BONNEVILLE

Friday 9th September 2016

Welcome back to a fantastic start of the school year!

It has been a delight to see our children return to school in full uniform and with such a positive attitude for school and learning. Our new school bags have been very popular and a useful addition to our school uniform. You can still purchase a school bag from the front office at £8 each.

Changes to our EYFS are beginning to take shape, by maximising our free flow approach to enhance the learning experience of our youngest children. This 40K investment has already significantly improved the facility. The school is currently working with a group of parents to begin improving the outdoor space. We have so far identified the equipment (which includes half the space being covered with synthetic grass and a clatter bridge) had plans drawn up and applied for a 10K grant from the National Lottery. Parents have also been very generous with voluntary donations which will enable us to work towards achieving Phase 1 of our plan during the October half term.

Last year our staff received training on Growth Mindset. Mindset is a simple idea discovered by Psychologist Carol Dweck in decades of research on achievement and success—a simple idea that makes all the difference. In a growth mindset, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. At Bonneville we want our children to develop these qualities and therefore will be adapting our approaches to teaching and praise in order to develop a growth mindset in our children. Stage one of this process began two years ago where we began providing feedback on the children's effort in pupil reports.

Analysis of the end of Reception pupil assessments over the past few years have clearly shown us that pupils starting our school with lower than average speech and language skills are held back from achieving all of the early learning goals, more so than any other barrier. As a school we have come far in developing our intervention approaches of speech and language therapy to support this development of speech within our children. This year we will be taking this further by using an approach to enhance pupils speech and language beyond the personalised intervention sessions. At the beginning of this term all of our Early Years, KS1, Year 3 and all Inclusion Teaching assistants received training in 'Makaton', a language programme using signs and symbols to help people to communicate.

Our vision is that by developing resilience, confidence and language our children will make the most of our broad curriculum and flourish in Reading, Writing and Maths.

Over the next term we will be hosting parent workshops to share how we will be developing these approaches further and how you can support a 'Growth Mindset' and use Makaton at home.

Thank you to a parent volunteers who kept our Edible Garden well watered over the holidays, our vegetables would not have survived without you.

Ms A. Parker Headteacher

Dates for the diary

Roald Dahl Workshops

Friday 9th September and Monday 12th September 3.15pm to 4pm

Roald Dahl Day

Tuesday 13th September

Jeans for Jeans

Friday 23rd September

Well-being Week

Monday, 17th Sept- Friday 21st Oct

End of Half Term

Friday 21st September, 3.15pm

INSET Day

Monday 31st October

Return

Tuesday 1st November,

For more information visit our website www.bonneville-primary.lambeth.sch.uk

National Roald Dahl Day we

are getting involved in the100 years of Roald Dahl celebrations by having a Roald Dahl Day on his actual birthday Tuesday 13th September. Next Tuesday all the children from years 1 to 6 will have the choice of coming into school dressed as a character from a Roald Dahl book. You should have already received letters detailing the event, if not please visit our website, you will find a copy of the letter under News. To support in preparation for this day we will be hosting two prop making workshops Friday 9th and Monday 12th from 3.15pm to 4.00pm in the KS1 hall.

We are very passionate that all of our children get involved in some way from a costume to a prop.

Sport We are offering 364 places variety of sports clubs this with 149 free spaces available.		to come	Reception places We are nearly full and have only 2 places left.
	nds school in the correct ol website for details) and is n PE kit, packed lunch (if ap- ding book. ool with hardwearing robust	Ext 3.15 to 4.15 pr Clubs: Clubs wil 19th September a you return your bo Reading Café so we have been a extra places. First	Il begin week commencing Monday nd run for 10 weeks. Please ensure ooking form by Tuesday 13th. (8am to 9am): Fully booked by day 1 able to extend the provision by 10
^{day.} This months value is Quality		available.	UKS2
Inits incontrist value is equality Parental Responsibility If you are a non-resident parent with parental responsibility please ensure you provide the administrative team with your contact details. For further information please read our Parental Responsibility policy, which can be found on the schools website. A variety of pupil leadership opportunities will be advertised soon from Well– being Mentors to Language and Digital Leaders, Student Councillors and Eco-Warriors.		Secondary Transfer workshop will be held on Wednesday 14th September. Both years 5 and 6 are welcome to attend. Secondary school open days are coming up. Please inform the school if your child is out of school on a visit. Diary Dates: Secondary Transfer Meeting Wednesday 14th September, 4pm Maths Coffee Morning 13th October 9.15am	

Local Trips Sometimes it is necessary for us to take the children on local trips, this can vary from visiting the post Office or going to the common for outdoor learning or sport activities. As these destinations are familiar to us the usual risk assessment are in place to make these visits safe therefore we do not seek permission for these local trips but you will be informed when they happen. Requests for local trips will always be made to The Leadership Team of the school.

