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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

I cannot believe we are in the final week of the Spring Term. It's been a busy term, the children have been very engaged with their learning and a pleasure to work with.

The Year 3 and 4 production last week was fantastic. Well done to all the pupils and thank you to the staff. The raffle raised £208 and this will be split between the Rainforest Trust and School Funds.

Other news - Year 6 were amazing at the Recorder Festival last week, held at the Victoria Hall and Year 4 had a great day on their River Study trip. Thank you to the staff who braved the cold and wet to accompany them.

We look forward to seeing you in Church on Thursday morning and the children are very excited for the Easter Treasure Hunt taking place in the afternoon.

On behalf of the staff at Baldwins Gate, may I wish you all an enjoyable and restful Easter.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

Red Nose Day/Comic Relief – Friday 17th March



Thank you for supporting this year's Red Nose Day. We have raised £188.88 for the charity.

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.

School gates will open at 8.30 am on Thursday. Please ensure children are in school for 8.45 am. Thank you.

The services will be held as follows:

9.30 am Whitmore and Butterton houses
11.15 am Maer and Chapel Chorlton houses
You are welcome to join us.

We need you to consent to your child visiting church, would you please complete the online permission form available at the link below:

[ONLINE PERMISSION FORM - CHURCH](#)

Recycling – Used Tractor Tyres

We are looking to rehome 13 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.



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 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 23rd March 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](#)

[Information meeting for parents:](#)

[Wednesday 24th May at 2.45 pm](#)

[LINK TO PARENTPAY](#)

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](#)

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.

The logo for 'Childcare Choices' features the word 'Childcare' in a grey, sans-serif font above the word 'Choices' in a larger, multi-colored font where each letter is a different color (C: blue, h: orange, i: green, l: purple, d: red, e: yellow, C: blue, h: orange, o: green, i: purple, e: red, s: yellow).

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

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	Frances, Freya
Reception	Harper, Lillian
Year 1	Henry S
Year 2	Esmé
Year 3	Whole class received a Headteacher Award
Year 4	Whole class received a Headteacher Award
Year 5	Elodie, Poppy, Stanley
Year 6	Charlie, Miami and whole class received a Headteacher Award



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:

- Year 3 and 4 for their amazing production
- Year 6 for exemplary behaviour and playing at the recorder festival

What's on this week?

Week commencing 27th March 2023

Monday	Assembly regarding food waste
Tuesday	Assembly from Staffordshire Cricket
Wednesday	Meeting of the Governing Body and Finance/HR Committee
Thursday	Easter Church Services
Friday	Break up for the Easter Holiday at the normal time 3.30 pm

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/>

