



Just three days left until we break up for our summer holidays, and what a year it has been.

You have all been amazing in supporting our children's learning, whether in school or from home - thank you! It has been a challenging time, and we are proud of the achievements of all our children. The reports that have come home this week show the fabulous effort they have put into their learning, as well as having targets to work on when they return to school next year. We welcome feedback on reports, please email your child's class teacher if you would like to comment, or to arrange to discuss.

We do, of course, say a proud goodbye to our year 6 leavers next week, and know they are all ready for their next phase of education. They have enjoyed a programme of fun activities over the past few days, which will continue next week, and although we can't have a large gathering to say a formal 'goodbye', know you will join with us all in wishing each and every one the very best of luck. Good luck and we will miss you all!

Year 6 parents have received an email of events, for more information contact Mrs Scott.

We are forecast some very hot weather over the next few days, so please remember to support your child in applying sunscreen before coming to school - this is really important to give them appropriate protection in the outdoors (our SunSafe policy is available to view on the website). They also need to bring a hat/cap and a drinks bottle of water.

Although changes to the Covid guidance is expected on Monday, we do have increasing cases of infections locally, so until the end of term, please continue to maintain social distancing and wear a mask if close to others while on our school site.

**For our return to school in September, we will contact you by email nearer the time to let you know of the arrangements for drop-off and collection, and any Risk Assessment that is required.**

DATE	CALENDAR
Wed 21.07.21	Last day of term – finish at normal end of school time as we cannot have an end of term service.
Thur 02.09.21	Children return to school.
Meet the teacher sessions to be arranged in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> week back in September if Covid-restrictions allow. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to meet class teachers and learn more of expectations for the year. More information and dates to follow.	
Please note, term and holiday dates for 2021-22 and 2022-23 are now posted on the school website (on the School Life tab, under BHPS Calendar Term Dates).	

Our school office will be closed for the summer holidays, with emails picked up periodically. Please email [admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk).

Sports day winning team to be announced next week. Who will it be? **Dragonflies** **Frogs** **Squirrels** or **Falcons**. Great effort by everyone!

All children to bring a named bag to school please on Monday to bring books home. Some children's books will be staying in school until October half term (in case of Ofsted inspection) - if this is your child we will send an email to let you know. Thank you for your support.

### Congratulations to our star achievers



#### 30<sup>th</sup> June:

- Beech - Violet and Chelsea
- Elm - Kieran and Ben
- Maple - Evie and Lilly
- Larch - Charlie and Ava
- Chestnut - Dewi and Oliver
- Pine - Oliver, Freddie and Isabelle
- Oak - Sophie

#### 15<sup>th</sup> July:

- Beech - Ethan and Max C
- Elm - Elm Class award for enthusiastic learning
- Maple - Max E and Poppy Y
- Larch - Larch Class award for hard work and respect
- Chestnut - Chestnut Class for independent work & being respectful friends who are willing to take on challenges.
- Pine - Pine Class for a great year!
- Oak - Oak Class for a great year!

To attend **Buddies Before and After School Club in September** please book your place and pay in advance via ParentPay. Please ensure you book ahead - no later than 12 noon for attendance that day. If you have booked a place and no longer require it, please let us know asap as this place can be offered to another child. If not cancelled by 12 noon, you will be charged for the session. More information from the school office Tel: 832262 or email [admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk) Please note, there will be an increase of 50p per session from September, the first increase since Buddies Club opened.

#### **Support with mental health and wellbeing**

There is much reported currently about the pressure on families due to the continuing coronavirus situation. There are many sources of help available to families, and to children. For support and advice, you can contact Young Minds Matter - [youngmindsmatter.org](http://youngmindsmatter.org) (Provide a range of support and advice for mental health - adults and children, see their website for further information).

**A further source of family advice can be found on <https://www.familylives.org.uk/> and for any school related concerns Family Support advice, you can also contact Mrs Jacqui Reddan ([jreddan@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:jreddan@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk)).**

#### **OPENING IN SEPTEMBER our ACORNS PRESCHOOL**



Overseen by Mrs Williams, our Early Years Lead Teacher, and integrated with our Reception Class to provide an all-through high quality Early-Years experience for our youngest learners.

With places available for children from the term after they are three years old, and funding accepted, please email our school office for more information. Registration paperwork and a prospectus is now available. To book places for September, please email [admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@berryhill.gloucs.sch.uk) or telephone the school office 01594 832262.

**Unfortunately, due to lack of bookings BUDDIES holiday club will not run during the summer holidays.**

#### **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE...**

**A REMINDER PLEASE TO ALWAYS LET US KNOW WHO WILL BE COLLECTING YOUR CHILD FROM SCHOOL IF NOT YOU, INCLUDING IF THEY ARE WALKING TO THE RUGBY CLUB.**

**Also, now the evenings are lighter and children are back out playing again, please remind them of the need to ride scooters and bikes safely if using the pavement or roads.**

Is your child in receipt of Free School Meals? If so, you will once again receive a food voucher from Gloucestershire County Council as during the last holidays.

If you have received a voucher previously, you don't need to do anything, it will automatically be sent. If you think you may be eligible, please click the link and answer a few questions to check. The benefits are hot, nutritious health meals cooked fresh on site, as well as extra funding available for school to support teaching and learning.

Click the link now...!

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

#### **CAN YOU SUPPORT OUR FOODBANK?**

Our foodbank is gratefully receiving donations of t-bags, mashed and tinend potato, shampoo, shower gel, washing-up liquid, washing powder, deodorant. (No pasta needed, thanks).

Contact: [info@theforest.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@theforest.foodbank.org.uk)

**SCHOOL UNIFORM** A full range of our school uniform is available from Mapac Group Ltd [parentcustomerservices@mapac.net](mailto:parentcustomerservices@mapac.net) or telephone 01923 255525. Alternatively, there is ordering information available on our school website (see documents on the bottom of the Home Page, and also on the SCHOOL LIFE tab/UNIFORM). Orders can be paid by either credit or debit card. Delivery to school or home is offered. Our School Uniform Policy is available on the school website (see POLICIES tab).