'Learning, Understanding, Achieving'

'Building secure foundations to inspire happy, healthy and successful lives'

Beighton Nursery Infant School

Newsletter – Summer 2 – July '26

Headteacher Message

As ever, it has been a very busy end to the school year!

In amongst all the additional activities that this time of the year brings, we watched the children embrace the two days spent with their new teachers and are reassured that this will make for an enthusiastic and happy start to the next school year.

The Year 2 leavers are to be congratulated for two lovely performances for their parents this week. We wish them all well as we send them on their way to the next phase of their education.

The Summer Fair was a lovely event and our last fundraiser of the school year – thank you for your support with everything we raise money for, but especially when it's for the benefit of our children.

I would like to wish everyone a restful summer and look forward to seeing familiar and new faces, in September.

Helena Reid

September		October	
1st	INSET Day – School Closed to Children	6th	Y1 Trip to Weston Park
2nd	School Reopens	8th	YR Trip to Emergency Services Museum
3rd	Y2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park (Rescheduled from Y1)	22nd	INSET Day– School Closed to Children
24th	Individual Photos - Whole School	23rd	INSET Day– School Closed to Children

Safety & Respect

It is both frustrating and disappointing that we continue to receive complaints from pedestrians and local residents, about dangerous and antisocial **parking/driving/behaviour** on the roads around school, particularly Meadow Gate Avenue.
As we are limited to what we can say or do about what happens beyond our grounds, we strongly advise you to assist **those who can make a difference** by reporting incidents to:
Illegal parking: Sheffield Parking Services on 2736255
Obstructions or Dangerous Incidents
& Antisocial Behaviour: The Police on 101 – PC Number: 7791

Staffing

This term we say a fond farewell and a big thank you to our much loved Mrs Critchley, who has worked with us for 16 years. We also say goodbye to Miss Woods, good luck for your new chapter! We also say goodbye to three of our wonderful Lunchtime Supervisors, Mrs Barnes, Ms Blagden and Ms Rajabzadeh. We wish them all the very best in their new adventures!

In September we welcome Miss Barker, Miss Mills and Miss Hoyland, our new Class teachers. We also welcome Mrs Loftus and Mrs Richardson, our new Lunchtime Supervisors and Ms Dawson, our new Cleaner. Welcome to the team everyone!

A huge congratulations to Miss Challoner who will become Mrs Barnard in the Summer. We hope you have the most wonderful wedding day!

Safeguarding Spot

Safeguarding Spot - Support During the Summer Holidays

Although our school will be closed during the summer we want to ensure everyone is keeping as safe as possible.
Remember—Safeguarding remains everyone's responsibility.

Use the contacts below to access support and report concerns.

If you are worried about the safety or wellbeing of a child during the school holidays, support is available:

Emergency

- If a child is at immediate risk of harm, call **999**.

  Contact **The Sheffield Safeguarding Hub** If you have a safeguarding concern about a child, 0**114 273 4855 (24 hours)**
- If a young person under 16 comes to Sheffield Children's Hospital because of their mental health, hospital staff will refer them to the STAR team. STAR service - Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust

Non-Emergency

Police

For non-emergency concerns, contact **101**.

Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing

Sheffield Mental Health Guide – local services and support: Local support when you're feeling low

National Support

- Childline: **0800 1111**
- NSPCC Helpline: **0808 800 5000**
- Samaritans: **116 123**
- NHS: **111** for urgent medical or mental health advice

Governor Spot

Dear Parents/Carers

I'd like to start by putting on record my thanks, and those of the wider Governing Board and School staff, to Wez Pilkington, who stood down from the Governing Board this month after 14 years supporting Beighton Nursery Infant School. Joining initially as an intrigued parent - as many Governors do - he stayed on and has been instrumental in Governance at the school, from being part of the panel that recruited Helena, through to inducting me and many current or former Governors. His support of staff and pupils, ranging from curriculum links through to his vital input on Health and Safety matters, has been immense. Volunteers like Wez are vital to the safe operating of schools. Anyone interested in finding out more about the role of a Governor, please do reach out!

I'd like to welcome Josanne Burnham to the Beighton Nursery Infant School governing body. She was officially ratified at our latest governing body meeting and will be a co-opted governor on our board from September.

I'd like to thank all those who engage constructively with the school as and when concerns or issues arise. We are committed to open engagement and partnership working. Decisions made by the school have to weigh up multiple factors that will not always be clear, but are always taken with the best interests of our pupils. Collaboration and constructive engagement with our families is at the core of how Beighton Nursery Infant School operates. Parent engagement is a priority for the Board.

Finally, I wish you all a fantastic summer, and the very best for the Y2s leaving us to continue to grow and develop into the excellent people we know they will become.

Liam Murray
Chair of Governors

Spare Uniform

A huge THANK YOU for all the donations we have received this year. We really appreciate it and your donations are invaluable.

We are in need of various clothing items for our spares boxes. If you have any of the following that your child no longer needs/has outgrown, we would be very grateful:

- **Girls knickers - age 2-3, 4-5, 5-6 and 6-7**
- **Boys pants – age 5-6 and 6-7**
- **Socks & Tights – all sizes**
- **School T-Shirts – all sizes**

Also, a reminder to bring any items back, washed and ready to be used again, if your child has borrowed any spare uniform. Please return and bring any new donations to the Office.

