

NEWSLETTER

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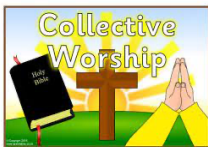
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Our Worship Focus

This half term our worship focus is Friendship

“Encourage one another and build each other up.”

1 Thessalonians 5:11-18

Our Prayer this week

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.

Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For the Kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.

Now and forever.

Amen



Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope you had an enjoyable and restful Easter.

I am delighted to report that as a result of your generosity last term we raised £108.00 for Friends of Rosie, £136.05 for Comic Relief and £243.10 from the Easter Raffles (to be split between School Fund and Greenpeace). Thank you.

It was a very busy first week back after the Easter break. Year 3 enjoyed their two night residential visit to York and a huge thank you to Mr Bowen, Mrs Maude and Mrs Stonier for accompanying the children. The children behaved beautifully; so much so that they received several compliments during their time in York. Well done Year 4.

It's Year 2's turn to leave the building today! They are off to Trentham Gardens for the day. They will undertake a number of activities led by a Wildlife Ranger to support their science work on lifestyles and habitats.

Academy Photography will be in school on Friday morning to take class photos and Year 6 leavers.

Mrs Lowndes, Headteacher



Superstar Awards

Awards have been presented to:

Nursery	Flo, Noah
Reception	Ivy, Thorley
Year 1	Indie
Year 2	Grace, Ria
Year 3	Louisa, Nyla
Year 4	
Year 5	Miya, Rosie
Year 6	Cerece, Lottie, Phoebe

What's on?

Week commencing Monday 15th April

Monday	Boys' football after school activity (KS2)
Tuesday	Girls' football after school activity (KS2) Year 2 to Trentham Gardens
Wednesday	Stoke City Football Club City 7's visiting Years 2 & 3 BeeActive After School Activity (EYFS)
Thursday	Creation Club after school
Friday	Academy Photography in school for classes and Year 6 leavers

Important Note - Academy Photography on Friday

Nursery and Reception children should come to school in their school uniform and school shoes but bring their PE trainers with them.

Children in **Year 3 and Year 6** should wear school uniform and school shoes and bring their PE kit to school.



SCHOOL LUNCHES w/c 15th April (week 3)

A copy of the menu is available on the school website, please see link below.

[School Lunch Menu](#)

The school meal price from 1st April increased to £2.95 per meal.

Special Diets

If your child requires a special diet due to a diagnosed allergy, intolerance or medical condition you will need to register with Edwards and Ward at the following link: edwardsandward.co.uk/special-diets/

MORNING BREAK AND PACKED LUNCHES FROM HOME

May we please remind you that we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL and any snack or packed lunches must not contain items containing nuts. We have several children in school who are anaphylactic and carry epipens.



MOBILE PHONES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Please can I remind you that the use of mobile phones on school grounds is not permitted. Please refrain from using your mobile phone at drop off and pick up times. Do not be offended if a member of staff asks you to put your mobile phone away.



PARKING

Parking continues to be an issue outside school. Yellow **zig-zag lines** outside schools indicate the length of road where stopping or waiting **is strictly prohibited**. You must NOT park on the zig-zag lines or leave cards unattended on the roundabout to drop off or pick up children from BUZZ club. Could I also stress the importance of not parking in the GP surgery car-park. Staff need to gain access to the surgery throughout the day. Please park safely and with consideration for our neighbours.



School Car Park

May I please remind parents that you must not park on the school car park.

My Nametags – School Fundraising

The lost property box is bursting with uniform and other items, all unnamed. We have signed up with My Nametags to promote labelling uniform and support school funds. Each time a parent orders online using the link below or inputting our School ID on the website, the school receives commission.

The link is: [MY NAMETAGS LINK](#)

You can order online at www.mynametags.com but please insert the school's ID at the checkout page.

School ID: 32061

Payments for school lunches, BUZZ and nursery wraparound

The total outstanding balance today stands at £1037.18

Breakdown:

Dinner money	£635.10
BUZZ	£261.70
Nursery Wraparound	£140.38

Please check your ParentPay balance today and clear any outstanding balance.

Payment for school lunches, BUZZ and nursery wraparound must be paid for in advance on a Monday morning.

