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 '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,

The first week of term proved to be a very busy week. The children returned with lots of energy and enthusiasm for learning and settled back into the school routine quickly. All the staff have enjoyed hearing about their stories and adventures over the Easter break.

We look forward to seeing many of you at Parents' Evening taking place this week. If you have not booked an appointment but would like one, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you.

Mrs L Lowndes Headteacher

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

<u>Coronation Tea Party – Friday 5th May</u> Come to school in <u>Red</u>, White and Blue



During next week the children will be learning about the Coronation and completing artwork inspired by this historical event. On Friday 5th May the children are invited to come into school wearing their own clothes – red, white and blue. In the afternoon we will be having tea party to celebrate with a visit from an ice cream van. The children will be treated to an ice-cream or ice-lolly (using a contribution from School Funds).

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 4 PARENTS
- 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.



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.



SCHOOL LUNCHES



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

https://www.baldwinsgate.staffs.sch. uk/school-lunches.html

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:

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

<u>Information meeting for parents:</u> Tuesday 16th May at 2.45 pm

Year 3 – Stanley Head Residential 17th – 19th July 2023 £169.00 Deadline dates: Consent forms – 1st November Pull/final payment – 1st April 23 <u>Consent forms to class teacher</u> *Information meeting for parents: Wednesday 24th May at 2.45 pm*

LINK TO PARENTPAY

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 $\pounds 500$ every three months (up to $\pounds 2,000$ a year per child) to help with the costs of childcare. If your child has a disability, you can get up to $\pounds 1,000$ every three months (up to $\pounds 4,000$ 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:

PE Kit Reminder

The school PE kit consists of:

- Plain navy/black/grey tracksuit bottoms
- Navy/black shorts or skort
- 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.





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.

Superstar Awards

Superstar A	wards	
Awards have been presented to:		
Nursery	Thorley, Edward	
Reception	Everly, Ivy W, Max, Anna W	
Year 1	Ella	
Year 2	Finlay, Florence	
Year 3	Ida, Gracie-Mae, Jeniru, Wlifred	
Year 4	Edie, Enzo	
Year 5	Lottie, Lainey-Rae	
Year 6	Lexi, Haris	

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:

- Florence E for her act of kindness
- Jude for finding the lost hen •

What's on this week?

Week commencing 24th April 2023

Monday	Year 4 Football competition at Chesterton
Tuesday	
Wednesday	BeeActive After School Club for Reception pupils (sign up via ParentPay)
Thursday	
Friday	

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).

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/