



# NEWSLETTER

Dates for Your

## DIARY



**Monday 3rd October 2022**

Flu Vaccinations (First Visit)

**Monday 10th October 2022**

World Mental Health Day

Wear something yellow.

**Thursday 20th October 2022**

Halloween Disco

**Friday 21st October 2022**

PD Day (Non-pupil Day)

**24th—28th October 2022**

Half-term Break

**Monday 31st October 2022**

Start of Half-term

**Wednesday 23rd November 2022**

Flu Vaccinations (Second Visit)

**Friday 16th December 2022**

End of Term

## A message from the

# PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome to our new-look News-  
letter! I hope you all had a lovely  
summer break. The summer holi-  
days seem such a long time ago  
now. For the last four weeks the  
children have been working very  
hard on their learning. Mr Ratcliffe  
and I have visited the classes to see  
their hard work for ourselves. I  
have today seen some beautifully  
neat handwriting in Year 4 and our  
Year 1 children working hard on  
den-building out on the field.

You will notice that your children  
are increasingly taking on responsi-  
bilities both in their classroom as  
monitors handling our books and  
equipment and at a whole school  
level. School council elections have  
been held, Eco council team mem-  
bers have almost all been selected,  
and Arts Ambassadors have been  
discussed with the children. Taking  
on a responsibility like this helps to  
build character in our children and  
make them active citizens in the  
future. Please can I ask you to sup-  
port your child if they are chosen.

I have started the year by talking to  
all the children in Assembly about  
our school rules. We call them The  
Beck Row Way and they are very  
simple:

Be ready.

Be safe.

Be respectful.

The children were able to tell me  
lots of different ways they can  
show the Beck Row Way in school.  
Our Celebration Assembly on a  
Friday morning is a chance for chil-  
dren to get rewarded for following  
the Beck Row Way and showing  
their outstanding behaviour.

And finally, I wanted to thank all  
the staff who accompanied our  
Year 6 children on their residential  
3-day trip to Thorpe Woodlands a  
couple of weeks ago. It was a fan-  
tastic time away for the children  
and they all returned exhausted  
but elated. It was a great way for  
the children to come together as a  
class team to support each other  
through a year of SATS tests and  
thoughts of Secondary school.

*Sarah Shayler*

**Principal**

# Harvest Donations

This year we are supporting –

**King's Project Food Bank** in Mildenhall.

In the current climate, they have seen an increase in families in crisis so our support is much needed.

The most essential items are -

Cake Mixes

Tinned Fruit

Tinned Vegetables (peas/carrots)

Sandwich Spreads (for school lunch boxes)

Jars of Pickle, Jam and Marmalade

Pasta and Rice

Tinned Main Meals (eg. Irish Stew, Mince Beef, Meatballs, Chilli Con Carne, Meat Pies)

A huge thank you to all those who have donated, we collected a substantial amount of food last week. If you would still like to donate, please bring items in by Thursday at the latest.

# Early Years

Early Years have settled in well to school. They are enjoying learning through different activities each day and have made some new friends. We have begun learning phonics and each day we learn a new sound and practice writing the letter. The children are doing well getting themselves changed for PE each week, and any extra practice at home is always appreciated!



# Safeguarding



## Mental Health

Welcome to the new Safeguarding section of our newsletter. We ensure that safeguarding our pupils is our number one priority and that this underpins everything that we do. The Safeguarding team is made up Mr David Hicks (Safeguarding Lead), Mr James Gibbs (Safeguarding Manager) and Mrs Sarah Shayler (Alternate Safeguarding Lead). If you have any concerns please come and find us or alternatively speak to any member of staff.

At Beck Row we aim to promote positive mental health and wellbeing for our whole school community and recognise how important mental health and emotional wellbeing is to our lives in just the same way as physical health.

We know that everyone experiences life challenges that can make us vulnerable and at times, anyone may need additional emotional support.

We promote mental health within our PSHE curriculum (jigsaw) and also through mental health days. A great guide to use to support your child is shown below:

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/>

It is world mental health day on **Monday 10th October** and the school will be supporting this by wearing something **yellow**. So start looking in



# Club Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
After School	Tag Rugby (Premier)  Football Club (Mr Smith)	Dodgeball (Premier)	Gymnastics (Premier)	No Club (Premier)	Football (Premier)



*Football Tournament*

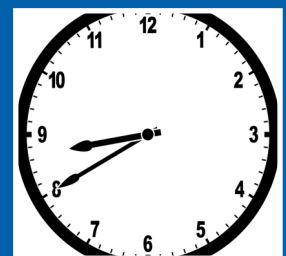


## ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is so important to support learning, make progress and to help social skills. Our attendance target is 97%, our current attendance is 95.2%.

Can I remind everyone that the school gates open at 8.40am and the school day starts at 8.50am. Arriving after 9.15am, without a valid reason, is classed as unauthorised absence.

If your child is unwell, you should telephone the office by 9.15am on the first morning of absence. If we are not informed, or the reason is not valid, the absence will be recorded as unauthorised.



# Lunch

All children in **Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2** receive **free school meals**.

Menus are sent out twice a year. Children can choose a hot dinner or a cold 'pick and mix' option.

Alternatively, you may send your child to school with a healthy packed lunch.

Children in **Years 3 to 6** need to pay, in advance, for their school lunch. This is **£2.31 per day**, £11.55 per week. Please pay online at

[www.eduspot.co.uk](http://www.eduspot.co.uk). Please ask the office for a password if you do not have one as the Academy is no longer able to accept cash.

We are a **NUT FREE** school, please ensure packed lunches do not contain nuts or nut products.

*The Lunch Menu can be found at -*

<https://beckrow.attrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2022/07/Chartwells-Lunch-Menu-Summer-2022.pdf>

# Thorpe Woodlands

Year 6 had a wonderful time at Thorpe Woodlands with everyone working wonderfully in their teams and all tried something different by going out of their comfort zone!



# New Staff



Mr Ratcliffe is our new Assistant Principal.



Mr Thomas is the new Special Educational Needs coordinator (SENDCo).



Miss Addison is our new year 4 teacher in Dahl Class.



Miss Weller-Poley is our PPA teacher working across the school in various classes.



Miss Farmborough is our new year 2 teacher in Blyton Class.



Miss Coomber is our new Teaching Assistant.



Miss King is our new Middy Supervisor.



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