

26 September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Responsibilities

At BFS, we believe our role is to 'prepare children for a life well lived'. To this end, we are looking for opportunities that will support their development. We are passionate about ensuring we provide opportunities that enables children to grow into well rounded individuals. We believe it is vital that children play a genuine and active role in shaping and supporting our school community. One of the ways we would like to do this is by offering all children the opportunity to put themselves forward for positions of responsibility. By taking on a role of responsibility children learn the knowledge and skills that comes with this such as independence, time management, resilience and effective teamwork just to name a few.

The reception teachers, for Opals and Pearls classes, will be gradually introducing classroom responsibilities for each of their pupils to increase the independence of pupils and to encourage them to work as a team within their class. We hope to develop their responsibilities in class in order to prepare them for a whole school responsibility when they move to year 1.

In year 1 through to year 4, each year group will have 4 whole school responsibilities and pupils will get to do three out of the four these, over the academic year. On transition day, we asked pupils which of these they would be interested in doing and we have ensured that they get to do their favourite at some point over the academic year.

Each of adults in the year group will lead a responsibility and the pupils will get to experience a new one each term. There will be training at the beginning of the Autumn, Spring and Summer term so they know exactly what the role entails and when they will be doing it.

We will be launching whole school responsibilities on **Monday 26 September**; the children will be told their Autumn 1 responsibility in class this morning. We have outlined below the four roles within each year group below. We are very excited and although your child may not get their favourite one this term, they will get to do it during one term over the year.

Here are the responsibilities for each year group:

Year 1 Photographer Book band Monitors Junior Site Assistants Gardener Year 2 Chicken Handlers Eco Warriors Office Assistants Tour Guides Year 3 Digital Technicians Playground Pals Assembly Monitors Librarians Year 4 Lunch Manager Playground Assistant Assembly Monitor Young Journalists

Some of the year 3 pupils have also been selected to be Sports Ambassadors working with Ms Burke. Last years previous Year 3's our current Year 4's will continue this responsibility as well. This will be their only responsibility over the year.

Best wishes

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