



Bearn's Primary School Newsletter 18.1.19



Safeguarding

Our designated safeguarding officer is **Ms Eeles** and the deputy safeguarding officer is **Ms Clarke**.

It is also possible to express concerns to the multi agency safeguarding team (MASH)

directly on 0345 155 1071 or email mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk

Attendance

Attendance is slowly rising once again, this is great news for Bearn's.

A polite reminder; school begins at 8.55am. Any children arriving after this time will be registered as 'late'.

Thank you.

This week in...

Acorns and Oaks: It's been another lovely week in the Early Years. We have continued our book The Three Little Pigs with the Oaks children sequencing and beginning to act out the story. In our Maths learning we have been investigating estimation and number. We have discussed different types of homes that people live in and the children were quite amazed that some people live in castles! We have PE on Mondays and Thursdays, please ensure your child has a PE kit in school for these sessions.

Chestnuts: This week in Chestnuts we have been working very hard on understanding persuasion. We have looked at a variety of persuasive leaflets, discussed how they are persuasive and ordered them from most persuasive to the least. In Maths, we have been using different strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems including using a part-part-whole model, a number line and a place value chart. Well done to all the children who completed their Homes project, we've thoroughly enjoyed watching 'Homes of the Future' which inspired us with new ideas.

Sycamores: Sycamores have blown us away with their super poems based around our class book on 'The Flood'. In geography, we used atlases to locate the countries in the ring of fire. In computing, we looked at how to be kind and responsible online. Take a look at the following websites for help at home on how to keep your kids safe online:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware>

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk>

Sycamores have also made great progress with using the column method for subtraction in maths. We are becoming more confident with exchanging and setting out our sums neatly...great job Sycamores! Thank you so much to Millie for bringing in her natural disaster book and volcano kit. We had a lot of fun and made a lot of mess!

Redwoods: We have been really delving deep into our current book – "Flood" by Alvaro Villa. It is a wordless picture book and needs a different set of skills to really read properly. I'm so thrilled with the way Redwoods have taken up this challenge and are even thinking about the emotions of the inanimate objects! In maths, we've been talking improper fractions, converting to and from mixed numbers – a tricky subject but we think we've got it cracked now! *** Y6 ONLY - From next week, Mrs Clarke will be running SATs revision classes on Monday (English/Reading and SPAG) and Wednesday (Maths) after school – please see the letter for full details ***



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Diary Dates

- **Swimming is every Friday afternoon this half term for Sycamores and next half term for Redwoods. Please ensure the children bring their full swimming kit.**
- **Next week is our school 'Well-being' week where the children will be learning about mindfulness and being mentally healthy.**
- **Thursday 24th January BigFoot Theatre Arts will be doing well-being workshops with each class.**

A message from Miss Eeles

This week we have been thinking about our school resolution for the year in our Current Affairs assembly, this sparked some really interesting discussions amongst the staff and children. In our British Values assembly the children concluded that the following would encompass all that we hope to achieve at Bearn's;

-Be Kind -Be Safe -Work hard.

Why don't you ask your children how they have achieved these this week?

We are all looking forward to well-being week and the teachers have planned some great activities to promote mental well-being and awareness of mental health.

We are currently looking for some volunteers who could come in weekly to listen to readers and support our spelling groups. Please come and chat to me if you'd be interested. Have a lovely weekend, Alice



Star Learners;

Acorns-Faith.J

Oaks-Layla

Chestnuts-Alfie

Sycamores-Lucas

Redwoods-

Awards



Random Act of Kindness- Skyla

House cup- Lemon

Attendance cup- Oaks