

Dates for your diary:

Monday 5th September: INSET

Tuesday 6th September: INSET

Wednesday 7th September: Children back to school

Thursday 8th September 2.30pm: A welcome session for Year 1-Year 6 only (more details below)

Friday 9th September 8.50pm-9.30am: A welcome session

Wednesday 14th September: FOBs AGM 7.30pm

Thursday 15th September: Y5 Residential Evening 7pm

Friday 30th September: Grandparents Day 9.30-11.30 and afternoon performances at 1.30pm and 2.30pm

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new academic year. I hope you have had a wonderful holiday and you have managed to relax and have fun. We have been very busy with building work this summer and we now have a fantastic new Pre-school building to welcome the children into on Wednesday. We have also completely refurbished the EYFS classrooms and the KS2 adventure playground has had a complete makeover.



This year, the schools' priorities will be to focus on ensuring the children achieve their full potential through exploring mastery & greater depth of learning. We will be monitoring the children's progress carefully and making sure they achieve as well as enjoying their learning.

The autumn term promises to be filled with fun with the continuation of the Ethical Enterprise focus and a 'Roald Dahl' theme week commencing 24th October. We aim to increase opportunities for parents to come into school and share their children's learning. We look forward to working with you and enjoying another successful year.

September 2016 Welcome session Year 1 –Year 6 parents

We would like to invite all parents to a welcome session where parents/carers can see their child's new classroom and say hello to the new teacher. We have taken into consideration the needs of working parents and have allocated two sessions to give parents a choice.

Please come along either on Thursday 8th September 2.30-3.15 OR Friday 9th September 8.50-9.30am.

We look forward to seeing you!

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 20th October: Parents Evening 4pm-6.30pm

Tuesday 25th October: Parents Evening 3.30-6pm

Monday 24th –Friday 28th October: Roald Dahl 100th Birthday celebrations

Friday 28th October: Break up for half term/ dress up as a Roald Dahl character

Monday 7th November: Children return

Tuesday 13th December: KS1 Nativity 10am pre-schooler / babies allowed

Wednesday 14th December: KS1 Nativity 2pm NO pre-schoolers/ babies allowed

Thursday 15th December: KS1 Nativity 10am NO pre-schoolers babies allowed

Tuesday 20th December: KS2 Church Service 1.30pm

Wednesday 21st December: KS2 Church Service 6.30pm

Thursday 22nd December: Break up for Christmas/ dress down day

Ethical Enterprise Charities 2016-2017

Ethical Enterprise is a key part of our wider curriculum at Bexton. Through learning about and supporting key charities, the children's curriculum is enhanced; they have real and relevant learning experiences and have the chance to make a difference.

A very important aspect of this project is choosing the charities. There are so many worthwhile charities we could support and we are regularly approached with requests, but when choosing we firstly consider the needs of the children at Bexton; what they need to learn about and how it will fit with the curriculum.

This year we have chosen to support three charities:

-Year 5 and 6 will be learning about 'Retrak' in the autumn term.

This is our 'international' charity and they work to get street children in Africa and South America back into education.



The staff at Radbroke Hall also support this charity and we will be working closely with them to support and learn about the charity.

-Year 3 and 4 will be learning about 'Guide Dogs' in the spring term. We have supported this charity before and it was very popular with the children.



They will be learning about how dogs support people who are partially sighted.

-Year 1 and 2 will be learning about the 'RNLI', the role of the volunteers and how to stay safe near the water.

This year we aim to have more enterprising activities for the children to take part in to raise money and, as we would like to get



'Healthy Schools' status, we will be replacing cake sales with more healthy alternatives! There is more information about the Ethical Enterprise project on our website [here](#).

We use lots of different media to communicate with parents. We use the weekly newsletter to give dates and up to date information about events in school. We use Facebook to celebrate children's achievements in school and give reminders about events. We use Twitter to share information to a wider community. It is very important that parents feel comfortable with their child's image being used in any of these forms of media.

If you do **not** wish your child's image be used then it is very important you share this information with your child's teacher. You can write a note in their diary and this information will be shared with the office. If your child (KS2 only) is allowed to walk home please write a note in their diary to give consent. Without this your child will not be allowed to walk home alone. Many thanks in advance.

