

Dorothy Barley Infant School

Newsletter – 1st December 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.

Christmas Cards

If your child is writing Christmas cards for their friends and they would like a list of all the children in their class you can get one from the school office.

Stars of the Week

	Class Stars	Writing Stars
Kingfisher	Ademide	Artiom
Woodpecker	Alex	Annierae
Tawny Owl	Khadijah	Daniel
Rabbit	Lilly-Joy	Victoria
Squirrel	Oscar	Martel
Hedgehog	Joey	Gabriel
Butterfly	Izabele	Mikaela
Bumblebee	Ibrahim	Menaal

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	95.93%
Bumblebee	94.81%
Year 1	
Rabbit	88.49%
Squirrel	90.71%
Hedgehog	92.76%
Year 2	
Kingfisher	87.67%
Woodpecker	97.00%
Tawny Owl	91.00%

Overall attendance this week is **92.31%**

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 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 - 9.30am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 2 Carol Concert – 9.15am and 2.00pm Nursery Sing-a-Long – 10.30am and 2.45pm Nursery Last Day
Wednesday 20 th December	Reception Nativity – 9.30am and 2.15pm
Thursday 21 st December	Last day of term. Pupils finish at 1.15pm