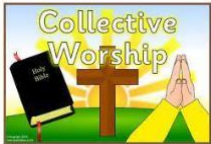




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Our Worship Focus

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the long weekend.

Congratulations to our Year 4 football team who took part in their first competition last Monday, playing two games, they all played brilliantly and were fantastic ambassadors of the school. Thank you to Miss Ward and Mr Bowen for accompanying the children.

Although only a short week, this week is action packed in school with Year 5 heading off to PGL for their residential visit on Wednesday (fingers crossed the rain holds off), coronation activities in the classrooms concluding with our Coronation tea party on Friday.

Thank you to all those who attended parents evening. If anyone has any further questions or concerns regarding their child's learning or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to contact either your child's class teacher or myself to arrange a meeting. Our door is always open to work in partnership with you as parents.

Thank you.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

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

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



During the 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).

Class Photos – Thursday 18th May

Academy Photography will be in school during the morning of Thursday 18th May to take class group and Year 6 leaver photos



Year 6 SATs Week – Tuesday 9th – Friday 12th May

Year 6 have been working incredibly hard in preparation for their SATs next week – we are all so very proud of their efforts and positive attitude to learning. Next week please ensure that children arrive in school promptly by 8:55am, well rested and having had a good breakfast, ready to face the challenge ahead. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them good luck next week – we know they will be amazing.



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

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](#)



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. BUZZ after school club will not run on Thursday 18th May. Information has been emailed home. If your child/children would like to attend, please book on asap. Thank you.

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

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 you 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/>

Superstar Awards



Awards have been presented to:	
Nursery	Daisy, Phoebe W
Reception	Anna L, Aria, Illarni, George F
Year 1	Lori
Year 2	Adam
Year 3	George W, Hudson
Year 4	Kai, Joseph
Year 5	Maddie, George
Year 6	Oliver H, Joshua

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:

- Lily in Year 4 for a fantastic piece of writing.

What's on this week?

Week commencing 1st May 2023	
Monday	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday	2.45 pm Year 4 Information Meeting for Parents re York residential visit
Wednesday	Year 5 PGL BeeActive After School Club for Reception pupils
Thursday	Year 5 PGL
Friday	Finance Officer in school Year 5 PGL Coronation Tea Party and ice-cream

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/>




THE
CORONATION
KING CHARLES
III
2023

MAER'S CROWNING GLORIES

Sunday 7th May, 2pm – 4.30pm

You are invited to enjoy a right royal good time with your neighbours and help to raise funds for the church.

Head to Maer Village Hall to pick up your Trail of Crowns, which will lead you through Maer's Coronation Street and to St. Peter's church. Take a seat on Maer's Coronation Chair and become a King or Queen by wearing the crown and taking a photo – we promise that you won't look like a proper Charlie!

Please bring cash for the trail and for a

"Happy and Glorious" Cream Tea

at Maer Village Hall.

See our facebook page for full details
www.facebook.com/FriendsOfMaerChurch

