



'CURIOSITY, KINDNESS, COURAGE'

NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2026

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Upcoming Dates:

w/c 7th September

- **Monday 7th - Meet the Staff (15:15)**
- **Wednesday 9th - Y3 visit Cresswell Craggs**

This half-term:

- **Wednesday 30th September - Charity Fun Run (whole school)**

Welcome

A welcome back to all families, staff and everyone else connected to our school community. The children have come to school very smart and settled in very calmly. A special welcome to our new starters and we hope that they will thrive at Beardall Fields.

We welcome Miss Bettinson to our teaching staff who will be teaching in Year 5.

Inevitably at the start of the year there is lots of information, some new, some reminders, so please do take time to read through the below over the coming week. Thank you.

Meet your new staff and see your new classrooms

Please note that on Monday 7th September there will be an opportunity to meet the members of staff for your child[ren] upon collection at 3:15pm. This will be in your child's classroom where the staff members will have opportunity to introduce themselves to you and share any necessary information. We understand that not all families will be able to attend so any information given will be shared on ClassDojo and you can always introduce yourself and see inside the classroom another time.

Hub Changes

You will notice next time you enter school that our central area (affectionately called 'The Hub') has undergone a transformation into a shared library space. It is still a work in progress but is going to be a wonderful place for the children to immerse themselves in a book, magazine or anything else that they may find. We will attach some photos next week as some more furniture is due to arrive.

Thank you to Mrs Smith who has spent many hours of her own time over summer to get this started.

Please note lost property remains in the hub but is now directly in front of the hall doors.

Commando Joe

We are delighted that Commando Joe will return to us this year. Commando Joe has been a key part of our school Character Education Programme over the past few years and contributed heavily to us receiving a 'Strong' standard in our Ofsted inspection in January of this year.



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Commando Joe will work with Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y4 this half-term. He will also have a one-off session for other classes on the following dates:

Commando Joe Tuesday AM 8:50-09:50 (Parents invited to attend)	
	Class
Tuesday 8 th September	6S
Tuesday 15 th September	6D
Tuesday 22 nd September	10
Tuesday 29 th September	1I
Tuesday 6 th October	3S
Tuesday 13 th October	3GB

Please do not worry that the session will be physically demanding. We have planned so that the session is accessible for all so come along and see what all the Commando Joe fuss is about!

Assemblies

Our assemblies this week focused on the following:

Wednesday: Our school values, particularly kindness when others around us may have different feelings about the start of the new academic year ('We remember to say please, we always say thank you.')

Thursday: How are new shoes like the start of a new school year? Mr. Drayton told us that they may be a little uncomfortable and feel strange at first...but eventually they become the opposite and part of your everyday life – just like school.

Friday: Celebration Assembly where we gave a special hello song to our Y1s who have joined us for daily assemblies for the first time.

Walking Home

Children in Year 5 or 6 wishing to walk home on their own must complete the necessary form for permission to be granted.

Mobile-Free Zone

Please note that we are by default a mobile-free site. Children may only bring phones to school if they have been given permission by Miss Collins. This is only given in exceptional circumstances for the safety of all.



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School Property

We kindly ask that you do not use the school equipment at the end of the day and supervise your child closely. This is for health and safety purposes not, as I told the children this morning, because we like stopping fun.

This includes the main playground and the area outside the 3S, 4M and Y6 classrooms.

Reporting a Child's Absence

Please contact the school office to report a child's absence rather than through ClassDojo.

Charity Run - save the date - Wednesday 30th September

We are in the final stages of organising a charity fun run on Wednesday September 30th. Parents will be invited to spectate and participate in this so please save the date if possible. Mr. Drayton is in need of some volunteers for the day to support logistical organising so please get in touch with him directly if interested and would like some more information.

INSET DAYS 2026 – 2027

These have been set for the remainder of the academic year:

- **Monday 4th January 2027**
- **Monday 26th – Wednesday 28th July 2027**

Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations if you completed the Summer Reading Challenge. We will ask children to bring in their medals at a later date and see how many of us were successful.

Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility. At Beardall Fields we are committed to keeping our children safe from harm. Mr Drayton, Miss Collins, Ms Ottley, Mrs Simpson and Mr Sellers are our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) and have responsibility for safeguarding and child protection. If we have any concerns reported to us, we will always take action to protect a child and inform the relevant agencies where necessary.

We have a shared email for safeguarding queries which can be used either during the school term or the school holidays. This email is DSL@beardallfields.org.uk



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Supporting Learning At Home

There are several ways you can help your child with learning at home. Log onto any of the following sites we have subscribed to or pick up a book from The Reading Olympiad. If you have any questions about log in details or wish for work to be set for your child, please contact their class teacher.

Your child's reading diaries should include:

- Mathematics (Reception-6)
- Times Table Rock Stars (Y2-Y6)
- Reading Eggs (Reception-Y2)
- Purple Mash (Nursery-Y6)

Outside of School

We will post flyers about any community events that are sent to us and the end of every newsletter.