Dear Parents/Carers

What a hectic half-term it has been for everyone in school. It is a very exciting time for the school as our expansion continues with the addition of another new class. I want to praise and thank ALL Pupils, Staff and Families over the past weeks and months as work has progressed on the building improvements.

Our new Year 1 classrooms on the ground floor look great with teaching walls, new flooring and upgraded IT equipment. We will be adding some more outdoor provision for Year 1 over the coming weeks.

The ‘new building’ should be ready for use by early December. The internal classrooms are now being painted and flooring is being laid. Our new playground equipment and surfacing should be installed in December. Pupils are excited to see the works progressing.

With all of the work taking place it would be easy to forget about learning. As I reported in the summer, the school did very well with the statutory assessments in Reception, Year 2 and Year 6. You can see our full results by clicking on: www.beaconsfieldprimary.org.uk/docs/Beaconsfield_Primary_School_SAT_Data_July_2016.pdf

When we focus on “pupil attainment” in the Year 6 SATs assessments we find that Beaconsfield Primary out of 62 schools in Ealing is:

a) 1st for combined Reading, Writing & Maths.
b) 1st for Mathematics
c) 5th for Reading
d) 7th for Writing

This excellent attainment is a source of pride for pupils and staff by itself but when we also look at the “progress” made by pupils from KS1 to KS2 we find our school is:

i) 2nd highest for reading (+4.4)
ii) 8th highest for writing (+3.0)
iii) 1st in Ealing for Mathematics (+5.3)

As parents/carers you can be assured that if your child attends our school; Keeps attendance above 96% then she/he will attain highly and make excellent progress. This reflects our school ethos of ‘Belief’ in oneself; ‘Persevere’ and work hard and you will achieve ‘Success’.

Best Wishes

Mr Dave Woods
Head Teacher
Premises News

As you can see the work to the new building is rapidly approaching completion. The large crane was removed from the site a few weeks ago and work inside is at the decoration stages with flooring, painting and lighting all being completed.

We are waiting for the gas, electricity and water companies to connect these services so that we can occupy the building as soon as it is finished.

Within our existing building you can now see that the old chimney has been fully removed and the roof patched. Our new administration office is almost complete and we have been trialling the automated gates and doors at the front of the school.

You must push this white button mounted on the silver pole to let staff know to open the front door. You can then proceed into the entrance lobby.

This green button on the gas cupboard will open the automated gate, allowing you to exit from the school site. Please do not push or pull the gate.
Curriculum News

Sustainable Travel (STARS)

The school was informed over the summer that we were successful in achieving the “Silver Level Accreditation” for promoting active and safe travel initiatives. Congratulations go to Mrs Moezzi, Mrs Jama and the Junior Travel Ambassadors for their work towards achieving this award.

International Schools Award

For a number of years we have been developing and learning about international perspectives within the curriculum. We have undertaken partnership work with schools in China, France and most recently Poland.

During the past year Mr Bocian has been leading on this area to develop greater links with our chosen link school in Poland. We have already been raising some money to fund a visit by a group of pupils to our link school in Poland. We have so far raised £124 which will be matched by the school.

Thanks to work of pupils and staff, we were successful in again being accredited with the International Schools Award at the start of September.

Staff News

Our term began on a very sad note with the unexpected death of Miss Carol Sparks who was the teacher of ‘Starfish Class’ within the ARP.

Miss Sparks had worked in a number of schools during her career teaching and supporting pupils who had additional needs. We extend our condolences, thoughts and best wishes to her family and friends as they come to terms with Carol’s unexpected passing.

“Eternal rest grant unto her; May she rest in peace”

Over the summer we also had the sad news that Miss Shaheen and Mrs Bhachu both suffered injuries in vehicle accidents. Miss Shaheen is back at work whilst Mrs Bhachu continues to recover. We wish both of them a continued speedy recovery from their injuries.

At the start if the term we welcomed Mrs Jagyasi to the school as the teacher for Year 1 Blue. We welcome her to the team at Beaconsfield and wish her many happy years at the school.
Mr Bedi and the Eco-Schools Team entered us into the “Ealing in Bloom” competition during the summer term. It was very tough for the pupils this year as large areas of our gardens have been removed for the building works. Despite this the team was successful in being awarded a “Highly Commended Certificate”. Congratulations and well done to all who were involved.

**Assertive Mentoring (Assessment)**

It was fantastic to see almost 70 parents/carers attending our ‘Curriculum Evening’ event back in September to learn more about our assessment processes and procedures. Such a high level of parental support is important to enable the continued success of pupils in our school.

We hope as our “Assertive Mentoring” programme continues to develop you will feel more confident about your child’s learning progress and also attitude to learning.

**Nursery**

In Nursery we have been learning about the parts of our body.

