

Byerley Park Primary School Newsletter

Issue 11

12th March 2019

KS2 SATs dates for 2019 and Assessments for all pupils

Monday, 13th May - Thursday, 16th May, 2019.

All Y6 pupils will be having SATs tests during this week. It is **VITAL** that all Y6 children are in school during all of this week. Failure to attend school for any of the SATs tests will result in the pupil not being awarded the grade that their hard work deserves.

The rest of the school will take on-going assessment tests throughout the months of May and June.

KS2 Talent Show



This year's KS2 Talent Show will take place in school, for the enjoyment of our pupils, on the afternoon of Thursday 4th April.

It is wonderful to discover the hidden talents of our children & it's fantastic that they are able to perform in front of the whole school.

I am sure the judges will have a difficult task in choosing the winners!

Parents' Evenings – Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th March



You should already have received a text with the link to the Parent's evening appointment booking system. If you have not yet booked your appointment and you would like to see your child's class teacher, please use the link to make your appointment. If you experience any difficulties, please contact the School Office staff, who will be more than happy to assist you.

Living eggs – hatching ducklings

Year 2 class have taken delivery of an incubator, cage and duckling hatching kit.



All being well, the children will be able to watch the ducklings hatch in school over the next week or so. However, just in case they hatch when we are not in school, we have set up a live stream on YouTube between the hours of 4pm and 8.30am. Using the link below, you should be able to view the incubator and eggs.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTMK8mcBxNM-HAtWGqisORQ>

Please note, there is no sound to this

livestream.

Photographs showing the progress of the eggs will also be uploaded on to our school website –

www.byerleyparkprimaryschool.co.uk



Easter Competition – Wednesday 3rd April 2019



Once again, the Friends of Byerley Park will be holding an Easter competition for **pupils** who wish to participate.

Children are asked to create something with an Easter theme – it could be a decorated egg, an Easter bonnet, an Easter picture or a card or model - the choice is yours!

All entries cost £1 and every entrant will receive a chocolate crème egg. There will be first, second and third prize winners in every class.

Children should bring their entries and money **into their class** on the morning of Wednesday 3rd April. Judging will take place later that morning and winners will be given their prizes in Assembly. Children will be able to take their creations home at the end of school on Wednesday.

Vandalism to school property

Over the last couple of weeks, we have noticed graffiti daubed on various surfaces around the outside of our school.

Our Caretaker, Mr Smith, does an amazing job keeping our school looking pristine, clean and tidy. If you notice any graffiti on school premises, please could I ask you to mention this to a member of staff so that we can take swift action to have it removed.

Vacancy for Parent Governor

Expressions of interest are now being invited for the position of Parent Governor on our school's Governing Body.

Parent Governors play an important role as members of the Governing Body, which is responsible for directing the conduct of the school and for promoting high standards of educational achievement. The term of office for Parent Governors, as determined by the Governing Body, is 4 years. The school has high expectations of the time and commitment required from its Governors in order to effectively fulfil their roles.

Training is available for all Governors and those new to being a Governor are encouraged to attend induction training. All of our Governors are expected to follow the Code of Conduct.

What skills do I need?

The National Governors' Association identifies the following essential skills for all governors:

- Commitment to improving education for all pupils
- Ability to work in a professional manner as part of a team and take collective responsibility for decisions
- Willingness to learn
- Commitment to the school's vision and ethos
- Willing to devote time, enthusiasm and effort to the duties of and responsibilities of a governor
- Basic literacy, numeracy and IT skills

If you are interested, please contact Mrs Vincent or Mrs Mason in the School Office to express your interest or arrange to speak to Mrs Gargan about the role if you would like some additional information. The deadline for you to express your interest in becoming a Parent Governor is **26th March 2019**.

Please find school holiday dates for the remainder of this academic year and the next school year on the next page.

Holidays for the remainder of Academic Year 2018-2019

Holiday	Closing Date	Re-open for Teaching
INSET day	Thursday 21 st March 2019	Monday 25 th March 2019
Easter 2019 (2 weeks)	Friday 5 th April 2019	Tuesday 23 rd April 2019
May Day (1 day)	Friday 3 rd May 2019	Tuesday 7 th May 2019
Summer Half-Term 2019 (1 week)	Friday 24 th May 2019	Monday 3 rd June 2019
Summer 2019 (6 weeks)	Friday 19 th July 2019	Wednesday 4th September (INSET day for staff on Tuesday 3 rd Sept)

Please note the date that pupils return to school is **Wednesday, 4th September 2019. An incorrect date was published in Newsletter 1, issued in September 2018.*

Holidays for the Academic Year 2019-2020

Holiday	Closing Date	Re-open for Teaching
Summer 2019 (6 weeks + 1 INSET day)	Friday 19 th July 2019	Wednesday 4th September (INSET day for staff on Tuesday 3 rd Sept)
Autumn Half Term 2019 (1 week)	Friday 25 th October 2019	Monday 4 th November 2019
INSET day	Friday 22 nd November 2019	Tuesday 26 th November 2019
Christmas 2019 (2 weeks)	Friday 20 th December 2019	Monday 6 th January 2020
Spring Half-Term 2020 (1 week)	Friday 14 th February 2020	Monday 24 th February 2020
Easter 2020 (2 weeks + 1 INSET day)	Thursday 2 nd April 2020	Monday 20 th April 2020
May Day (1 day)	Friday 1 st May 2020	Tuesday 5 th May 2020
Summer Half-Term 2020 (1 week)	Friday 22 nd May 2020	Monday 1 st June 2020
Summer 2020 (6 weeks + 1 INSET day)	Friday 17 th July 2020	Wednesday 2 nd September 2020 (INSET day for staff on Tuesday 1 st Sept).