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Dear Families,

Welcome back to a new term at Bird's Bush. It is hard to believe that we are already into the Summer term, but with lighter nights and some improvement in the weather, albeit only for short periods of time, it is already starting to feel less like winter.

We hope you enjoyed reading the end of term newsletter, sent out at the end of last term, showing the many exciting events, learning opportunities and projects that the children across school were involved in across the Spring term. This term is set to be just as action packed with learning. We will be continuing to keep parents up to date with key dates and events weekly in our Bird's Bush Bulletin following the positive feedback on this last term and are looking at new ways to share all the children's super learning from school with you on a more regular basis.

Each class will be sharing their learning with you in an individual class assembly for parents after half term. Dates and times for this will be shared on Friday's bulletin.

Staffing

This term sees us welcome two new members of teaching staff. Mrs Burton, who joins us in Woodpeckers Year 1 as class teacher and Miss Finnegan, who joins us as class teacher of Eagles Year 5. We are sure you will join us in welcoming them to our Bird's Bush family here at school. We will be holding meet the teacher events for parents of children in these classes over the next couple of weeks. This is open to any parents who were not able to attend parents evening or who would like to come in and have an informal chat with their child's new class teacher. Further details of these events will be sent out to parents by letter this week.

Home Learning – Creative Projects

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in our new creative home learning projects so far. The projects created have really shown the children's super enthusiasm and interest as well as some amazing learning. Our Science fair was especially exciting, thank you to everyone who voted for the winners in each category, it was certainly a difficult choice as the close voting showed.

This term home learning will cover a wide array of subjects and we are encouraging children to be as creative as they can. Although we send the projects on an A3 sheet, we do let children know that this is not how they have to present their ideas. They can draw, write, create a poster, a model or even use photos or a video to show their learning. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any questions about home learning and we look forward to seeing more brilliant learning this term. Remember that all home learning brought into school is celebrated within class and rewarded with Dojo's!

Reading at home

You will have noticed that children have brought home a reading for pleasure book from our school library. This book is simply reading for enjoyment – something we celebrate at Bird's Bush. (You may have noticed the 'Your teacher is reading...' signs on classroom doors when you came into school for Parent's evening.) Each class has a library time each

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week where they can change this book, choosing from our wide range of brand new books both fiction and non fiction. Please don't forget that this reading as well as their school reading book can be entered in the new reading diaries (which your child has been issued with) and all counts towards 'read it's' for the week. We reward reading at home with dojo's as well so it is definitely worth making sure you read 4 times a week. If your child has a book recommendation for the library please ask them to let Mr Wheatley or their class teacher know. We are always on the look out for good recommended reads to add to our library.

As a result of our new library, we have lots of older but brilliant books which are now surplus stock. We will be holding a 'Break time Book Café' where children can come and choose a book (or even two) to take home and keep next week. Full details will be on the bulletin on Friday.

Uniform

Just a reminder that children do need to be in their Bird's Bush school uniform each day for school. This term, summer dresses may be worn (however this is personal choice and not compulsory), please note these are to be either red and white or blue and white checked only. For health and safety reasons we ask that children do not wear open toed sandals to school at any time.

On PE Days we ask that children come into school wearing their PE kit. A reminder that our PE uniform is as follows:

- Black shorts
- Plain light blue T-shirt, with or without the school logo, or a plain white T-shirt
- A plain black / grey tracksuit
- Trainers for outdoor P.E.
- Black pumps for indoor P.E.

PE days for this term are as follows:

Reception: Wednesday

Year 1: Monday and Wednesday

Year 2: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 3: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 4: Tuesday and Swimming on a Friday.

Year 5: Monday and Wednesday

Year 6: Tuesday and Wednesday

We continue to have a substantial stock of high quality uniform in school so please speak to or email Mrs Hall via bbparents@bbps.perryhallmat.co.uk if you require any further information.

Weekly updates

Each week we will be sharing diary dates for the week ahead, term dates (with any changes and updates highlighted in bold) and upcoming events on our Bird's Bush Bulletin. This also contains reminders of key information such as PE days, and celebrates our Attendance Champion class for the week and our Champion Learners. This link is sent as a text out to parents on a Friday, please make sure we have your up to date contact information so that you can receive all

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communications each week. We also send out information by email, please ensure we have an up to date email address for you and your family to ensure that all communication reaches you. Our bulletins, letters home and newsletters will also be published on the school website which is accessible at <https://www.birdsbush.staffs.sch.uk/>, please click on the Parents tab and look under Class Information for the all latest updates.

I look forward to seeing you all over the coming weeks at our school events.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Day', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Day

Headteacher