Baldwins Gate CE Primary School

Everyone learning together in faith, truth and love

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Our Worship Focus

This half term our worship focus is 'Justice'. We will be exploring justice through the following themes: Treating people fairly Making wise decisions Seeing God's love in action Seeing the whole picture Keeping God's rules

"Learn to do right. Seek justice"

Isaiah 1.17

Our Prayer this week -



Dear God,

May the love of Jesus Christ bring us wholeness, The grace of God the Father grant us peace, The breath of the Holy Spirit instil passion, And the unity between them give us strength, For this day and every day.

Amen

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you have all had a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your support with the snowy end to the week and the slight changes to routines that we had to put into place.

We only have three weeks left of this half term and they promise to be very busy, please do read the newsletter carefully to ensure that you don't miss any information.

If you have any questions or queries regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or myself – we are always happy to help and work with you.

Mrs L Lowndes Headteacher

Diary Dates – SATs Information Meetings for Year 2



The Year 2 meeting that was cancelled due to the snow will now take place this **Thursday, 16th March at 6pm.**

<u>ZOG</u>

Nursery and Reception had a fantastic time at the Lyceum Theatre in Crewe on Wednesday morning. They went to see ZOG and the performance was enjoyed by both adults and children! The children behaved beautifully throughout the trip. Well done Nursery and Reception.

Comic Relief – Friday 17th March



Friday 17th March is Comic Relief. To support this event we are asking the children to come into school on Friday wearing sports clothing/kits/strips and bring a donation. During the afternoon the children will take part in fun sports activities led by their house captains.

Start of the School Day

Please can I remind you that the school gates are opened at 8:45am. Any children arriving before 8:45am should be booked into Buzz club and not left unsupervised by the school gate, this is for the safety of the children. Thank you for your understanding.

PE Kit Reminder

The school PE kit consists of:

- Plain navy/black/grey tracksuit bottoms
- Navy/black shorts or skort
- White PE top (does not need the school badge)
- School jumper or cardigan (do not need the school badge)

Children should not be wearing jumpers or hoodies on PE days that are not part of school uniform. Thank you for your support with this.

School Meals

Could we please remind parents/carers that <u>school meals must be paid for in</u> <u>advance</u>. We are having to chase a number of families regarding outstanding payments. Payment for lunches should be made over the weekend or a Monday morning. **Please ensure that your ParentPay account is in credit.**



SCHOOL LUNCHES



A copy of the menu is available on the school website.

https://www.baldwinsgate.staffs.sch. uk/school-lunches.html

Educational Visits Information in brief

Year 4 – River Study 16th March 2023 £19.00 Deadline dates: Consent forms – 11th November Payment – 11th November **RIVER STUDY CONSENT FORM**

Year 6 – Recorder Festival 21st March 2023 Deadline dates: Consent forms – 31st Jan 23 Payments – 31st Jan 23 **RECORDER CONSENT FORM**

Year 5 – PGL Residential 3rd - 5th May 23 £210.00 Deadline dates: Consent forms – 31st October Deposit – 31st October Full/final payment – 31st March 23 PGL CONSENT FORM Information meeting for parents: Thursday 23rd March at 2.45 pm

Year 4 – York Residential 7th – 9th June 2023 £150.00 Deadline dates: Consent forms – 10th October Deposit – 20th October Full/final payment – 31st March 23 YORK CONSENT FORM Information meeting for parents: Tuesday 2nd May at 2.45 pm

Year 6 – Llandudno Residential

12th – 14th June 2023 £140.00 **Deadline dates:** Consent and deposit: 1st Feb 2023 Full/final payment – 1st May 2023 Information meeting for parents: Tuesday 16th May at 2.45 pm

Year 3 – Stanley Head Residential 17th - 19th July 2023 £169.00 **Deadline dates: Consent forms – 1st November** Deposit – 1st November Full/final payment – 1st April 23 **Consent forms to class teacher** Information meeting for parents: Wednesday 24th May at 2.45 pm

LINK TO PARENTPAY

PARKING ON THE ROADS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

As you drop off and pick up your children from school, please be mindful of residents, other road users and the safety of the children.

