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Our Worship Focus

This half term our worship focus is 'Thankfulness' which will be closely linked to harvest.

'Always be thankful.'

1 Thessalonians 5.16

Each week our worship will explore the value of 'thankfulness' using the following themes:

Thanking God for people who help us.
Praising God in Creation
Remembering to say thank you
Giving thanks even when times are difficult
Counting your blessings

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

Welcome to what is set to be another busy week in school. The children have enjoyed three weeks of swimming; thank you for all your support with this. There is, however, a great deal of lost property in school. We will be putting this out during the week – if your child has lost something please check.

The autumn weather appears to be with us and we do like to get the children outside as much as possible – please ensure that your child comes to school with a clearly labelled coat each day.

Parents' evenings take place next week, information has already been sent home via email <https://forms.gle/zoKeRDA8wDg9WJic7>. If your child has an IEP during this week, your child's class teacher will be making contact to arrange a review meeting in the next couple of weeks.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or the school office.

Mrs L Lowndes
Headteacher

READING WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

Reading is a key focus for us as a school and we are keen to work in partnership with you as parents to support your child's progress in reading and love of books.

To help us work together we will be offering the following workshops:

Tuesday 4th October @ 6pm – EYFS and Year 1 – A bedtime story for children and a reading information presentation for parents. Children are welcome to attend with you.

Wednesday 5th October @ 6pm – Year 2 and Key Stage 2 – The importance of Comprehension presentation for parents and story sharing for children. Children are welcome to attend with you.

CROSS COUNTRY AT BALDWINS GATE – TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER

We are hosting the Year 5 and 6 small schools cross country race (weather permitting) on Tuesday afternoon. The race will begin at 4.00pm and the event should finish at 4.30pm. Please come along and support our runners if you can.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to all those who supported our coffee afternoon. It was a great success and so far we have raised an incredible £447.35.

SCHOOL PHOTOS ON WEDNESDAY 5TH OCTOBER

Academy Photography will be in school on Wednesday 5th October (morning) to take individual and sibling group photos.

If your child has PE on Wednesday please send them to school in their PE kit as normal but they should wear their red polo shirt (KS2 children can bring their white PE shirts in a bag). Thank you.

SCHOOL CENSUS DAY – THURSDAY 6TH OCTOBER

School Census Day is an important day on the school calendar as it has a huge impact on the amount of funding that the school receives from the Government. The more children eating school lunches, the more funding the school is given. **Please help us by encouraging your child to have a school lunch on Thursday 6th October.** The menu on Thursday is all day breakfast, quorn hot dog with wedges or the usual additional options of tomato pasta, jacket potatoes and sandwiches. Thank you for your support.

SCHOOL LUNCHES



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 3rd October: Week 1
 10th October: Week 2
 17th October: Week 3

There will be a new menu after half term and information will be sent home soon.

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

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

Educational Visits

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

HARVEST WORSHIP

You are invited to join us for our harvest worship on **Wednesday 19th October** in the school hall.



9:30am for houses Maer (red) and Butterton (yellow)
 2:45pm for houses Whitmore (blue) and Chapel Chorlton (green)

We will be collecting donations for the local food bank. A donation box will be in the school entrance from 1st October.

SAFEGUARDING

At Baldwins 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
- Emotional abuse
- Neglect
- Sexual abuse

Where we have concerns in any area we will talk firstly to the child. If we have cause to be concerned, we will make our concerns known to the First Response team at Staffordshire County Council.

It will then be their responsibility to investigate further. Please do not be offended in any way if a member of staff approaches you or discusses a concern with you. Equally if you have any concerns or require any support, please speak to your child's class teacher or one of our safeguarding leads. We are all committed to giving the children the environment and safety in which to learn.

Mrs S Maude



Designated Safeguarding Lead
 Designated Staff – Looked After Children
 Lead Professional for EHAs
 (Early Help Assessments)

Mrs L Lowndes



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs F Boulton



Chair of Governors
 Nominated Governor for Safeguarding
 Nominated Governor for Looked After Children

Mobile Phones in School

Please can I remind you that the use of mobile phones on school grounds is not permitted. Please refrain from using your mobile phone at drop off and pick up times. Do not be offended if a member of staff asks you to put your mobile phone away.

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).

Superstar Awards

Awards have been presented to:	
Nursery	Thorley
Reception	Ember, Charlie
Year 1	Grace Robinson
Year 2	Noah
Year 3	Harry
Year 4	Lily B
Year 5	To be confirmed
Year 6	Harvie, Oliver Bo



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:

Xavier

What's on this week?

Week commencing Monday 3 rd October	
Monday	Mrs Boulton and Mr Talbot (governors) meeting with our Young Leaders Mrs Lowndes at Lichfield Diocese
Tuesday	Cross Country at Baldwins Gate 4.00 pm 6pm – EYFS and Year 1 – A bedtime story for children and a reading information presentation for parents. <u>Children are welcome to attend with you.</u>
Wednesday	National Poetry Day 6pm – Year 2 and Key Stage 2 – The importance of Comprehension presentation for parents and story sharing for children.
Thursday	Hearing Awareness whole school assembly followed by workshops for Years 1 and 5 School Census Day
Friday	

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/>

