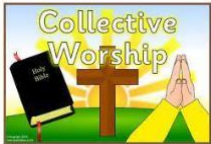




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Our Worship Focus

This half term our worship focus is 'Service'.

We will be exploring service through the following themes:
Using our talents to serve
Receiving as well as giving
Giving with strings attached
Looking at the heart
Living for others

"Serve one another in love."

Galatians 5.13

Our Prayer this week –



Dear Lord Jesus,

You have shown us through the Bible that you want to be woven into our lives as our friend.

Thank you that we can talk to you at any time because you are even closer to us than the people we see every day.

Amen

Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope you all enjoyed the Easter Break despite the rather wet weather. I cannot believe we are in the summer term.

Your child's class teacher will be sending out a welcome back email this week with information about your child's learning in class this term.

The summer term promises to be very busy so please check the newsletter carefully each week for dates and information on school events.

The children were amazing at the Easter Services held at Whitmore Church and it was wonderful to see so many of you in Church.

Thank you for supporting the Friends of Rosie Easter Egg competition last term. We raised £229 for the charity which is fantastic.

The pre-loved school uniform shop has been restocked over the Easter break. Please email Mrs Riley in the office if you are interested in any items. Thank you to everyone who has donated items. We are always grateful for donations of school polo shirts, cardigans and jumpers.

Thank you.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

End of Term Date – School closes for the summer holidays on Tuesday 25th July at 3:30pm

Parents' Evening Next Week

Thank you to everyone who has already submitted their online form for appointment times. Forms need to be in today and, for ease, the link is included below:
[ONLINE FORM FOR PARENTS EVENING](#)

DIARY DATE: Film Night on Thursday 18th May

We are holding a film night for the children on Thursday 18th May from 3.30 pm. Information will be sent home shortly. BUZZ after school club will not run on Thursday 18th May.

Diary Dates - Residential Visits – Information Meetings for Parents

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

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

Recycling – Used Tractor Tyres

We are looking to rehome some tractor tyres. Please contact Mrs Riley if you can make use of one or all of them. Alternatively, if you have any idea of how we can dispose of them we'd appreciate your help.



SCHOOL LUNCHES



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

<https://www.baldwingsgate.staffs.sch.uk/school-lunches.html>

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| w/c | |
| 17/4 | Week 1 |
| 24/4 | Week 2 |
| 1/5 | Week 3 |
| 8/5 | Week 1 |
| 15/5 | Week 2 |
| 22/5 | Week 3 |

Educational Visits Information in brief

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

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](#)

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.

Adventure Trail Play Equipment

Please can I remind you that the adventure trail play equipment is for use during school hours and by BUZZ club when children are supervised by school staff. Please do NOT allow children to play on the equipment after school.

Water bottles and sun protection

As we enter the summer term and we cross our fingers for some sunny weather, please can I remind you that all children should bring their own water bottle to school each day. We have a limited number of spares that can be lent on occasion if a child forgets.

Again, as we enter the summer term, please can you ensure that on days where the weather is forecast to be warm and sunny that your child has a sun hat in school and either applies 24 hour sun cream before school or brings this with them. We CANNOT allow pupils to share or use each other's sun cream due to potential allergies and allergic reactions.

Save money on your childcare bills with Tax-Free Childcare

If you're a working parent or carer, you can get up to £500 every three months (up to £2,000 a year per child) to help with the costs of childcare. If your child has a disability, you can get up to £1,000 every three months (up to £4,000 a year per child).

You can use it to pay for childcare including:

- childminders, nurseries and nannies
- playschemes, before and after school clubs, and holiday clubs

You can use the Tax-Free Childcare scheme to pay for BUZZ Breakfast and After School Club.

More information is available at this link:

[TAX FREE CHILDCARE INFORMATION](#)

Childcare
Choices

PE Kit Reminder

The school PE kit consists of:

- Plain navy/black/grey tracksuit bottoms
- Navy/black shorts or skirt
- 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 **school meals must be paid for in advance**. 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.**

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
- Neglect
- 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.

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).

What's on this week?

| Week commencing 17 th April 2023 | |
|---|--|
| Monday | Back to school |
| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | BeeActive After School Club for Reception pupils (sign up via ParentPay) |
| Thursday | |
| Friday | |

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/>

