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Newsletter

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Welcome from the Headteacher

Welcome to the June edition of the Bells Farm newsletter. With just a few short weeks to go, we still have so much to fit in to the school day. The children and staff are still working incredibly hard, and as we send out final assessment data off for Reception, Year 2 and Year 6 writing and science, I can see how that hard work has paid off.

Even though we have a short time left before the summer holiday, please ensure that your child is in school on time every day. We have excellent attendance overall, but there are some children whose attendance is in danger of falling below 90%, which is then classified as "persistent absence". There have been some really noticeable improvements recently, but every day counts.

Transition Day

This varies for Year 6 pupils depending on which secondary school they are going to. For everyone else in school, Wednesday 3rd July is the day when classes meet their new teachers in their new classrooms. For your information,

the classes from September are outlined in the table below.

Please note that the school nursery will be open for morning sessions only from September.

Miss McClelland

At the end of term, we are saying goodbye to Miss McClelland as she has been successful in securing a post at another school in September. After four hardworking years, in which Miss McClelland contributed hugely to the development of our school, we are all very sad to see her go and will miss her greatly. However, we are pleased for her that she has been given another great opportunity to continue to make a difference in education, and we wish her all the best. On a positive note for Bells Farm, though, Miss McClelland wishes to stay on as a governor at school, and we are really pleased to keep her on the team!

Reports

Reports will be sent out next Monday 8th July for years reception – Year 5, and

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| Class | Teacher | Teaching Assistant |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
| Nursery Owls | Ms Andrews | Mrs Horsley; Miss Cass |
| Reception Swans | Mrs Hill | Miss Jones; Mrs Horsley & Mrs Green |
| Year 1 Puffins | Miss Coghlan | Mrs Sargeant |
| Year 2 Toucans | Miss Williams | Mrs Parton-Harris |
| Year 3 Bluebirds | Mrs Parry | Miss Dainter |
| Year 4 Robins | Mr Johnston | Mrs Sabir (Higher Level Teaching Assistant) |
| Year 5 Kestrels | Mrs Croft | Mrs Johnson |
| Year 6 Eagles | Miss Edwards; Miss Procter | |
| PE and Sports Lead teacher; guitar tuition | Mr Gill | |



Year 2's amazing trip to Twycross Zoo!

[See photos on our website](#)

We've achieved gold!



We are delighted to announce that we, Bells Farm Primary School, have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2018/19 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Early Years Sports Day

Early Years Sports Day took place with various events taking place including an egg spoon race and a sack race - see more photos on our website.



Year 6 by the end of that week, with the updates on their SATs results. The reports look a little different this year, as we are trialling a new format, and hopefully you will find them useful and positive.

Sports days

This week, weather permitting, should see our postponed sports days taking place. Just look out for any texts with updates about this. Unfortunately, if rain stops play again, we will not be able to further reschedule. Thank you for your understanding. Sports days take a great deal of organisation, as they require a large number of staff to be available. With trips, transitions and end of year preparations going on almost daily, this is not always possible.

- **KS1 Sports Day**

Tuesday 2nd July – 9.30 am

- **KS2 Sports Day**

Thursday 4th July - 9.30am

- **Year 6 Sports Afternoon**

Thursday 11th July 1.30pm – 3.15pm

Year 6 dates

As some children will still be on transition days for the KS2 Sports Day (on 4th July), we have scheduled a separate afternoon for Year 6. Please come and support your children. Should it finish before 3.15, you will be free to take your children home. Please note that those Year 6 children who are

in school on Thursday 4th July will get to take part in both sports days.

The Leavers’ Disco takes place on Friday 12th July 4.30pm - 6.00pm. For their safety, ALL children must be collected from the disco – no children will be allowed to walk home on their own.

Leavers’ Assembly takes place on Tuesday 16th July 9.15am, and as it is the last assembly, it will be longer than usual.

Arts week

Unfortunately due to the busy nature of the next few weeks, we have had to postpone Arts week and the resultant exhibition of children’s work. This will now take place in the Autumn term – dates will follow.

Uniform

As the year draws to a close, we realise that children grow out of their uniform – particularly school shoes. Wherever possible we want to maintain high standards, but if you have an issue with wanting to wait until the end of the holiday to ensure you have bought the right size shoe, in case of any growth spurt, please let us know. In the meantime, however, where the correct uniform and black shoes or trainers are available at home, please ensure your child continues to come to school in them. As ever, jewellery (except for stud style earrings), nail polish and very large hair decorations are not permitted and this rule applies to every school day.

School Planner

| Date | Event |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Tuesday 2nd July | KS1 Sports Day 9.30am |
| Wednesday 3rd July | Whole School Transition Day |
| Thursday 4th July | KS2 Sports Day 9.30am |
| Friday 5th July | Computing Awards Assembly 9.10am |
| Monday 8th July | Reports sent home to parents |
| Tuesday 9th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception Class trip to airport • Guitar / Choir assembly 9.10am |
| Thursday 11th July | Year 6 Sports Afternoon 1.30pm |
| Friday 12th July | Year 2 Class Assembly Year 6 Leavers’ Disco 4.30pm Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly 9.10am |
| Tuesday 16th July | Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly 9.10am |
| Wed 17th - Friday 19th July | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Behaviour Awards Assembly 9.10am • Last Day of Term |
| SUMMER HOLIDAYS | |
| Monday 2nd September | Teacher training day |
| Tuesday 3rd September | Teacher training day |
| Wednesday 4th September | New term begins |



At a glance

Whole School Attendance

96.2%

Target 96%

Current Value Word

RESPECT

After School Clubs

3.15pm- 4.15pm

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|---------------|--|
| Mon | Football - Year 5-6 Art Club - Year 3-6 |
| Tues | Computing - Year 3-6 Choir - Year 4-6 Film Club - Year 4-6 Cricket - Year 5-6 Activity Club - Year 1-2 |
| Wed | Basketball - Year 4-6 Football - Year 3-4 French Club - Year 2-3 |
| Thurs | Outdoor Club - Year 5-6 Lego - Year 4-6 Multiskills - Year 1-2 |
| Friday | No clubs |



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Safeguarding

Our school’s child protection officers (Designated Safeguarding Leads) are:

- Miss McClelland
- Mrs Butterworth
- Mrs Knipe
- Miss Hackett
- Mrs Johnson
- Mr Johnston
- Mr Baddhan
- Chair of Governors: Ms Hughes

