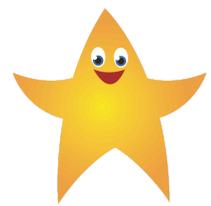


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Date: 03/09/25

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you've all had a fantastic summer and enjoyed the good weather! A huge welcome back to all our pupils, as we embark on another exciting academic year. We are especially delighted to welcome our new reception pupils and those joining us for the first time from other schools.

I would also like to welcome Miss Holloway, who is joining our Year 1/2 team this year. We are delighted to have her on board.

It has been a busy summer at Birchgrove. As we said goodbye and expressed our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs Morgan for her unwavering support and care for our community, we eagerly anticipate the opportunities that this change will bring. A big thank you also goes to Mr Drane, our caretaker, and my dedicated team of volunteers for their hard work in giving parts of the school a fresh look for the new academic year.

I am both excited and proud to be the new headteacher of Birchgrove. The amazing staff have made me feel incredibly welcome, for which I am very grateful. They have been diligently preparing for the children's return after the summer, and all are eager to welcome our pupils back this morning.

I look forward to meeting you in the coming days and weeks, so please do stop to say hello when you see me at the gates. Your voice is important to me and crucial to the day-to-day running of our school community. To facilitate this, I will be sending out a Parental Voice survey soon to gather your thoughts on our successes and any adjustments we can make to enhance the Birchgrove experience for everyone. Additionally, I would like to invite you to a brief 'Meet the New Headteacher' meeting on Thursday, 2nd October at 3pm. It would be lovely to see you there if you are able to attend.

Lastly, one of Birchgrove's most celebrated pupils, Geraint Thomas, will be riding through the area this Sunday (7th) as part of the Tour of Britain. If you're interested in witnessing this exciting sporting event in our very own community, please check the timings via the link below.

[Tour of Britain Details](#)

Yours sincerely,

Simon Johns

Headteacher,

Birchgrove Primary School

Dates for the Term

As we progress through the term, additional dates will be added. Kindly monitor your class Dojo and my Monthly Newsletters for any updates.

September	
8th	Yr 5 Animal Zone Visitors
9th	Yr 5 Curriculum Talk 3:45pm
11th	Yr 4 Curriculum Talk 3:45pm
12th	PTFA Welcome Gathering
15th	Reception Curriculum Talk 3:45pm
16th	Yr 3 Curriculum Talk 3:45pm
18th	Yr 1 & 2 Curriculum Talk 3:45pm
Wk beginning 22nd	Y6 Cycling
23rd	Colorfoto - Individual and Siblings school photos Year 6 Curriculum Talk 3.45pm
Wk beginning 29th	Yr 6 Cycling
30th	Year 4 Visit to Bethesda
October	
1st	Yr 5 Bethesda Visit
2nd	Meet the Headteacher Meeting 3pm Yr 6 Visit to Bethesda Yr 1&2 The Meadows Wildlife Park Trip
27th - 31st	Half Term Holiday
November	
5th	Flu Spray Reception - Yr 6
20th	Yr 6 Senedd Trip
December	
17th	St Mark's Carol Service
19th	Aladdin Panto R - Yr3 & Yr 4 - Yr6