- We have sung the heads, shoulders knees and toes song.
- We have played the game where we had to point to parts of our body: “Show me your mouth”
- We made it harder and had to find 2 parts of our body. “Show me your eyes and your ears.
- We looked in mirrors and then painted pictures of our faces.
Reception—Blue

In Reception Blue we have been learning about Autumn changes. Ajay noticed that all the leaves were falling off the trees. Viha learned that the leaves change colour in autumn and Anishga talked about the weather getting colder.

We have been learning to work together as a team. We have made lots of new friends and we’re learning to work in small groups collaboratively.

We love making large models in the outside garden!

Reception—Yellow

It has been a very exciting beginning to the New Year, with Reception settling into a brand new spacious class. The children have been engaged in many different activities including learning about themselves in PSHE, shapes and measurement in Maths and about the season of autumn in understanding the world.

In Literacy the children have been reading the story of ‘The Little Red Hen’ and they were able to make puppets to use in role play. They were also able to use their cooking skills to bake bread. Reception Yellow are now learning the phonics sounds and are all working hard to learn the different actions representing the different letters.

We are extremely proud of how well the children have settled into the class and wish you all a relaxing half term!
**Year 1 Blue**

This half term Year 1 Blue have been very busy getting familiar with their new classroom and have been working hard in all subjects across the curriculum.

In English we have been developing our writing skills and have been learning how to write clear sentences including full stops, capital letters and finger spaces.

In Maths we have been focusing on numbers, counting reliably and learning how to solve number sentences using addition and subtraction.

In History we have been looking at houses in our local area. We have been investigating the similarities and differences between houses from the past and present and used vocabulary such as ‘terraced’, ‘detached’, ‘semi-detached’ and ‘flats’ to describe our home.

**Year 1 Yellow**

Year 1 Yellow have been learning to add and subtract using toys, cubes, numicons and number lines. We can also use our fingers to help us. In English we have learnt how to write captions and now we are learning to write our own sentences. Learning phonics and using different resources is fun. In Science we have learnt about different body parts and different senses. We enjoyed painting our portraits which was great fun.
Year 2

Year 2 have been spending this half term getting used to the higher expectations in learning this year as they prepare for SATs.

We started the term by reading *The Tiger Who Came to Tea* by Judith Kerr and this led to a focus of designing and making healthy sandwiches in DT and writing instructions in English. Our instructions had to be clearly written and in order so that someone else can understand them. We also wrote our own story based on *The Disgusting Sandwich* by Gareth Edwards and had great fun thinking of appropriate adjectives to use when describing something disgusting. Here is some of our work:

Next half term we are looking forward to learning about the ‘Polar Regions’ and we have already started our Geography Project that researches this topic.

Year 3

We have been having so much fun during our first term of Year 3!

We have learnt new skills and information in our Maths, English, Science and History lessons.

One of our topics in Maths has been 3D shapes and we were able to learn about the properties. As a fun activity we made 3D shapes out of coloured straws and tooth picks.
Year 4

Year 4 have been really busy this half term. Our History topic has been all about the Romans. We learnt who they are and how they invaded the U.K. We also learnt their tactics when battling. We designed and made Roman shields as well as mosaic pictures.

In English we read the story "Iron Man", written by Ted Hughes. The class really enjoyed reading the book and taking part in some fun activities. We wrote poems about the 'Iron Man' in the scrap yard and also created story maps. In the last chapter there was a battle taking place between Iron Man and a beast, we made posters to advertise the fight.

In science we have been learning about the food chain and created some paper cup food chains of animals. The cups show how animals eat the producer and which animals are the top predators.

Year 5

Assassination of Franz Ferdinand!

Yesterday, on 28th June 1914 Franz Ferdinand, 50, heir to Austrian Hungarian throne, was assassinated in Sarajevo by Gavrilo Princip.

Franz Ferdinand had taken some of Serbia’s land which made Gavrilo Princip very angry and decided to assassinate him with his gang called the Black Hand society. He arrived at Sarajevo at 9:28am. Gavrilo Princip and the other six Serbs planned to assassinate the Archduke.

At 10:12am Nedeljko Cabronovic hurled his home-made bomb at Archduke’s car. Unfortunately for him bomb hit the third car in the column not the second car where Franz Ferdinand was driving. Archduke escaped unhurt.

He decided to abandon the visit and return home via a different route to the one planned however no one had told the driver the route had changed.

On the way back, therefore, the driver turned into Franz Josef Street, following the published route and, when told of his error, stopped the car to turn around. Unfortunately, the car stopped in front of Gavrilo Princip, one of the conspirators, who was on his way home thinking he had failed. Princip pulled out a gun and shot at Franz Ferdinand, hitting him in the jugular vein. There was a tussle, during which Princip shot and killed Sophie.

By 11.30am, Franz Ferdinand had bled to death.