Services provided by Baldwins Gate Primary School are no different to those provided by any other business in that meals and other services must be paid for in advance and on demand. Most parents and carers understand that they cannot take their child to McDonald's and expect the provision of food or services without paying. Please check your ParentPay account regularly and ensure your balance is not outstanding. Chasing outstanding money owed to the school causes considerable extra work for office staff and embarrassment for all concerned.

If you require any assistance with ParentPay, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Riley in the office. She will be only too happy to help.

MY NAMETAGS

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SAFEGUARDING

At Baldwins 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, emotional abuse, neglect and sexual abuse.

Where we have concerns in any area we will talk firstly to the child. If we have cause to be concerned, we will make our concerns known to the First Response team at Staffordshire County Council. It will then be their responsibility to investigate further.

Please do not be offended in any way if a member of staff approaches you or discusses a concern with you. Equally if you have any concerns or require any support, please speak to your child's class teacher or one of our safeguarding leads.

We are all committed to giving the children the environment and safety in which to learn.



Mrs S Maude
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Designated Safeguarding Lead for Looked After Children
Lead Professional for Data
(Early Help Assessments)



Mrs L Lowndes
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Mrs F Boulton
Chair of Governors
Named Governor for Safeguarding
Named Governor for Looked After Children

PE KIT ON PE DAYS

Please ensure that your child wears their school PE kit to school on PE days. Our PE kit consists of:

- White t-shirt
- Navy school sweatshirt or cardigan
- Navy or black shorts
- Navy joggers

Hoodies and any other t-shirts are not permitted. Thank you.

SICKNESS AND DIARRHOEA

A reminder of the school's policy with regard to sickness and diarrhoea. A child who has sickness or diarrhoea whilst at school is to be collected immediately and **kept away until 48 hours following their last case of sickness and/or diarrhoea.** If a child reports that they have had sickness and/or diarrhoea whilst at home, the school will contact the parent. If the parent confirms that this is the case, they will be asked to collect their child immediately. This 48 hour rule is essential in order to protect other students or staff from contracting a bug. Unfortunately, this may mean that a student misses a school event.

TAX FREE CHILDCARE PAYMENTS

A number of families pay for Nursery Wraparound and BUZZ using the government's Tax-Free Childcare scheme. For every £8 you pay into the TFC online childcare account, the government will pay in £2.00 to use to pay your provider. It can sometimes take 10 days for payments to reach school. Would you please bear this in mind and process payments in advance to avoid your ParentPay account going into arrears. Thank you.

Information on the Tax-Free Childcare scheme is available at the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

SCHOOL TRIPS – SUMMARY

We are introducing a rolling programme of trips so this list should prove useful for everyone by providing information on trips that your child will access as they progress through school.

The list will be updated on a regular basis.

Year Group	Date	Trip	Cost	Deadline date for payment
4	5 th October	River Study	£20.00	
3	15 th November	Stone Age Workshop	£15.00	2 nd October
N/R	22 nd November	Theatre, Crewe	£13.00	6 th November
All	21 st December	Whitmore Church	-	-
1	23 rd January	Nantwich Museum	£15.00	9 th January
6	6 th March	Recorder Festival	£5.00	23 rd February
All	21 st March	Whitmore Church	-	-
4	10 th to 12 th April	York	£165.00	4 th March
2	16 th April	Trentham	£15.00	2 nd February
EYFS	24 th April	Blue Planet	£20.00	1 st March
3	24 th April	Chester Zoo	£23.00	1 st March
3	1 st to 3 rd May	Standon Bowers	£156.00	4 th April
5	8 th to 10 th May	PGL Boreatton Park	£209.00	4 th April
1	22 nd May	Lakemore Farm Park	£10.00	8 th April
6	26 th to 28 th June	Llandudno	£170.00	31 st May

Fundraising for our school and how you can help

In addition to supporting the various fundraising events organised throughout the year, Baldwins Gate Primary School (School Fund) is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment.

We use our School Fund to support trips, resources and fun things for the children, such as the recent pantomime.

You can find our easyfundraising page at: <http://efraising.org/ELorNbEQrU>

Thank you so much!

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