Thank you!

Free School Meals & Pupil Premium

Free School Meals & Pupil Premium — Overview & Changes

All children in **Reception, Year 1, and Year 2** in state-funded schools automatically receive ***Universal Infant Free School Meals*** (UFSM), regardless of household income.

School Meals for **Foundation** (Caterpillars & Butterflies) children are chargeable unless they are eligible within the Additional Funding types, below.

Additional Funding Types:

- **Targeted or Expanded** Free School Meals
- **Pupil Premium** - additional funding paid directly to schools to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils.

Important Recent Changes Explained:

Firstly, legacy entitlement (where a child's entitlement remained for 6 years after qualifying even if parental earnings/circumstances changed) has ended. This has been replaced by the following:

- **Expanded FSM:** The government has expanded FSM eligibility to all children from households receiving Universal Credit, irrespective of overall earnings. These children are eligible for FSM regardless of their school year but **are not** eligible for Pupil Premium funding.
- **Targeted FSM:** This is a specific, benefits-based entitlement for children from the lowest-income households. These children **are** eligible for Pupil Premium which makes them eligible for Free School Milk and the Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) scheme.

Please Note:

* Families who were eligible under the legacy entitlement, have already been informed by the Local Authority of any change to their child's eligibility status.
* There may be additional 'school based' benefits which will be communicated early in the new school year.
* Additional funding is also provided for children who are looked after by a local authority, or who left local authority care through adoption, a Special Guardianship Order, or a Child Arrangements Order.
* Families can check their eligibility and apply directly through the GOV.UK Free School Meals portal or by using this Sheffield City Council Link:

https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/schools-childcare/school/school-meals

Sheffield Children's University Gold Award Ceremony

Congratulations to Eva in Orange class and Emilia in Blue class who received their Gold Awards at the Sheffield University Gold Award Ceremony on Monday 6th July – well done girls, we are very proud of you!

Y2 Trip to Thornbridge

Our Y2 children were exceptional on their “First Night Away” to Thornbridge. They showed great resilience in every challenge and came home with some amazing memories. We are so proud of them!

Sports Day

All children across school have had their Sports Day this half term. From Nursery through to Y2, everyone was fantastic. They showed competitive spirit, alongside resilience and determination. Well done to Y1 Yellow Class and Y2 Green Class, who were the overall winners in KS1.
Great work everyone!

Pride of Yorkshire – Spot Our Lion Cub!

Our cub is situated in the Pinders shop window in **Crystal Peaks Shopping Centre** until 7th September for all to see!

It has also just been announced that all money raised from this project will be going towards the redevelopment of the Emergency Department at Sheffield Children's Hospital. You can read the full story on how you are making a difference here: https://prideofyorkshire.org/what-is-the-trail-going-to-fund/

We've had an update on our Pride of Yorkshire fundraising total. The final total came to an incredible **£10, 488.50**. Thank you to everyone who has helped us raise such a brilliant amount.

The Sheffield College Holiday Club

The Sheffield College is once again running a great project which provides fun activities to young people aged 8-14 and gives a fantastic opportunity for Sports students to gain the necessary experience in delivering activities; all under the expert supervision of experienced coaching staff.

They are holding a Multi-Sports Holiday Club every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 21st July until 27th August.

The Sheffield College Holiday Club runs at our Hillsborough Campus from 9:00am to 4:00pm. It is open for drop-offs from no earlier than 8:45am and collections at 4:00pm each day. The camp is a multi-sport camp which aims to get kids active and involved, whatever their abilities.

To book, please go to Tickets for Multi-sport Holiday Club. If you have any questions, contact Gracie Ecob at tscsports@sheffcol.ac.uk.

https://events.humanitix.com/multi-sport-holiday-club

Water Safety - The Safest Swimwear Colours for your Child

The colour of swimwear makes a huge difference as to whether your child can be seen even on the surface of the water, let alone if they are underwater.

Neon colours – orange, green, pink and yellow – will always be easier to see in a swimming pool than the colours mentioned above.
When buying your child's swimwear, **think bright, neon, contrasting colours**.

For more information, click the link below:
[The safest swimwear colours for your child - Swim England Learn to Swim Companion]

Free Swimming Lesson

Swim Sheffield are offering one free swimming lesson to children across Sheffield.
There is no obligation to join a swimming programme after this, they simply want to encourage as many children as possible right from baby up to 11 years old to learn to swim as it is an important life skill.

Lessons are from £20 for the first month for children from baby up to 12 years old, held at Swim Sheffield, Archer Road Retail Park.

Email sheffield@swim.co.uk to find out more or book your space.

Summer School Holiday Activities

This summer children and young people in Reception to Year 11 who receive benefits-related Free School Meals can enjoy free, fun-filled activities with healthy meals included!

Spaces are limited, so book early at: www.sheffieldhealthyholidays.org

Important: Parents will need their child's HAF code to book. Lost/misplaced HAF codes can be retrieved by visiting: Report a problem with your HAF Code | Sheffield City Council

Got questions? Contact us at hafprogramme@sheffield.gov.uk or call 0114 203 9303 (Mon–Fri, 9:30am–4:00pm).