

# Weekly Parents Bulletin



## Autumn 1 Week 5 News

### School Photographs

Individual school photographs will take place on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> October. Hall doors will open at 8:30am for any parents who wish to have a family photograph of siblings not yet in school. All in-school siblings will be taken during the daytime, alongside usual class photos.



We are also having a photographer visit school on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October to take photos of pupils for the school and Trust website. That's 2 days you will have to give them a Scarborough Warning not to mess with their hair or do any painting!

### Change of after-school club

Shawny is changing her Tuesday club to a sports club. Children will play sports with Shawny and enjoy staying fit and healthy whilst learning about sharing, teamwork and cooperation in a series of different games and activities. Sign up directly with Shawny...

All ages throughout the school, boys and girls welcome.  
To book contact Shawny-Leigh  
on 07508984539

### Attendance (Target 97%)

Reception	100%
Year 1	96.9%
Year 2	91.3%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 4	96.0%
Year 5	97.6%
Year 6	98.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>96.7%</b>

### After School Clubs

Mon	Forest School	Mrs Barrott
	Mindfulness	Mrs Millington
	Young Voices	Mrs Rees
Tue	Sports Club	Shawny
	Graphics Club	Mr Swallow
Thu	Dance	Shawny
	Yoga	Mrs Moody

Sign up for after-school clubs on the Arbor app now or contact Shawny directly for Fitness & Dance (poster attached)

Autumn 1	Events
1.9.25	INSET days, school closed
2.9.25	
3.9.25	Return to school
<b>Birdwell Geography subject focus- "Understanding the UK"</b>	
8.9.25	<b>Freddie Fit</b> Whole school fitness event (Wear PE kits)
12.9.25	<b>Roald Dahl Day.</b> Dress as your favourite character
15.9.25	<b>International Day of Democracy- pupil leader elections</b>
26.9.25	<b>MacMillan coffee morning- 9:00am onwards. Baked donations welcomed</b>
26.9.25	<b>TT Rockstars day- dress as a rock star</b>
30.9.25	<b>Rise and shine Reading event.</b> All parents are invited to read in class with their children
1.10.25	<b>Year 1 parents Phonics workshop.</b>
2.10.25	<b>Year 2 library visit</b> (National libraries week)
3.10.25	<b>National Poetry Day- poetry themed activities in school</b>
8.10.25	Birdwell Black History week begins
14.10.25	<b>Open book evening- History &amp; Geography (3:30 all classes)</b>
17.10.25	<b>Black History Museum (8:30-9:00am and 3:30-4:00pm in hall)</b>
20.10.25	Birdwell Sketching week begins
20.10.25	<b>School Photos (Individual &amp; siblings)</b>
21.10.25	<b>Open book evening- art sketching (3:30 all classes)</b> Last day of term
22.10.25	<b>Harvest Festival coffee morning- songs and performances in the hall 9:00am-10:30am</b>
23.10.25 & 24.10.25	INSET day, school closed

**Key events**   **Curriculum coverage**   **In-school events**

## Spring / Summer Term (Week 3)

All our kitchens operate under a Nut-free environment



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Golden cheese and onion roll with mash (V)  Breezy beanzy cheesy topped pie (V)  Jacket potato with a choice of cheese (V), beans (VE), coleslaw (V) or tuna mayonnaise  Served with beans or sweetcorn (VE)	Southern style chicken goujon wrap with golden rice  Crunchy nuggets with golden rice (V)  Sandwich with a choice of cheese (V), jam (V) or tuna	Chicken parma with tomato spaghetti  Spaghetti in tomato sauce (V)  Jacket potato with a choice of cheese (V), beans (VE), coleslaw (V) or tuna mayonnaise  Served with a choice of seasonal vegetables or salad (VE)	Hot dog with new potatoes  Quorn quarter pounder veggie burger with new potatoes (V)  Sandwich with a choice of cheese (V), jam (V) or tuna	Fish fingers or salmon fingers with chips  Curried vegetable pasty with chips (V)  Jacket potato with a choice of cheese (V), beans (VE), coleslaw (V) or tuna mayonnaise  Served with a choice of Peas or beans (VE)
Chefs choice of homemade bake (V)	Chocolate and beetroot cake (V)	Fruit Jelly (V) or Yoghurt (V)	Fruit shortbread biscuit (V)	Fruity Friday (VE) or Yoghurt (V)



Please be aware that we are unable to guarantee a completely allergen-free environment, as foods containing allergens are used in our kitchens

Weeks Commencing:  
12th May / 2nd Jun/ 23rd Jun /  
14th Jul / 15th Sep / 06th Oct

Available daily: Unlimited vegetables (VE)  
Unlimited fresh water. Selection of fruit (VE).  
Bread basket (V).  
V indicates vegetarian and VE for vegan option



# Visits to places of worship

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have recently been made aware, through feedback from our parental community, that some comments have been raised regarding our visits to places of worship. This has highlighted that some clarification may be needed about why, as a school, we place such a high value on these wider educational and social experiences.

At Birdwell, we are committed to providing children with a broad and balanced education that goes beyond the classroom through our 'Bright Beginnings'. Experiences such as visiting places of worship are carefully planned to help all our pupils gain a deeper understanding of the diverse world they live in, to foster respect, tolerance and curiosity.

We believe these visits are key experiences for all of our children. They provide opportunities to ask questions, experience learning first-hand and strengthen the values of respect and community which are central to our school ethos and fundamental British values.

To ensure clarity and provide an opportunity to answer any questions, we will be hosting a **parent session on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 4:30pm** During this session, we will outline the purpose of the visit, explain how it fits into our curriculum and respond directly to any queries you may have based on the responses to the Microsoft Form link below. This will help us ensure the session addresses the areas that matter most to you:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=8rEdoaCytEGRZ13lRN4eVZcDW3ebSD9Jg2GhKzHuBSVUOFoxRDQ5VjUyVEg3NLJXRFFOQOVLUTBHNS4u>



We encourage you to attend and engage in this important conversation, as your partnership is central to the success of our children's learning journey.

Kind Regards  
Rich Swallow, Head Teacher