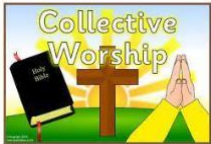




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Our Worship Focus

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 –



*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

SCHOOL LUNCHES



Dear Parents and Carers

I cannot believe that we break up on Friday for the Half Term holiday. The week leading up to Friday is very busy with Bikeability for Years 4 and 5 and Scooterbility for Year 2. Year 4 are spending Thursday at Lichfield Cathedral and are sharing the coach with Year 5 who are off to the National Arboretum. Year 3 parents are invited to the Information Meeting for Stanley Head on Wednesday afternoon at 2.45 pm.

Children return to school on Tuesday 6th June.

On behalf of the staff at Baldwins Gate, I would like to wish you all a very enjoyable half term break.

Thank you.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

End of Term Date

School closes for the summer holidays on Tuesday 25th July at 3:30pm

Years 4 and 5 Educational Visits on Thursday 25th May

IMPORTANT: Year 4 and 5 children need to be in school for **8.20 am on Thursday** for their trips to Lichfield Cathedral (Year 4) and the National Arboretum (Year 5). **Pupils in Year 4 and 5 should enter school on Thursday morning through the Year 6 doors.** If it helps any families, younger siblings may be left in BUZZ.

Class Photos – Thursday 18th May

Academy Photography aim to get proofs to us within one to two weeks.

FILM NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who supported last week's Film Night fundraiser. We've raised a fantastic £640.00 for school funds. Thank you to all the staff who helped plan, run and clear up after the event. We do hope the children enjoyed themselves.



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 3 Stanley Head Wednesday 24th May at 2.45 pm

Diary Date: Sports Day 2023

We very much hope that the weather will be kind to us and Sports Day can take place on Friday 23rd June from 1.30 pm. As a precaution we have set Friday 30th June as a contingency date.



IMPORTANT – EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please inform Mrs Riley as soon as possible if any of your contact details change or if you need to update the details for anyone included on the contact list for your child. Thank you.

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

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

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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 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

Year 6 – Llandudno Residential
12th – 14th June 2023

£140.00

Deadline dates:

Consent and deposit: 1st Feb

2023

Full/final payment – 1st May 2023

**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

How much is your child online?

Children are spending more time than ever online. As adults, we need to do everything we can to keep them safe in the digital world.

Do you know what your child is doing or accessing online?

Please can we remind you:

- to check your children's privacy settings on their various accounts
- to talk to your children about who they are interacting with online, are they friends or strangers?
- to ensure your child is not playing games or watching content that is not age appropriate, as many games and videos aimed at older children contain violence, theft, aggression and content that is not suitable for primary school children.

You may find these links helpful:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

What's on this week?

Week commencing 22nd May 2023

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Year 5 Bikeability Level 2 Year 3 Stanley Head Information Meeting for Parents at 2.45 pm BeeActive After School Club for Reception pupils
Thursday	Year 4 to Lichfield Cathedral (need to arrive in school for 8.20 am) Year 5 to National Arboretum (need to arrive in school for 8.20 am) Year 2 Scooterability
Friday	Year 4 Bikeability Level 4

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).

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/>

