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### Our Worship Focus

This half term our worship focus is 'Trust'. We will be exploring Trust through the following themes:

Knowing our Friends will support us.

Knowing Jesus is with us in stormy times.

Standing on God's promises

Being Trustworthy, not gossiping.

Trusting God

"My God is my strength in whom I trust."

Psalms 18.2

### 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

A couple of polite reminders:

As we are entering the colder winter months, please ensure that children come to school wearing appropriate clothing and footwear, warm waterproof coat, hat and gloves as we do like to get the children much as possible.



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Daily morning snack – a polite reminder that children should only bring in healthy snacks this can include: fruit, vegetables, yoghurt, cereal bars, toast, breadsticks, etc. Children should not be bringing: crisps, chocolate bars, sweets, cake (these can be lunch box treats at dinner time) and all snacks should be nut free.

Drop off times – the school gates are opened at 8:45am, any children arriving at school before 8:45am should be booked into Buzz Club.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to speak to me.

Mrs L Lowndes  
Headteacher

### Electrical Works in School

The school is having some electrical works to replace wiring and update light fittings across the school. To ensure no disruption to the children's learning this work will take place at night on Mondays to Thursdays from Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to March 2023 from 3:30pm to 1:30am. These works are all internal and there will be no impact on the local community. If you live local to the school please do not be alarmed if you see lights on in school and vehicles on the school carpark during this time.

### **Children In Need 2023 – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

We are supporting this year's Children in Need Appeal and children are invited to come to school in their pyjamas on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November in return for a donation to Children in Need. Children are to wear something warm underneath and to wear outdoor shoes, not slippers. We are organising some inter-house games during the afternoon.



### **CHRISTMAS – Advance Notice**

#### **Film Night – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 3:30pm – 6pm**

Children can stay after school to watch a film (film yet to be decided). They will have popcorn, a hotdog (vegetarian option available) and a drink. Letters were sent out last week. Payment is via ParentPay.

#### **Christmas Hamper and Non-Uniform Day – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Please donate an item for the Christmas Hamper stall and in exchange, it will be a non-uniform day for the children.

#### **Christmas Surprise Jars – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Children to bring their surprise jars to school.

#### **Christmas Fair – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 6:00pm – 7:30pm in the school hall**

We are really excited to see the return of our Christmas Fair. More information is attached but please get saving those glass jars for the surprise jar stall and sorting out those teddies for the 'cuddly choc' tombola!

#### **Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

Children are invited to come to school wearing their Christmas Jumper or T-shirt. Please send in a £1 donation.

## SCHOOL LUNCHES



w/c  
3<sup>rd</sup> October: Week 1  
10<sup>th</sup> October: Week 2  
17<sup>th</sup> 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.baldwingsgate.staffs.sch.uk/school-lunches.html>

## Educational Visits Information in brief

### Year 4 – River Study

16<sup>th</sup> March 2023

£19.00

Deadline dates:

Consent forms – 11<sup>th</sup> November

Payment – 11<sup>th</sup> November

RIVER STUDY CONSENT FORM

### Year 6 – Recorder Festival

21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Deadline dates:

Consent forms – 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 23

Payments – 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 23

RECORDER CONSENT FORM

### Year 5 – PGL Residential

3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> May 23

£210.00

Deadline dates:

Consent forms – 31<sup>st</sup> October

Deposit – 31<sup>st</sup> October

Full/final payment – 31<sup>st</sup> March 23

PGL CONSENT FORM

### Year 4 – York Residential

7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

£150.00

Deadline dates:

Consent forms – 10<sup>th</sup> October

Deposit – 20<sup>th</sup> October

Full/final payment – 31<sup>st</sup> March 23

YORK CONSENT FORM

### Year 6 – Llandudno Residential

12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Information to be provided shortly

### Year 3 – Stanley Head

Residential

17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023

£169.00

Deadline dates:

Consent forms – 1<sup>st</sup> November

Deposit – 1<sup>st</sup> November

Full/final payment – 1<sup>st</sup> April 23

Consent forms to class teacher

[LINK TO PARENTPAY](#)

## Christmas Lunch and Disco – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

The children will enjoy Christmas lunch in their classes before our Christmas disco in the school hall during the afternoon. Children are invited to wear their Christmas clothes and hats on this day if they wish.

## Open Evening – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022

We are holding an open evening on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November for prospective parents. If you yourself or anyone you know is looking for a Nursery or Reception place for September 2023, please share this information with them.

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Everyone learning together in faith, truth and love

## OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
Between 6.00 and 7.00 pm

Baldwins Gate CE Primary School is a nurturing Christian school where everyone is welcome and valued. As a school we have high aspirations for all pupils and celebrate their success in all of its forms.

On Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November, we will be opening our doors to the local community between 6.00 and 7.00 pm. This will be a chance for families to come and view our wonderful school and facilities and get a feel for our culture and ethos. The event is open to everyone. If you are looking for a September 2023 nursery or reception place, it would be a perfect opportunity to see what we can offer.

Our dedicated and highly experienced staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

If you cannot make this date, we also offer tours for prospective families. Please contact Mrs Riley in our school office via email or telephone.

We do hope you can join us and look forward to meeting you.

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## Year 3 Stone age Day

On Thursday last week our Year 3 class had a 'Stone Age Day' as part of their history topic. All the children thoroughly enjoyed the day. They had the opportunity to dress up, handle artefacts, make fat lamps and sharpen slate to make hunting tools. Look out for some fabulous recounts of the day that will be shared on our Facebook page.



## **YEARLY FLU IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME – 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**

The School Age Immunisation Service will be in school on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November to deliver the Flu Programme to pupils in Reception to Year 6.

**Information regarding the immunisation programme was sent via email on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October via your child's class teacher. If you have not received this email, please contact the school as soon as possible.**

The school has no authority over the administration of the Flu Programme – any questions must be directed to the School Immunisation Service.

## **Height and Weight checks of Reception and Year 6 children as part of the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)**

The Families' Health and Wellbeing Service will be in school on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Information regarding the NCMP will be sent out to parents of children in reception and year 6 after half term, parents do have the opportunity to opt out should they wish for their child not to take part.

### **Parking**

**STAFF CAR PARK** - Parents are **not** permitted to park on the school car park unless you are in possession of a Blue Badge and have made arrangements with the school office.



**ZIG ZAGS OUTSIDE SCHOOL** – Under no circumstances should parents park on the zig zag lines and/or pavement outside school/adjacent to the roundabout.

**DOUBLE PARKING** – Please can I remind parents and carers to avoid double parking and parking on the pavements on the roads around the school. This stops the smooth flow of cars and makes walking on pavements difficult and dangerous for our pupils and families.

**Parents of older pupils can drop children at the school gate to avoid having to park.**

### **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](mailto:office@baldwinsgate.staffs.sch.uk)).

### **Superstar Awards**

<b>Awards have been presented to:</b>	
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Meera, Kasia, Thomas G</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Anna L, Phoebe B</b>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Grace</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Edith B</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>All Year 3</b>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Xavier and Seb</b>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Phoebe, Lottie</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Oliver Be, Eva</b>



## 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:

- Aria for fantastic independent writing.

## What's on this week?

Week commencing Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	World Science Day
Friday	Remembrance Service for pupils

## SAFEGUARDING

### **Talk PANTS! To your children.**

Talk PANTS! Is an initiative run by the NSPCC that helps children understand that their body belongs to them, and they should tell someone they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried. In school we always reinforce to all children that their bodies are private and belong to them.



Use the link below for a child friendly video and helpful materials that can help you start this conversation at home with your children.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

### **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/>

