



# Bearn's Primary School Newsletter 11.1.19



## **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](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk)

## **Attendance**

*Our whole school attendance figure has dropped. May we ask that should your children have medical appointments within the school day, you bring an appointment card or letter to the office on collection.*

*Thank you.*

## **This week in...**

**Acorns and Oaks:** It's been a lovely week back after Christmas and I hope you're all feeling refreshed after the holiday. We have started the Spring term with the new theme 'Homes and Traditional Tales'. We have looked up our addresses on Google maps and discussed our homes and where we live. In Literacy, we have started our new book 'The Three Little Pigs' and what materials are best to build houses with. We have also focused on numbers and ordinal numbers in our maths learning. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in each day as well as their book bags.

**Chestnuts:** Welcome back. Chestnuts have started off the term incredibly well, they've returned energised and eager to get on with their learning. This week, in Maths, we have worked on addition and subtraction with 2 digit numbers. In English, the children were introduced to our new unit on persuasion. They have been identifying key features and had great fun persuading each other to join in with reading and different types of games. Monday is the deadline for their holiday project of designing a 'home of the future' which will kick off our topic on Homes. We're really excited to see the designs the children have come up with!

**Sycamores:** What a fantastic start back for Team Sycamores! We are really proud of the positive attitude everyone has displayed to their learning and behaviour. Our topic on Extreme Earth has kicked off and we are really excited about it. Thank you for those who brought in your homework - they look great. Swimming got off to a great start too with all children making the most of the highly skilled tuition on offer - looks like we'll have some super swimmer's in no time! Have a lovely week-end.

**Redwoods:** A busy back to school week! The children have come back in great spirits and ready to get stuck into the new term. Thank you to everyone who helped out over the holidays with thoughts about our 'Extreme Earth' topic. We're looking at the power of water at the moment which has got us all thinking....let's hope the River Lemon behaves! In maths, we're focusing on fractions so please keep practising those times tables - it's so valuable! And finally, PE is outside this half term so please make sure we have suitable kit in school for our Thursday sessions.



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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.**
- **Week beginning 21st January is our school 'Well-being' week where the children will be learning about mindfulness and being mental healthy.**
- **Thursday 24th January BigFoot Theatre Arts will be doing well-being workshops with each class– details to follow.**

## A message from Miss Eeles

*What a wonderful first week back we've had. Several of the teachers have noted how impressed they have been with the children who have returned to school having absorbed their learning from last term and are demonstrating super progress. We will be inviting you to see their learning in action very soon! We have another fun-packed term ahead and are thrilled to be hosting a Well-being week. As you will be aware, mental health and well-being is high on our school agenda and we will be working with all of the children to explore how we can stay mentally healthy and look after ourselves. If anybody can spare some time in their week to walk with our children to and from swimming we would be very grateful. Please speak to the appropriate class teacher about the arrangements.*

*Many thanks, Alice*



## Star Learners;

**We will find out who has been start learner on Monday!**

## Awards