- Please don't park on the pavements •
- Please don't block driveways, even for just a couple of minutes •
- Please don't double-park •
- Please do park a little further away from school •
- Please do drive slowly in the streets around school children can be unpredictable •
- Please abide by the local speed limits

Thank you for your support.

Safeguarding

At Baldwins CE Gate Primary School we have a moral and legal duty to keep all our children safe from harm. Harm which can hinder the development of a child can be:

- Physical abuse
- Social and emotional
- Nealect
- Sexual abuse

Where we have concerns in any area we will question and investigate. If we have cause to be concerned, we will make our concerns known to the First Response team at Staffordshire County Council.

Our school safeguarding lead is Mrs Maude. If you have any concerns about a child, or feel that you as a family may need some help, please don't hesitate to get in touch with school.

DIARY DATE – EASTER CHURCH SERVICES

I am pleased to advise that we will be holding our Easter Services at Whitmore Church on Thursday 30th March. The format will be similar to that adopted for the Christmas Church Services. The services will be held as follows:

9.30 am Whitmore and Butterton houses Maer and Chapel Chorlton houses 11.15 am

You are welcome to join us.

<u>Diary Dates - Residential Visits – Information Meetings for Parents</u>

The following meetings have been arranged for parents whose children are going on a residential visit this year:

Year 5 PGL

- Thursday 23rd March at 2.45 pm Tuesday 2nd May at 2.45 pm Year 4 York
- Tuesday 16th May at 2.45 pm Year 6 Llandudno
- Year 3 Stanley Head Wednesday 24th May at 2.45 pm

Admission to Reception – September 2023

A reminder for our Nursery parents that the deadline for applications closed on 15th January 2023. You will be notified of the outcome on National Offer Day, 17th April 2023.

PARENTPAY – OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS

Please ensure that your ParentPay account is in credit for school lunches, BUZZ and Nursery Wraparound. ParentPay accounts must be kept in credit and payments made in advance for lunches, BUZZ and Nursery Wraparound.

BUZZ Breakfast and After School Club

A reminder that parents must book places at Breakfast and After School Club in advance. You are able to pre-book sessions for the academic year or on a weekly basis if your childcare needs are different each week. If you are booking on a weekly basis, you must email the school office with your booking information for the following week by 3.30 pm on a Friday afternoon (office@baldwinsgate.staffs.sch.uk).

Superstar Awards

Nursery	Ivy S, Leo
Reception	Arthur, Indie
Year 1	Finley, Leo
Year 2	Edie, Nyla
Year 3	Lucy, Georgia, Ida, George W, Lottie
Year 4	George G, Edie
Year 5	Chase, Cereece, Annie, George, Arthur, Zoey
Year 6	Peta, Isaac, Emily, Lily W, Harley

Headteacher Award

Children can be nominated to receive a Headteacher's Award from Mrs Lowndes which recognises something special that has been achieved. This could be related to their work, behaviour or attitude to the school community.



This week Mrs Lowndes presented the Headteacher Award to:

Nursery and Reception - for their amazing behaviour at the theatre.

Ruby G – for an amazing book review that was published in

What's on this week?

Week commencing 13 th March 2023	
Monday	
Tuesday	Netball Tournament
Wednesday	
Thursday	Year 4 River Study Trip Mrs Lowndes at Stafford training
Friday	Comic Relief – children can wear sporty clothes for a donation to Comic Relief



School Facebook Page



Did you know that we have a school Facebook page. We're trying to post regularly to give our families an insight into what the children are up to at school. Do please like our posts!

https://www.facebook.com/BaldwinsGatePrimarySchool/

Woore Cricket Club

Woore Cricket Club have asked us to share with you information regarding the cricket sessions they are running this summer (starting after Easter).



