



## Newsletter 1

10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

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Welcome back after the summer break. I hope that you have all had a very good break – the children certainly have returned with very positive attitudes and are eager to learn. It is also very positive to note that for the first few days of term, we have had 100% attendance. This newsletter is just to update you on a few things and to make you aware of some forthcoming events.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September will be our first Celebration Assembly where we present awards to children in each class. As we come out of the restrictions that were put in place during the pandemic, we are, for the moment, opening this to parents of children who will be receiving awards. Those parents will be notified by text. Hopefully, this will change as we move forward and we can reopen to all parents.



**Dragon - Red**  
**Griffin - Yellow**  
**Unicorn - Green**

Also on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, will be Autumn Sports Day. This is an event where the children compete in their house teams to win house points in a variety of events. Parents and relatives are invited to attend this outdoor event which will begin at 1.30pm. The school grounds will be open from 1.15pm. Please could parents send their children in their house colours for the day. As we will be practicing the events in the morning, children can be in their PE kits for the whole day. If in doubt about your child's house, please speak to your child's class teacher.



We start the year with some staffing news. Mrs Crompton, who had been working as a Midday Supervisor since last September and also supporting children in classes across the school, has moved on to a full time post at another school. We wish her every success for the future as she develops her career as a Teaching Assistant.

We welcome to the school Miss Haynes (no relation to Miss Haines!) who has joined us to work with children throughout the week and will be supporting Miss Ellis in Forest School sessions. I am sure that she will be a valuable addition to the Bretforton team.



Elephant Adoption Certificate

Naboishu



It is always nice when the work that our staff have done with the children during their time with us at Bretforton Village School is appreciated and I was delighted at the end of the last academic year when the school was presented with a certificate by Imani (who was in Year 5) and her mum. This was to tell us that they had adopted an elephant on behalf of the school as a thank you for our work over her time in school. I shared this news with the children in our first assembly of the year and they were absolutely thrilled to hear about it, once they had got over their disappointment that Naboishu couldn't live in the school grounds! May I say a huge thank you to Imani and her mum for this perfect gift to the school.

I am pleased to let you know that local parents are already enquiring about places here at Bretforton Village School for entry in September 2022 and asking to have a look around our lovely school. If you have any children who will be applying for a place for our September 2022 Reception intake, it can be done online here -

<https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

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We are starting our Walk-In sessions again this term, the first one being on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October. This is an opportunity to come into school at the end of the day and have a look, with your child, at their learning. This is not a time to speak to your child's teacher but an informal occasion where your child can show you work they are proud of and you can discover more about our curriculum. The session starts immediately after the end of the school day at 3.00pm and runs until 3.30pm. We aim to hold these sessions at the start of each month, other than January and May.

## Diary Dates

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Celebration Assembly – invited parents only – 9.00am

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Autumn Sports' Day – from 1.30pm

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Walk in session for parents – 3.00pm to 3.30pm

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest service in St Leonard's Church - details to follow

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Book Fair in school – open 3.00pm each day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Last day of term for children

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – First day of term for children