



OO Birkdale Primary

Children's Mental Health Week

This year's theme has been centred around 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself' and as a small part of this work, the children have all taken home a seed this week, please help them to plant it! Lots of activities have brought a smile to the children faces this week which is something that all the staff aim to do every day of year here at BPS.

Deputy Headteacher—Congratulations!

As you may be aware, Mrs Ramsden has been an Assistant Headteacher at the school for a number of years. Recently, through a rigorous recruitment process, she is now a Deputy Headteacher working alongside myself and Mr Jessop and all the staff to ensure that all matters are dealt with as soon as they come to our attention. I'm sure you'll agree that congratulations are in order!



INSIDE OUT MUFTI THIS FRIDAY! £1



This Friday, it is Mufti (wear whatever you want day) but with a special request from the School Council—something, anything, must be inside out!

Why Mufti? well, it is the Southport Learning Partnership's annual fundraiser; 'Love My Community' event. This year, the money raised will go to the **North West Air Ambulance Charity** as voted for by all the schools in Southport. Thank you in advance for the £1 fine per family for this event.

Birkdale's Got Talent

On Mondays over the next few weeks in the Junior classes we are running a talent show which is for any children who wish to perform in assembly. The children are all aware that it's not all about the one eventual winner, it's a celebration of what our very talented and brave children can do. We are hoping to roll this out to the Infant classes later in the year so I'd recommend rehearsing at playtimes for any individual or group songs, dances or any other entertaining act!

BPSIS

The **Birkdale Primary School Intelligence Service** are children randomly chosen each week in the Juniors to be the secret eyes and ears of Mr Sheeran. Their job is to seek out someone who performs an act of kindness during the week. A rare **BPSIS** badge will be awarded to those who work for the **BPSIS** and a Headteacher's Award badge is given to those chosen.

Staff Absence

Most of you will know that just like the children, we are prone to illness but at the moment we have a small number of staff recovering from serious short term illness. Thank you for your patience during this time.

Safer Internet Day

This has taken place today and has given us an opportunity to focus again on the online safety and wellbeing of our children. As always, the best advice at home would be to have an agreement in place with your child to check and monitor their activity online—**for their safety**. Also, if you are unsure as to how to add safety settings to your child's phone then please do let us know as we have an expert in this who would be able to help every Friday in school.

Attendance

Winners of the Autumn Attendance Award goes to 4M—they will be have a non-electrical toy afternoon this Friday! Well done to you! Well done too to our first 4 winners of the Attendance Wheel which has gone down really well with all the children!

Police Presence—Anti-Social behaviour will not be tolerated outside any school in Southport
Parking—with an increased presence of traffic enforcement officers around the school, please note that parking across 'H' bar markings placed across driveways may result in a fine.

Thank you all for your continued support!
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NO DOGS ON THE YARD PLEASE