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### Our Worship Focus

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

*'God loves a cheerful giver.'*

2 Corinthians 9:7

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

Loving others as we love ourselves  
Giving Sacrificially  
Giving Cheerfully  
Caring for creation  
Giving our time  
Giving as God gives

### 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

Welcome to this week's newsletter! A slightly calmer week in school now that swimming has finished. Thank you for your support with the swimming initiative ensuring that children had their kit in school on the right day.

We do hope you can join us on Friday afternoon for the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon. If you can bake a cake, it would be very much appreciated. Thank you

### ACADEMY PHOTOGRAPHY – SIBLING/INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Academy Photography will be in school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October to take sibling/individual photographs.

Smile!



All children must come to school in school uniform. If children have PE/BeeActive on Wednesdays they should bring their PE kit with them in the morning.

### PARENTS' EVENING – WEEK COMMENCING 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

If you would like a Parents' Evening appointment booking forms must be submitted by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October. The link to the form is available below:

#### PARENTS EVENING ONLINE FORM

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

The Macmillan coffee afternoon is taking place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm in the school hall. You are all warmly invited to join us for coffee, cake and a chat with all donations going to Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Can you please donate a cake (nut free)? It doesn't have to be home made. If you could please drop off donations at school on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning. Thank you.**

Children can bring a money donation and buy a cake at break time and parents are invited to some in and enjoy coffee and cake from 2:30pm - 3:30pm in the school hall.





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18 <sup>th</sup> September:	Week 3
25 <sup>th</sup> September:	Week 1
2 <sup>nd</sup> October:	Week 2
9 <sup>th</sup> October:	Week 3
16 <sup>th</sup> October:	Week 1
23 <sup>rd</sup> October:	Week 2
6 <sup>th</sup> November:	Week 1
13 <sup>th</sup> November:	Week 2
20 <sup>th</sup> November:	Week 3
27 <sup>th</sup> November:	Week 1
4 <sup>th</sup> December:	Week 2
11 <sup>th</sup> December:	Week 3
18 <sup>th</sup> December:	Week 1
8 <sup>th</sup> January:	Week 1

A copy of the menu is available on the school website, please see link below.

[Lunch Menu Autumn Term 2023](#)

# HARVEST

## Festival Worship

**Wednesday 25th October 2023**  
**in the school hall**

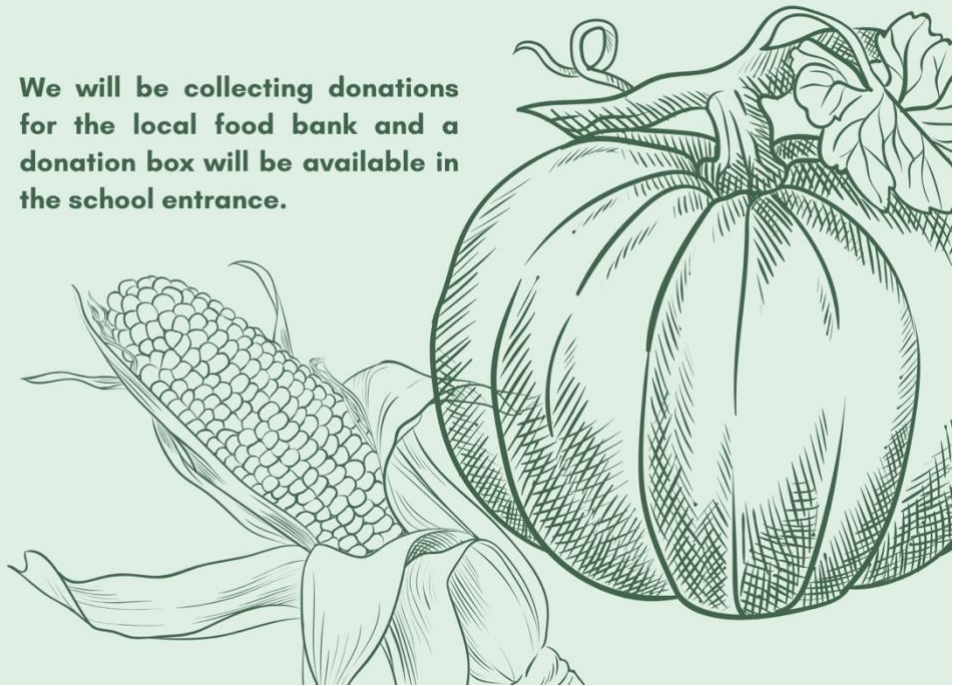
**9.30 am**

**for Maer and Butterton (red and yellow) houses**

**2.45 pm**

**for Whitmore and Chapel Chortlon (blue and green) houses**

We will be collecting donations for the local food bank and a donation box will be available in the school entrance.



