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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

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. I hope that you all had an enjoyable and restful half term break. Although this half term is short, it promises to be very busy. Please do read the newsletter carefully as there are lots of events coming up.

I would like to take this opportunity to share and celebrate with you the school's achievement of the Silver Artsmark – thank you to Miss Cartwright for all her hard work in organising and leading this.

We are always available to meet with you if you have any questions about your child's wellbeing, education or if there is anything you would like to discuss. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself.

We are here to work in partnership with you.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

Diary Dates – SATs Information Meetings for Year 2 and Year 6 Parents



Year 6: Tuesday 7th March at 6.00 pm
Year 2: Thursday 9th March at 6.00 pm

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March and the children are invited to **dress up as their favourite character from a book**. If your child does not have a costume or does not wish to dress up, they can come to school in their own clothes on this day.



Mrs Dale is serving a special

World Book Day Lunch on Thursday 2nd March

The menu will consist of:

Harry Potter pork sausage with mash and pirate gravy or
Gruffalo macaroni cheese
(both served with carrots and peas)

Charlie's chocolate ice cream or
Hungry caterpillar fruit

The usual jacket potatoes and sandwiches will also be available.

BeeActive After School Activity for Reception – Wednesday 8th March

A reminder that there is **no** BeeActive After School Activity on Wednesday 8th March

STOKE CITY FC MATCH ON SATURDAY 18TH MARCH

The deadline for the return of ticket orders is Wednesday 8th March. We will not be able to accept any orders after this date. Thank you. If you have misplaced your order form, please contact Mrs Riley in the office.

SCHOOL LUNCHES



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

<https://www.baldwingsgate.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 24th May 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

[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.

School Meals – Price Increase

A reminder that due to unprecedented inflationary pressures on food and labour the school meal price has gone up to **£2.83** (£14.15 per week).

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.

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 Butterson houses
11.15 am Maer and Chapel Chorlton houses

You are welcome to join us.

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 5 PGL Thursday 24th March at 2.45 pm
- Year 4 York Tuesday 2nd May at 2.45 pm
- Year 6 Llandudno Tuesday 16th 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@baldwingsgate.staffs.sch.uk).

Superstar Awards



Awards have been presented to:	
Nursery	Ethan, Thomas G
Reception	Zarah, Wylder, Vinuli, Phoebe B, Hannah
Year 1	Theo
Year 2	Sennon
Year 3	Franklin
Year 4	Headteacher Awards
Year 5	Matilda, Alexander, Phoebe, Evelyn, All Year 5
Year 6	Flora, Noah

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:

- All Year 4 – amazing writing in English

What's on this week?

Week commencing 27th February 2023

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	World Book Day
Friday	

WHITMORE GIRLS

FREE...

GIRLS ONLY DYNAMOS CRICKET

DYNAMOS
CRICKET

Exclusively offered to Schools local to Whitmore CC.

Whitmore Girls Only Dynamos is an approved ECB Cricket programme for Girls aged 8-11 providing a fantastic next step for both those who have played Cricket before and for those new to the sport.

Girls will learn new skills every week and have the chance to play a fast-paced game of countdown cricket. We have a fantastic Girls set up with teams at U11, U13, U15 & U19.

Our **FREE** Dynamos programme starts at 6pm on Thursday 11th May, runs weekly for 8 weeks and is perfectly placed as the introduction to our Women & Girls pathway.

Parents can sign up using the below link and code.

**CLICK HERE AND USE
CODE 9XQLYY**



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/>

