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 'Generosity' which will be closely linked to harvest.

'God loves a cheerful giver.' 2 Corinthians 9.7

Each week our worship will explore the value of 'generosity' using the following themes: Loving others as we love ourselves Giving Sacrificially Giving Cheerfully Caring for creation Giving our time Giving as God gives

<u>Our Prayer this week –</u>



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. We look forward to welcoming you to school this week for Parents' Evening appointments. Please enter the school via the main entrance.

Lucy from Severn Trent Water is spending the day with us on Friday. She is going to give a whole school assembly in the morning and the rest of her day will be taken up with workshops in KS₂ where the children will learn the waste water treatment process.



A reminder that the children break up for half term on Thursday 26th October. We return on Monday 6th November.

SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERS

Please send orders to school as soon as possible. The deadline for the return of orders is **Monday 23**rd **October.**





We've had a really positive response to the Family Bingo Night so BINGO is definitely going ahead on **Friday evening** (20th October) from **6.00 to 7.30 pm**.

Bring your own drinks There will be nibbles on each table

Bingo books are £2.00 each and it's cash on the night.

We look forward to seeing a full house in the hall on Friday!



SCHOOL LUNCHES



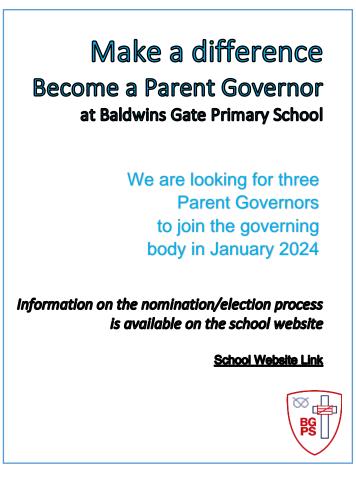
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18 th September:	Week 3
25 th September:	Week 1
2 nd October:	Week 2
9 th October:	Week 3
16 th October:	Week 1
23 rd October:	Week 2
6 th November:	Week 1
13 th November:	Week 2
20 th November:	Week 3
27 th November:	Week 1
4 th December:	Week 2
11 th December:	Week 3
18 th December:	Week 1
8 th January:	Week 1

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

Lunch Menu Autumn Term 2023



Thank you for all the donations that have already been sent in to school



MEDICAL CARE PLANS

Would parents who have a medical care plan for their child, please sign and return the plan that Mr Smith recently sent home. Please return forms promptly.

ADMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 2024

ADMISSIONS TO NURSERY

The application system will open this week. The deadline for applications is: Wednesday 31st January 2024. Parents will be confirmed on: Friday 8th March 2024. Please contact Mrs Riley in the school office if you would like an application pack. Alternatively, you can download an application form from the school website, using the link below: https://www.baldwinsgate.staffs.sch.uk/nursery-admissions.html

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION

The application system Reception admissions will open on 1st November 2023. Applications will close on 15th January 2024.

Parents receive outcomes on National Offer Day, 16th April 2024.

The quickest and easiest way to apply is online and a link to the online application will appear on the Staffordshire County Council website when applications open on 1st November 2023.

Full information is available at the link below:

Staffordshire County Council Admissions



PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES, BUZZ AND NURSERY WRAPAROUND

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.

May we please remind you that payment for school lunches, BUZZ and nursery wraparound must be paid for in advance on a Monday morning. 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.

The total outstanding balance today stands at £653.30.

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

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.

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

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.



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
- 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.



Children Lead Professional for EHAs (Early Help Assessments)



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Chair of Governors Nominated Governor for Safeguarding Nominated Governor for Looked After Children



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.

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

Awards have been prese	ented to:	
Nursery and Reception	Ava W, Flo	
Year 1	Esperanza, Ivy W	
Year 2	Albie, Grace	
Year 3	Daisy, Rosie O'B	
Year 4	Lucy, Wilfred	
Year 5	Ava, Enzo	
Year 6	Elodie	

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 the following children for fantastic independent writing:

- Amari
- Eva S
- Freya B
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WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

Week commencing Monday 16 th October Parents' Evening taking place Monday – Thursday		
Monday	Child Measurement Programme – Reception and Year 6	
Tuesday	Cross Country competition at Baldwins Gate after school	
Wednesday		
Thursday	Recycling assembly	
Friday	Severn Trent Water – Assembly and KS2 workshops Family Bingo 6.00 – 7.30 pm	



HOLLYOAKS

Exciting Children's Acting Workshop with Hollyoaks Casting Director!

THE NTCDA ARE RUNNING A TELEVISION ACTING WORKSHOP FOR **AGES 7-18 YEARS**. GROUPS ALLOCATED BY AGE. NO

PREVIOUS TV OR DRAMA EXPERIENCE NECESSARY 🌟

DATE: SATURDAY 21ST OCTOBER LOCATION: KING STREET STUDIOS, NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME, ST5 1EJ DURATION: 2HRS COST: £25

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