### **MEDICAL CARE PLANS**

Would parents who have a medical care plan for their child, please sign and return the plan that Mr Smith recently sent home. Please return forms promptly.

### **ADMISSION TO RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2024**

The application system Reception admissions will open on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

Applications will close on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Parents receive outcomes on National Offer Day, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

The quickest and easiest way to apply is online and a link to the online application will appear on the Staffordshire County Council website when applications open on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023.

Full information is available at the link below:

[Staffordshire County Council Admissions](#)

## PAYMENTS FOR SCHOOL LUNCHES, BUZZ AND NURSERY WRAPAROUND

Services provided by Baldwins Gate Primary School are no different to those provided by any other business in that meals and other services must be paid for in advance and on demand. Most parents and carers understand that they cannot take their child to McDonald's and expect the provision of food or services without paying.

May we please remind you that payment for school lunches, BUZZ and nursery wraparound must be paid for in advance on a Monday morning. Please check your ParentPay account regularly and ensure your balance is not outstanding.

Chasing outstanding money owed to the school causes considerable extra work for office staff and embarrassment for all concerned.

**The total outstanding balance today stands at £938.33.**

Please check your ParentPay balance today and clear any outstanding balance.

If you require any assistance with ParentPay, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Riley in the office. She will be only too happy to help.

## TAX FREE CHILDCARE PAYMENTS

A number of families pay for Nursery Wraparound and BUZZ using the government's Tax-Free Childcare scheme. For every £8 you pay into the TFC online childcare account, the government will pay in £2.00 to use to pay your provider. It can sometimes take 10 days for payments to reach school. Would you please bear this in mind and process payments in advance to avoid your ParentPay account going into arrears. Thank you.

Information on the Tax-Free Childcare scheme is available at the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

**MADELEY SCHOOL**  
Newcastle Road, Madeley, Crewe, CW3 9JJ

**AN INVITATION TO ATTEND OUR  
OPEN EVENING FOR  
PROSPECTIVE PARENTS & PUPILS**

**ON THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023,**  
Presentations starting at 6.00pm, 6.30pm and 7.00pm

**EXCEPTIONAL GCSE RESULTS EVERY YEAR!**  
Our GCSE results over the last five years are phenomenal and yet again place Madeley School as a high performing school nationally.  
Our outstanding Maths results are among the top 5% of schools in the country.

Subject	Grade	Percentage
ENGLISH	4+	80%
MATHS	4+	88%
ENGLISH & MATHS	4+	76%
ENGLISH	5+	67%
MATHS	5+	67%

We look forward to welcoming you and your child for an introduction to our school and the chance to see our school at work. Choose to meet our Principal, Mr Nixon, in the Hall either at 6.00pm, 6.30pm or 7.00pm, before the opportunity to tour the school and meet our wonderful staff and students.

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## **MORNING BREAK AND PACKED LUNCHES FROM HOME**

May we please remind you that we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL and any snack or packed lunches must not contain items containing nuts. We have several children in school who are anaphylactic and carry epipens.

**THIS SCHOOL IS  
NUT FREE**



## **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 ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**

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@baldwingsgate.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@baldwingsgate.staffs.sch.uk)).

## SUPERSTAR AWARDS

A full list of Superstar Awards will be forwarded tomorrow



Awards have been presented to:	
Nursery and Reception	Noah, Freya, Phoebe
Year 1	
Year 2	Lori, Xander
Year 3	Adam, Heidi
Year 4	
Year 5	Lily, Rosie Bo
Year 6	

## 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:

**Frances – for making grown up and mature choices.**

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

Week commencing Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Academy Photography in school – pupils to wear school uniform to school and bring PE kit BeeActive in school
Thursday	Year 4 River Study trip
Friday	2.30 pm Macmillan Coffee Afternoon