Chief police said that he has absolutely no idea why Gavrilo Princip had assassinated Franz Ferdinand.

The government will investigate the ‘Black Hand society’ and they will be in jail for 15 years.

By Keerthan
Year 6

Year 6’s Trip to Ypres, Belgium

This half term Year 6 had the opportunity to visit Ypres in Belgium. Our school building was used as a hospital for Australian and New Zealand soldiers during World War One and so we found it fascinating to visit the place where a lot of the fighting took place and where, sadly, hundreds of thousands of men were killed. During the day we visited the 'In Flanders Fields Museum' which contains a wide range of artefacts and information about the war and the 'Menin Gate Memorial' which lists the names of thousands of men whose bodies were never recovered from the battlefields. We also visited the Tyne Cot Cemetery which is where Mrs Tonge’s great uncle D.L. Young who died in Ypres is commemorated. We were able to lay some flowers and a poppy to remember him.

We are continuing to work towards achieving our Level 1 ‘Rights Respecting Schools Award’ and each class have completed a Class Charter that refers to the United Nation Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). The charters help us to remember our rights and what we can do to ensure the rights are respected for everyone.
Additional Resource Provision (ARP)

Dolphin Class

Trip to Belgium

Talha and Jaspreet joined Year 5 and Year 6 day trip to Belgium. They visited the Menin Gate Memorial and enjoyed the journey by coach through the Euro Tunnel.

We joined the Beat The Street, the local community life walking challenge. We enjoyed walking the distances all around Southall.

We completed four afternoon walks which two of them were to walk along the Grand Union Canal. It was exciting to see some swans, squirrels and pigeons on our walking challenges.

Starfish Class

Starfish class has settled well in a new classroom and are excited about moving into the new building soon. The children enjoy watching the builders from the classroom window and love it when the crane moves.

We have been busy learning about household things, transport and toys in history and exploring materials in science.

We would like to welcome Sai to our class. He has settled in very well and is enjoying making new friends.

Have a lovely Half-Term.
Our meals will continue to be prepared and cooked at Tudor Primary. We will use our new kitchen as soon as it is available. We offer a daily ‘hot meal’ service plus salad bar. Halal and Non-Halal food options will be available Mon-Thurs and a vegetarian (non-meat) option on Friday.

All Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a “school lunch” each day. If you have not registered for this please take a form from the school office. This saves you £437 a year.

Pupils in Year 3 to Year 6 may be entitled to ‘Free School Meals’ if you receive certain benefits or job seekers allowance. Please enquire at the school office.

School Dinner Costs

- Meals cost £2.30 per day (£11.50 per week).
- The cost for the next half-term is £85.10 (37 days)
- All meals need to be paid for in advance. Year 5 & Year 6 pupils will only be served a meal if they are in credit. Payment must be in advance.
- Payments should be made via:
  - Phone 020 8280 0318
  - www.ealingmeals.com
- Please use the website or phone number for payments.
- All payments must be online or by phone.

Lost Property

The ‘Lost Property Box’ is located near the exit door to the playground at the ‘nursery end’ of the building. Please do check for any missing and lost items as we have to clear the box regularly.

Apply for free school meals

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- Pupils in Year 3 to Year 6 may be entitled to ‘Free School Meals’ if you receive certain benefits or job seekers allowance. Please enquire at the school office.
- For every successful free meal application the school receives up to £1400 of extra funding that we can use to help and support learning for pupils. There is no harm in completing an application form and potentially many benefits for all pupils.
- Please apply for ‘Free School Meals’ today.
- All Year 6 meals must be paid for in advance. Refusal of service may occur when meals are not ‘pre-paid’.

Packed Lunch

If your child is having a packed lunch we expect this to be a healthy lunch. Items such as crisps, biscuits and small chocolate bar etc. can be included on a Friday only (as a treat).

Pupils must bring their packed lunch to school with them in the morning at the start of the school day. Pupils who forget their lunch will be given a school meal and you will be charged £2.30.
Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every morning that school is open starting at 7:45am in the school dining room. We do have some places available in breakfast club. (Registration forms from the office). Breakfast Club will start from **Tuesday 1st November**.

The cost for the breakfast club for the next half term is:

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- The ‘pre-pay discount is only for payments made in full before **Tuesday 8th November 2016**
- There is a large discount available for pupils entitled to ‘Free School Meals’. Application forms for FSM and Breakfast Club can be collected from the school office.

E-Safety Tips

We have updated the E-Safety section of our website and it contains lots of information for parents, carers and pupils.

Take a look.  
http://www.beaconsfieldprimary.org.uk/E-Safety/information/

‘Stay and Play’ Toddler Group

Our “Stay and Play” toddler group usually runs 5 days a week from 9.00-11.00am in the dining room. Please pop along for a cup of tea and some fun activities for young toddlers. All afternoon nursery children are also welcome to come along. This is an opportunity for you to play with your child and support their early learning skills.

