



# BERRYMEDE



Newsletter ~ Issue 1 ~ September 2017

## Term Dates 2017-2018

### Autumn Term 2017

#### Teacher Training Days

Mon 4th & Tues 5th Sept 2017

#### Term starts for Pupils

Wed 6th Sept 2017

#### Half Term Holiday

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017

#### Back to School for pupils

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016

#### Term Ends

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017

#### Christmas Holiday

Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 2016 – Mon 1<sup>st</sup> an 2018

### Spring Term 2018

#### Teacher Training Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2018

#### Term starts for Pupils

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2018

#### Half Term Holiday

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Feb – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

#### Back to School for pupils

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

#### Term Ends

Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

#### Easter Holiday

Fri 30<sup>th</sup> March – Mon 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018

### Summer Term 2018

#### Term starts for Pupils

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018

#### May Day (Bank Holiday)

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018

#### Half Term Holiday

Mon 28<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018

#### Teachers Training Day

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018

#### Back to School for pupils

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018

#### Term Ends for Pupils

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018

#### Teacher Training Day

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018



## Welcome Back!

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a restful break over the summer.

We have a busy, exciting year ahead. Already we have been notified of 3 accreditations at Berrymede for good practice!

Reading continues to be a key focus for our children and you will be hearing about many events and projects over the course of the year – please do support our children and encourage them to read at every opportunity – we want to be the best!

[www.berrymede.com](http://www.berrymede.com)

*Mrs L. Khan*, Head Teacher

## Current News.....

September has been an incredibly busy month at Berrymede, not only have the children been settling back into the routine of school life but there has also been lots of exciting things going on! Our newly elected school representatives:

**Head Boy & Head Girl:** Chiagoziem Osuji  
Patience Kimani

**Sports Ambassadors:** Ryan Benamar and Bavaih Walli

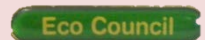
### School Council:

Kinga Makowska  
Julia Kanaan  
Ebe Romim  
Khalid Liban  
Shama Mohammad  
Naima Roble  
Mason Babet  
Sharmake Bashir  
Muhammad-Jawad Hussein  
Haya Abdulrahman  
Yahye Said  
Jayden Vidal  
Prince Nwosisi  
Dejarn Young  
Abdullahi Addule  
Rehan Kohestani



### Eco Council:

Kirubel Zekarias  
Yakub Abdullahi  
MichelleTrojanek  
Rio Yusuf  
Bahram Qoreishi  
Caliph Mohammeds  
Jenna Ahmed Mohamed  
Marrisa Balcer  
Maraki Zekarias  
Abdullah Said  
Omar Siraj  
Ommama Hussein  
Gellila Soloman  
Mariam Azizi  
Nadia Sher Khan  
Nermeen Alkalali



## Family Learning & Homework Support Group

If any parents/carers are interested in attending the Family Learning and Homework Support Group please enquire at the school office. The session takes place on Monday afternoons from 2:15pm at the school. All parents/carers are welcome.

Stay up to date by regularly visiting the school website and if you haven't already, make sure you sign up to class dojo!! <https://www.classdojo.com/en-gb/>



Article 3: The best interest of the child must be a top priority in all things that affect children.

## School Dinners

Please remember school dinners must be paid for in advance, directly to Harrisons. Call 02082800319 to make payments, daily cost is £2.30 - for a copy of the menu, please visit the office. If your Harrisons account is not in credit, this will result in your child being unable to have a school dinner. In these circumstances, you will be required to bring lunch in for your child.

## Medical Information

Please can we remind you that if your child uses an inhaler or requires any medication, it is vital that we also have this in school. All medication should be handed into the school office as soon as possible. Similarly if your child no longer requires any medication, please let us know.

## Uniform/PE Kits

All pupils are expected to wear correct school uniform and PE kit. All items can be purchased in the school office. Uniform checks are regularly carried out to ensure compliance in line with the school policy.

## Classes 2017/18

### Year 3

**3L** Ms Lamb  
**3C** Miss Cory  
**3H** Mrs Holder  
**3V** Miss Valiyyff

### Year 4

**4P** Ms Palmer  
**4D** Miss Deely  
**4O** Mr Phillips  
**4C** Mr Craze

### Year 5

**5M** Mrs McNeill  
**5C** Mrs Cotton  
**5H** Miss Henry  
**5S** Miss Conroy

### Year 6

**6A** Miss Anderson  
**6J** Mr Jeffs  
**6Y** Miss Young  
**6C** Miss Carroll

Berrymede Junior School places a high value on building the communication and language skills of the children at their school and they are pleased to remind you of the Speech and Language Therapy (SLT) service that is available at your child's school.

We are delighted to invite parents to come to a coffee morning on **9<sup>th</sup> October** at **9:00am** in the **Year 4 Intervention Room**, where they can meet Speech and Language Therapists working at Berrymede this term.

We will be giving a short presentation on how to build your child's communication and language skills at home. Parents then have the opportunity to talk to the therapists for further support on promoting communication at home.

**\*\*We ask that only adults attend the workshop as there are no child-minding facilities.\*\***

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Venetia Foxall & Roberta Mendes**  
(Speech and Language Therapist)

**Helpful** Positive Flexible Decongesting Important Thorough Specialist **Funny** Creative Fantastic **Supportive** Improves understanding Explains things Versatile **Informative** Calming Listens **Applicable** **Useful** more time with SLT

## Dates for the Diary

### Open Evening:

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

**3:30 – 7:30pm**

School will finish for Half Term on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at the normal time of 3:15pm.

## Safety

Children and mobile phones; Children in year 5/6 who go home on their own may bring a phone to school. The phone must be handed in to their teacher as soon as they arrive in school. The class teacher will then return the phone at the end of the day. Otherwise children are not permitted to bring mobile phones into school.



If you ride a bike or scooter to school, please can we remind you to dismount before entering the school grounds. Thank you.

**Dream  
Big  
READ!**

Please encourage your child to read everyday!  
At Berrymede we are extremely passionate about reading and we want to get all parents involved in their child's reading.

## Extra Curricular Clubs

### Autumn Term –

**Mondays** Tai Chi and gymnastics  
**Tuesdays** Yr 5 /6 Netball, Tennis, Tag Rugby and Year 5/6 Boys Football  
**Wednesday** Dance, Year 3/4 Multi Skills, Contemporary Dance and Taekwondo  
**Thursday** Rock Climbing, Cross Country, and Year 3/4 Football  
**Friday** Tennis, Play Leaders and Athletics



There are also a number of academic clubs that take place during the school day – Latin, Reading, Homework and Geometry (Days and times of these vary according to year groups/classes)



**Article 28: Every child has the right to an education.**

