



Severn Beach Primary School

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Dream Big. Challenge Ourselves. Make it happen.

What an amazing start to a new term and a new year at Severn Beach Primary School! Our Values Focus for Terms 3 and 4 is... **'Be Healthy and Be Happy'**. We had a wonderful assembly this week where we learned about various techniques to use if you're feeling worried or anxious which the children responded to really well. There will be much more of this to come over the next few weeks and the children will be bringing some of these ideas home to use as well. Children's Mental Health week is coming up at the beginning of February and we will be working on lots of strategies to help you **'Be Happy'**.

Great news! Attendance has improved!!! It has been **above target** this week and also last week! And some classes have had 100%. Well done everyone for being **'On Time Every Day'** - remember every day counts.

Look out for all the fabulous curriculum events in this Newsletter which have taken place so far this term. It's been very exciting!!

Attendance last week:

Overall - 98.4%
Kingfishers -100!!!
Wagtails - 98.15
Sandpipers -95.46
Oystercatchers - 100!!!

This week:

Overall - 97.9%
Kingfishers - 95.11
Wagtails - 98.35
Sandpipers - 98.31
Oystercatchers - 100!!!



The day a dinosaur came to school...

'I thought it was extreme; as you don't really get to have dinosaurs at school!'

'The dinosaur sprayed water at us' - Cayman

'Dinosaurs have very sharp teeth' - Poppy



Jewellery

May I respectfully remind you that the wearing of jewellery is not permitted at school (with the exception of small stud earrings and watches). This is obviously for reasons of health and safety around the classroom, on the playground and during P.E. lessons.

Mrs Francis Barr

As you may be aware, Mrs Francis Barr a much loved and respected key figure in the local community and a previous chair of governors at Severn Beach Primary School passed away suddenly in the holidays. There has been discussion in the community and on various forums about how to honour her. It has been decided to create a collage depicting local landmarks such as the pebbles on the beach. The project will involve our pupils, staff and as many members of the community as possible.

Snow

I am keeping a watchful eye on the weather forecast at the moment as it has become much colder. In the event of very significant snowfall, I just wanted to remind you about how we will notify you officially about the status of the school.

1. You will receive a text message from Mrs Kingston.
2. There will be a message on our website:
www.severnbeachprimary.co.uk
3. You can go to: www.southglos.gov.uk for information on school closures.

Term 3 and 4 - Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 22nd January - Launch of 'Rockstars Timestables' - information to parents coming home that day.

Tuesday 29th January - Bristol City coaching sessions for EYFS/KS1

Wednesday 30th January 5-5:30pm - 'Oracy Workshop' for parents of reception children.

Thursday 31st January - 'Stay and Play' in Kingfishers Class for parents. 2-3:15pm

Tuesday 5th February - Safer Internet Day - activities all day.

Thursday 14th February - Chinese Ribbon Dancing Workshops for the all children

Friday 15th February 2pm - 'Dino dancing' in Kingfishers - parents of children in this class invited to watch.

Friday 15th February - Term ends. Last day for children.

Monday 25th February - Term 4 begins. First day for children.

Tuesday 26th February - First swimming session for Sandpipers.

Thursday 28th February - Radio Bristol recording Y3 childrens' opinions of current affairs.

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day - dress up as your favourite book character

Friday 8th March - PTA 'Movie Night'.

Friday 15th March - 'Red Nose Day'

Friday 22nd March - The Severn Beach Primary School Marathon

Wednesday 3rd April and Thursday 4th April - Parents Evenings

Reminder: May 13th -17th Sats Week for Y6 pupils Residential Week: 10th June



'I liked it because the dinosaur kept getting my brother. We learned so much too' - Cora

At the end we got to handle lots of different fossils and it was really interesting - John



When we smelt the dinosaur poo it was hilarious! - Bea



Engineering company GallifordTry came to school last week and instructed us on how to build a suspension bridge.

It was incredibly important to understand the safety regulations and wear a high vis jacket and helmet at all times.



Collaboration and teamwork made the job easier, quicker and safer. We also used our scientific, mathematical, engineering and design technology skills - STEM.



'It was a fantastic experience and has inspired many of us to want to become engineers.'



'We tested the bridge by walking over it. We were surprised that it bounced slightly but this mimicked the action of a real suspension bridge.'

