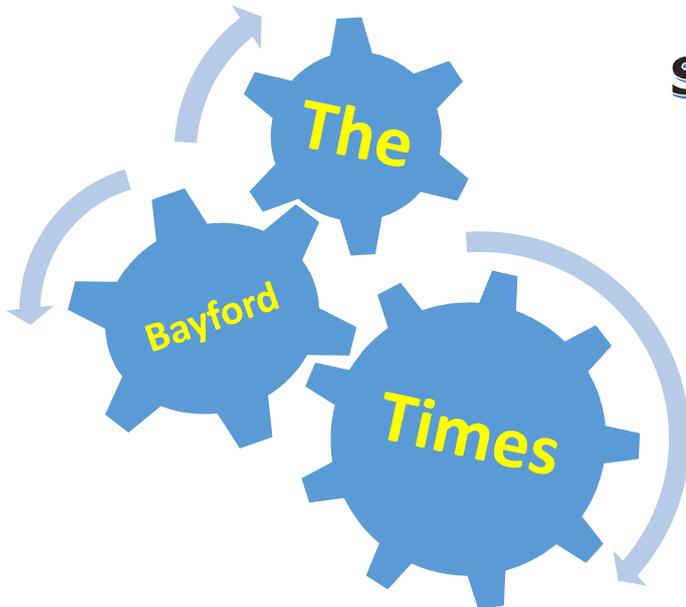
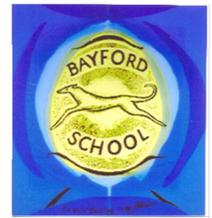


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## Welcome Back

It was lovely to see the children back at school this past week or so. A warm welcome to all children who have joined the school. The children appear keen, enthusiastic and ready to learn. Keep it up!



### New members of staff

We welcome to the school Mrs Abrey-Sims who is supporting Miss Lewis and Class 2, and also Mrs Hinton who will be supporting Miss Young and EYFS. We hope you enjoy your first term at Bayford!

### Parent Consultations

These will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

More details to follow.

### Attendance and Lateness

The overall figure for last year's attendance was 96.2%. This figure was above our target of 95% but has slightly dipped.

We also noticed an increase in the number of children late to school.

With the new school year, please can you aim to ensure that your child(ren) are at school regularly and promptly for the 8:55am bell.

## Pupils' Survey

Last year we had a focus on developing children's 'attitudes to learning'. We surveyed the children at the beginning and then at the end of the year with some very encouraging results:

- There was an increase from 56% to 81% of children 'enjoying improving work'
- There was an increase from 37% to 84% of children 'not allowing themselves to get distracted'
- There was an increase from 63% to 89% of children 'enjoying challenging themselves'
- There was an increase from 54% to 64% of children 'discussing learning at home'.

### Class Sharing Assemblies

We will be holding our Class Sharing Assemblies starting this half-term with Class 1 and Class 2 as follows:

Class 1 Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm  
Class 2 Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm

Parents and families of these classes are warmly welcome on these days. Reception and Class 3 will hold their Sharing Assemblies after half-term.

### Value

This half term our value is 'Peace'.



We will be focussing on this during assembly times and also in our daily school life.

*'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.'*

*Matthew 5 v 9*

## Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm at St Mary's Church, Bayford. The children should bring any Harvest gifts to school on the morning of the Friday so that they can be part of the festival on the Sunday. They will then be distributed to people in the village and the Leonard Cheshire Home.

**If anyone is able to help walk the children down to the church please contact the school office.**

Harvest church services are:

11am Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Holy Cross & St Alban, Brickendon

11am Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – St Mary's Church, Bayford



### FOBS



Please remember FOBS are looking for new members this year.

If you are interested please let the office know. All support will be gratefully received.

### Zig Zag Parking

Please do not park on the yellow zig zag lines in the morning or at the end of the day. There have been a number of near accidents with people trying to exit the school and not being able to see traffic clearly coming along Ashdene Road.

### Class 3 School Journey Meeting

There will be a meeting in the Hall with Dr Foster at 3:20pm on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September, who will be showing some slides and talking through some of the activities Class 3 will undertake on School Journey to Overstrand Hall, Norfolk  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019

### Parentmail

We want to ensure that all parents are fully informed about the school.  
Please check that we have your most up-to-date contact numbers.  
If you are not receiving texts please inform the school office.

### Jeans for Genes

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September we will be holding a non-uniform day.

The children should bring in a £2 donation and wear jeans and something pink!

The money raised will be split between helping children with genetic problems and breast cancer care.



### Bayford Walk

Katie Nielson is organising a sponsored 'Bike & Hike' on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. Walkers to meet at 9:45/10am at Bayford church and walk to Little Berkhamsted Church and then back to Bayford.

Please see letter sent out.

### Curriculum Newsletters

These will be uploaded onto our website.

Please read and discuss these with your child to find out what they are learning at school.

### Dinner Money

Please ensure that dinner money is paid for a.s.a.p. for this half-term, paid either to the school office or via the Schoolcomms app.

### Playground Equipment

Due to Health and Safety, please ensure children do not play on the outside equipment before or after school, or use playtime equipment.  
Thank you.