



Dates to Remember

INSET Day: Monday 6th January 2020

INSET Day: Tuesday 7th January 2020

Children return to school: Wednesday 8th January 2020, 8:30

School Nurse Drop In: Thursday 16th January 2020, 9:00

Family Outreach Worker: Tuesday 21st January 2020, 13:30 – 15:50

20 December 2019

Hot Meals – With the Christmas break fast approaching, we would like to remind you that the cut-off point for ordering meals for w/c 6th January 2020 is **Sunday 29th December 2019**. Please be reminded to book your child in for a hot meal for the start of the January term. Chartwells' number is 01202 691038, or you can go online: <https://dorset.mealselector.co.uk/>

Family Outreach Worker – Support and advice will be available to Bayside Academy families from the Borough's Early Help Service.

Pam Ketteridge will be in school from **1.30pm to 3.30pm** on alternate Tuesdays. Please feel free to drop in for an informal chat and/or advice. Pam will next be in school on **21 January 2020**.

Reading Challenge – We will be sticking a reading challenge into the childrens' planners this week to complete during the holidays. The idea behind this is for children to engage in reading in a range of different contexts in order to continue to develop their skills. Please tick and initial any challenge achieved; any children who have managed to tick every challenge will receive a special certificate in assembly during the first week back.

PTA 2019 – We would like to say a huge thank you to the PTA for all of their help and support this year. They have worked tirelessly to put together a range of fantastic events for all of the children and we really appreciate it. Events have included:

Spring Disco
Easter Hamper raffle
2x cake sales
Summer Fayre
New parents evening Refreshments
Sports day refreshments
Macmillan coffee morning
Christmas photographer
Christmas Fayre
Christmas disco
Trolley raffle

Thank you also to the community for supporting these events this year. With the money raised from them and gained from Barclays match funding, we have been able to support the school by donating the following:

New Sound system for the hall - £1525.20
60 New graduation gowns - £1140.00
Breakfast, gardening and after school clubs - £50 each for supplies
Refreshments and gingerbread men to welcome new reception pupils & parents
Teddies for summer holiday diary & to keep for EYFS - £128.09
Year 6 Graduation afternoon tea for parents, staff & pupils - supplied & hosted by the PTA
EYFS total revamp of outside learning area - £2800 towards the total cost

The PTA would like to wish you all a wonderful Christmas! With a new year coming, we have already had requests from school for money towards other much needed equipment. We hope to continue to put on events that raise money and are enjoyable to everyone, however we can't do it without help. If you would like to get involved please contact us through the office, our Facebook page Bayside Academy PTA Events or via email pta@bayside-academy.co.uk

Stay healthy - The winter vomiting bug - or norovirus - is common in school children, and can spread very easily. If your child is suffering with vomiting and diarrhoea, they should not attend school. When recovering, your child can bring in some bland food and should ensure that they have a water bottle (this can be filled in school) in order to drink plenty of fluids throughout the day at school. The GP cannot prescribe anything for norovirus. Contact the school nursing team on 01202 691520 or NHS 111 if you are concerned about your child's condition or if symptoms persist for more than 3 days. Washing hands frequently will help to stop the bugs from spreading.

If your child has a minor cough or cold, they should be well enough to attend school. If your child has more severe symptoms, contact the school nursing team on 01202 691520 or NHS 111. By covering our mouths when sneezing or coughing, washing hands thoroughly and throwing away tissues, we can all help prevent the spread of coughs and colds.

Educational Trips 2019/2020 - Please remember to log in to your ParentPay account to view your outstanding balances for this year's educational visits. You can pay this amount in full or in instalments if you wish. If we do not receive sufficient funds for the trips, they may not be able to go ahead.

PE Kit – Your child's PE kit will be coming home with them for the Christmas holidays so they can be washed. Please remember to return the PE kit to school for the spring term when the children return on the 8th January. If your child does an after school club please provide them with separate sports clothes.

Applying for School September 2020 - On 1 September 2019, the application process opened for those parents wishing to apply for a School place in 2020. Below are the closing dates to get in school applications. If you need further assistance, or are in danger of making a late application, please go to the Welcome Area, above Poole Central Library, or call the Family Information Service Brokerage Service on 01202 261970.

Reception	Junior / Middle	Secondary / Upper
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The closing date for applications is 15 January 2020 If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 you need to apply for a school place for September 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The closing date for applications is 15 January 2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The closing date for applications is 31 October 2019 Entry to a Grammar School and Poole High School Expressly Academic require your child to sit an academic test. Contact the school direct for registration and testing dates

Attendance – During the week commencing the 9th December, the class with the best attendance was 6RM. This week, commencing the 16th December, the class with the best attendance was 1NT.

Weekly Class Attendance	9 th December	16 th December
RAD	88.13%	94.44%
RSW	98.11%	92.36%
1NT	98.67%	96.30%
1RL	92.63%	91.81%
2JB	94%	91.59%
2KH	95.93%	93%
3JW	87%	90.74%
4LV	92.80%	89.78%
4MD	91.92%	94.44%
5HC	94.07%	94.67%
5TE	92.31%	96.15%
6BC	91.67%	95.06%
6RM	98.42%	95.91%



Please remember that every day at school is important!

95- 100% attendance	Best chance of success	Your child is taking full advantage of every learning opportunity.
90- 95% attendance	At least 2 weeks of learning missed	Satisfactory. Your child may have to spend time catching up with work.
85- 90% attendance	At least 4 weeks of learning missed	Your child may be at risk of underachieving and may need extra support from you to catch up with work.
80- 85% attendance	At least 5 ½ weeks of learning missed	Your child's poor attendance has a significant impact on learning.
Below 80% attendance	At least 7½ weeks of learning missed	Your child is missing out on a broad and balanced education. You are at risk of prosecution.

All the staff at Bayside Academy would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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