

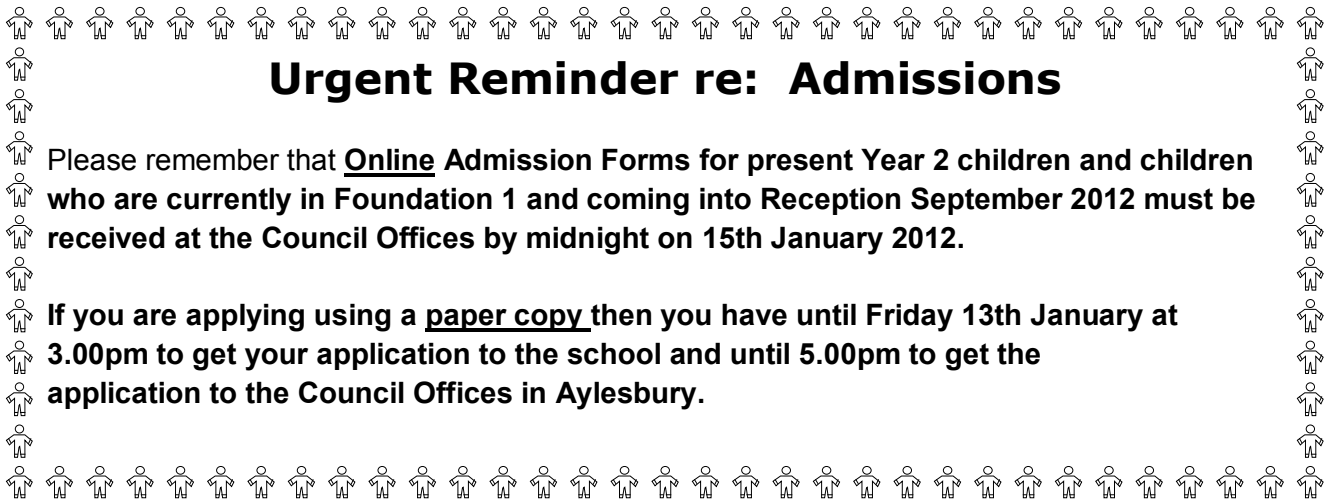


General Information

A very Happy New Year to everyone from all the staff at Bedgrove Infant School. We sincerely hope that you had a lovely Christmas break and are feeling refreshed for the start of 2012.

We are very pleased to announce that during the Christmas holidays WiFi was installed in the school to enable better access to the internet and use of computers and IT in the classrooms. Also we now have some very smart toilets in the main block for the children to use. Please feel free to pop your head round the door and see these for real or alternatively look on the school website and see a photograph of these.

May I take the opportunity to thank all parents for their generous contribution of money following our Christmas performances, as this has helped towards the cost of the new toilets. We were able to send a cheque off to South Africa and await the return of Mr and Mrs Rye to tell our children how the money has helped children in the kindergarten and we also have money to spend on replacing some outside equipment also. We are very grateful for your continued support. Thank you.



Urgent Reminder re: Admissions

Please remember that **Online Admission Forms** for present Year 2 children and children who are currently in Foundation 1 and coming into Reception September 2012 must be received at the Council Offices by midnight on 15th January 2012.

If you are applying using a **paper copy** then you have until Friday 13th January at 3.00pm to get your application to the school and until 5.00pm to get the application to the Council Offices in Aylesbury.

New Staff

We would like to welcome Mrs Fiona Scott onto the staff as a new Midday Supervisor to replace Mrs Linda Raybould who resigned due to family reasons at the end of last term. Mrs Scott will start on Monday in class 1JF. We would also like to welcome GTP's Helen Thomson who will be working in 1JB and Viv Capron who will be working in 1JG to our school for this term.



Spare Clothing

Please can you ensure that clothes your child may wear home due to a mishap in school are returned as soon as possible, as we quickly run out of extra clothing. If anyone has spare clothes to add to our supply we would very much appreciate any items. We are especially in need of boys' clothing. The office will gladly accept any such contributions.

Free School Meals Applications

As schools are awarded a sum of money for any child who qualifies for a free school meal, please consider if you are eligible as this money is used specifically for supporting children in school. Forms are available on our website to download and complete, or you can collect a hard copy from the office. Please rest assured that information regarding free school meals is confidential. Please could completed forms be sent to the school office by Thursday 12th January at the latest.

Celebrations Assembly

This will take place **Monday 6th February** starting at 9.15 a.m. Please bring any trophies, medals and certificates to your class teacher and make sure that each item is labelled with your **child's name and class**. Frequently the same medals are awarded to children **so please** make sure these too are clearly labelled with a sticker, on the back. All awards must be brought into school by **3.00 p.m. on Thursday 2nd February**. If your child wishes to perform and their coach or tutor is willing to say anything about the activities in which your child is involved, then please let Mrs Wreglesworth know. If younger siblings attend Celebrations Assembly please appreciate that the event can be prolonged, depending on the number of awards to be given out, and we would ask that they remain as quiet as possible.

Olympics 2012

The school has successfully had their application to join the Olympic 2012 'Get Set' network approved. We are awaiting our plaque in recognition of our success in becoming a member school. Thanks to Miss Morley for her help in compiling this. This means that we can now access a lot of resources and be at the forefront of what is happening for schools, regarding the Olympics. We will keep you informed of our plans and latest news related to the 'Get Set' project. Should any parent have any contacts or ideas connected to the Olympic Games, via their workplace or personal interest/expertise, then please contact the school office.

PE

As part of our PE curriculum in dance, we are working on introducing dance routines from a variety of countries that take part in the Olympic Games. Being aware of the range of languages in school and different countries of origin of some of our children, we would love to hear from anyone who may be able to support us with, for example Spanish 'Flamenco', Indian / Bollywood dancing. Please contact Miss Sarah Morley or the school office if you are able to help. Thank you.



Mr Mitchener's Clubs

Mr Mitchener's Clubs will begin once he has returned from Paternity Leave and we will advise you of the exact date closer to the time.

Dates for Spring Term 2012

Monday 23rd January	'Drop In and Discuss' Afternoon 3.00pm—4.00pm
Tuesday 24th January	'Drop In and Discuss' Morning 8.00am—8.30am
Monday 6th February	Celebrations Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday 7th February	Parents Evening (Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 2) 3.00pm—6.00pm
Wednesday 8th February	Parents Evening (Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 2) 3.00pm—8.00pm
Friday 10th February	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 3.00pm FOR HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Monday 20th February	SCHOOL RE-OPENS FOR SECOND HALF TERM AT 8.55am
Sunday 11th March	PTA Indoor Car Boot Sale
Monday 12th March	'Drop In and Discuss' Afternoon 3.00pm—4.00pm
Tuesday 13th March	'Drop In and Discuss' Morning 8.00—8.30am
Thursday 29th March	Easter Bonnet Parade
Friday 30th March	SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30pm FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAY
Monday 16th April	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR INSET DAY
Tuesday 17th April	SCHOOL RE-OPENS AT 8.55am FOR START OF THE SUMMER TERM

The next newsletter will be: **Monday 23rd January 2012**

