

# Dorothy Barley Infant School

Newsletter – 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to say a big thank you to all our parents and carers for their continued support in bringing your children into school every day and on time.

## Health & Safety Information

**No one should be riding their bikes or scooters on site.**

**This includes electric scooters. Please dismount and walk next to them whilst on the school premises.**

**Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping all our families safe whilst on school site.**

## Curriculum

Autumn 2 Curriculum Themes	
Nursery	Over the Rainbow
Reception	Back on the Farm
Year 1	On the move
Year 2	London's Burning

We will be sending home our curriculum overviews for each year group.

## NO Vaping

It has been noticed that some parents/carers have been vaping in the school playground.

Smoking of any kind, including the use of e-cigarettes is strictly prohibited.

## School Applications

If you have any family or friends that are looking for a school place for their child please tell them about us! We have flyers in the school office if you would like to come and get one.

## Uniform

Please ensure that your child always comes to school in the correct, full school uniform. If you need a copy of our uniform policy or you have any queries about it please come and speak to the school office.

## Collecting your child from school

If you have arranged for somebody different to collect your child from school, such as a family member or a friend, please ensure you inform the school office either by phone or email. If someone arrives to pick up your child that we don't recognise or have not been informed about, we will not allow them to go until we have spoken to a parent.

Please also remember that no one under the age of 16 is allowed to collect our pupils from school.

## Stars of the Week

	Class Stars	Mathematician Stars
Kingfisher	Imaan	Frankie
Woodpecker	Lillie	Ricky-Lee
Tawny Owl	Summer	Hirrah
Rabbit	Noah	Aviel
Squirrel	Keira	Kaleb
Hedgehog	Talia-May	Jessenia
Butterfly	Iremide	Talula
Bumblebee	Carter	Abeeha

**Thank you for your continued support.**

*Mrs L Pearce*  
*Headteacher*



**Apply online now**  
for a reception school place  
[www.lbdd.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.lbdd.gov.uk/admissions)  
The closing date for your online application and the other information we ask for is **15 January 2024**

## Attendance

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT YOU MUST INFORM THE SCHOOL ON THE MORNING OF THE ABSENCE. PLEASE DO THIS BY PHONING THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON 02082704655 OR EMAILING US AT [OFFICE@DOROTHYBARLEYINFANT.ORG.UK](mailto:OFFICE@DOROTHYBARLEYINFANT.ORG.UK)

We aim for the best education for your children at Dorothy Barley Infant School. Full Attendance and Punctuality are essential for your child to make the maximum progress.

To reach the school target pupils must not have any more than 6 days off per academic year. If you need to make appointments for your child, please aim to make them out of school hours or during school holidays.

Thank you

Children with 100% attendance each half term will receive a certificate. Pupils with 100% attendance for the whole year will receive a special reward.

Attendance during one school year		Equals this number of days absent	
90%		19 days	
80%		38 days	
70%		57 days	
<b>Outstanding 100%</b>	<b>Good 96-99%</b>	<b>Requires improvement 91-95%</b>	<b>Inadequate (PA) Below 90%</b>

## Safeguarding at DBI

Do you know our Child Protection and Safeguarding Team?

Mrs Ratford  
Deputy Head & Designated  
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Osborne  
SENCO & Deputy Designated  
Safeguarding Lead



If you have a concern about a child, please see a member of our safeguarding team.

In an emergency call 999.

Below is a breakdown of the class attendance for this week.

This week's highest attendance for each year group are highlighted.

Class	Attendance %
<b>Reception</b>	
Butterfly	94.18%
Bumblebee	87.00%
<b>Year 1</b>	
Rabbit	95.71%
Squirrel	87.50%
Hedgehog	95.86%
<b>Year 2</b>	
Kingfisher	95.65%
Woodpecker	99.33%
Tawny Owl	96.67%

Overall attendance this week is **94.02%**

As you can see by the figures above it has been another good week for attendance in most classes! We really hope to see this continue. Thank you to all our families for your support in bringing your child to school every day!

### Punctuality

Please remember the doors close promptly at 9.00am. pupils arriving after this time will be considered late for lessons. You will be asked to provide a reason.

Date	Details
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 2 trip to Tower of London – Kingfisher and Woodpecker Class
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 trip to Tower of London – Tawny Owl Class
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents Evening 3.30 – 7.00pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents Evening 3.30 – 5.00pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Nativity
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Carol Concert Nursery Sing-a-Long
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Last day of term