charges and to avoid arrears. If you fall into arrears, you will receive a text/email notification. Please can we ask that all arrears to paid as soon as possible please. Many thanks.

BOPTA

Upcoming events:

- Race Night - date to be confirmed

Community Messages and Information



- *Would you like to know more about why sleep is important for our health and emotional well-being?*
 - *Does your child struggle with their sleep?*
- *Would you like to access help and support to improve sleep and bedtime routines?*
 - *Would you like to meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences?*

SLEEP TIGHT WORKSHOP

**Starts on Monday 15th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
at Whitchurch Infants School, Station Road, SY13 1RJ**

**Starts Wednesday 17th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
Virtually via MS Teams**

**Starts Monday 10th June 2024 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm
at Bridgnorth Youth Centre**

**Starts Wednesday 12th June 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
Virtually via MS Teams**

The workshops are delivered virtually via MS Teams or face to face at a venue in Shropshire
Our workshops run for 5 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

To book a place on one of our workshops or for further information on the workshops we run please contact the Parenting Team by:

Emailing Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk

Or call us on 01743 250950

All our Workshops are free to Shropshire Council residents.



www.shropshire.gov.uk
General Enquiries: 0345 678 9000

If you would like to find out about further help and support the Parenting Team offer please email

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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD



SOLIHULL APPROACH

PARENTING HELP AND SUPPORT LINE

available

Monday to Thursday from 9.30am to 4.30pm

and

Friday 9.30am to 3.30pm

You can contact the Parenting Help and Support Line by calling

01743 250950

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. The Parenting Team is here to help and support parents and carers to raise healthy, well-rounded children in a loving and stable environment.

Do you have any questions around your child's development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Help and Support Line where one of our trained Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen.

(Please note the Parenting Help and Support Line will not operate on Bank Holidays)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being, please call

First Point of Contact 0345 678 9021



- *Would you like to know more about your child's development?*
- *Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?*
- *Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?*



UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD GROUPS From Toddler to Teen

**Understanding Your Child starts on Wednesday 10th April 2024
From 12.30pm to 2.30pm in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House**

**Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Thursday 11th April 2024
from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams**

**Understanding Your Child starts on Thursday 11th April 2024
From 1.15pm to 3.15pm in Bridgnorth at St Marys Bluecoat Primary School**

**Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Friday 12th April 2024
From 09.30am to 11.30am in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House**

**Understanding Your Child starts on Friday 12th April 2024
from 12.30pm to 2.30pm Virtually via MS Teams**

The groups are delivered Virtually via MS Teams or Face to Face at a venue in Shropshire.

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays

SEND groups are for parents/carers of children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place on one of our groups or for further information on the groups we run please contact the Parenting Team by: Emailing: Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call us on telephone: 01743 250950

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