

Dorothy Barley Infant School

Newsletter – 17th 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.

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.

Little Wandle Parent Meetings

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have attended the Little Wandle meetings during this term.

We hope you have found them informative. Further information can be found at:-

www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents

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.

Remembrance Day

A big thank you to all of our families for taking part in Children in Need today. It was lovely to see all the children dressed up. Once we have totalled up all the money that was donated we will let you know how much we have raised.

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.

Stars of the Week

	Class Stars	Writing Stars
Kingfisher	Violet	Kayson
Woodpecker	Zain	Monica
Tawny Owl	Nora	Dovydas
Rabbit	Kamarli	Jeshwant
Squirrel	Ishnoor	Yusif
Hedgehog	Ronnie	Tahrin
Butterfly	Andre	Selman
Bumblebee	Abeera	Ayzan

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs L Pearce
Headteacher



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

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	
Outstanding 100%	Good 96-99%	Requires improvement 91-95%	Inadequate (PA) Below 90%

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 %
Reception	
Butterfly	96.67%
Bumblebee	92.34%
Year 1	
Rabbit	95.71%
Squirrel	93.57%
Hedgehog	97.59%
Year 2	
Kingfisher	96.67%
Woodpecker	95.67%
Tawny Owl	97.33%

Overall attendance this week is **95.75%**

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