**All parents must stay during these sessions as parents remain responsible for their children.**

Stay & Play will commence from **Monday 14th November on Mon, Wed only** until completion of the building works.

The 50p contribution towards costs is important to help us in maintaining quality equipment for the ‘Stay and Play group’.
**Attendance and Punctuality**

Attendance at school is the key to achieving excellent learning results. Pupils cannot learn effectively if they continue to miss school days. We expect all pupils to attend school for a **minimum of 96% of all sessions**. This allows enough time for the usual coughs, colds, fevers etc. that all pupils will have from time to time.

Attendance is monitored by the school on a daily, weekly and half-termly basis. If attendance is **below 96%** or there are ‘unauthorised absences’ you should expect to receive letters, phone calls and even a visit from the LA attendance officer. The Local Authority (LA) does issue £120 fines for non-attendance.

If your child is absent due to illness/sickness we ask that you phone the school by 9:45am to leave a message using ‘Option 1’ of the answering machine and providing:
- Your child’s name
- Your child’s class
- Reason for absence

**When your child returns to school, you will need to provide the school office with a written note explaining the reason for the absence.** (Please note: A written note is required even if you have phoned the office)

**Punctuality**

The school day starts at **8:50am**. Pupils are late if they are not in their class line at this time. We expect that pupils will be in the playground by **8:45am** to avoid being late.

In January we will be conducting some ‘gate checks’ at 8:50am and recording as “late” all pupils who enter the school grounds after 8:50am.

**Attendance Rewards and Prizes**

We always want to ‘encourage’ and ‘reward’ pupils who maintain excellent attendance levels. In addition to our termly **Bike Raffle** we have had our **“100%” Draw** where pupils who achieve 100% attendance for a term are able to enter a draw for a £20 gift voucher.

We now run a termly **96% Club** as a group reward. Unlike our other rewards which require a drawing system to get a winner, the 96% Club will reward every single pupil who achieves attendance above this level. Our first 96% Club event saw 141 pupils being rewarded. They got to enjoy a movie afternoon with drinks and crisps.

**Leave During Term Time**

Please be aware that **there is no automatic right for leave from school**. The Department for Education (DFE) has instructed schools that leave may only be granted in **“exceptional circumstances”**.

We do expect that all leave /holidays are taken during 13 weeks of the year when school is closed. Any requests for leave must be made in advance using the school leave form.

“Exceptional circumstances” does not include: holidays, attending weddings, cheap flights, religious festivals, visiting sick relatives, engagements or grandparent requests to see children. Reasons such as these will not be authorised. This kind of absence will be referred to the local authority for issuing fines and possible prosecutions.

Very sadly, because there have been instances where families have lied to the school about deaths in a family we now have to ask for evidence to support such leave requests.

All parent/carers need to be aware that taking **“unauthorised leave”** is an offence under section 444 of the Education Act (1996). Such an offence can be subject to prosecution or liable for a penalty notice (£120 per child)

Pupils who take unauthorised leave may be removed from the school and will have to re-apply to Ealing Admissions upon return to the UK. During the last half-term we have removed pupils from the school roll for unauthorised absence.
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1. **Autumn Term 2016**
   - **Half Term**
     - Monday 24th October 2016
     - Friday 28th October 2016
   - Tuesday 1st November 2016 - Wednesday 21st December 2016
   - **INSET DAY**
     - Monday 31st October 2016

2. **Spring Term 2017**
   - Wednesday 4th January 2017 - Friday 10th February 2017
   - **Half Term**
     - Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2017
   - Monday 20th February 2017 - Friday 31st March 2017
   - **INSET DAY**
     - Tuesday 3rd January 2017

3. **Summer Term 2017**
   - Tuesday 18th April 2017 - Friday 26th May 2017
   - **May Day Bank Holiday**
     - 1st May 2017
   - **Half Term**
     - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2017
   - Tuesday 6th June 2017 - Tuesday 18th July 2017
   - **INSET DAY**
     - Monday 5th June 2017
# BEACONSFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
## STAFF LIST 2016/2017

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**Additional Support Staff**
- Mrs Surbjit Jaswal - Senior Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Suman Mohan - Senior Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Fouzia Butt - Play Worker (crèche) + Lunchtime Play Leader
- Mrs Zakira Haling - SEN Pupil Support
- Miss Keeley Ward - (EYFS Apprentice)
- Miss Zina Revesz - (EYFS Apprentice)

**Office Staff**
- Mrs B Gill - School Business Manager
- Mrs J Johal - School Administrator
- Mrs R Sandhu - Administrative Assistant

**Site Manager**
- Mr D Burman - Site & Activities Manager