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DIARY DATES

Please view our school calendar on our website for up to date information: www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/events

24 Jan - Y5 Bikeability
 25 Jan - Y5 Bikeability
 02 Feb - Y2 Nantwich Trip
 06 Feb - Y4 DEVA Roman Trip
 10 Feb - TT Rockstars Day
 15 Feb - Y6 Stockport Air Raid Shelters Trip
 20-24 Feb - Half term holiday
 03-14 Apr - Easter holiday
 19-21 Apr Y4 & Y5 Residential Trip
 24 Apr - Swimming pool onsite for lessons for lessons
 01 May - bank holiday
 08 May - bank holiday (Kings coronation)
 29-02 Jun - Half term holiday
 05 Jun - INSET day
 3rd July - School Fest week



"You crown the year with your goodness; your paths overflow with rich food."

Psalm 65:11

Dear Parents and carers

What a fantastic day we had on Wednesday at Chester Zoo. The children were an absolute delight as always to take around the zoo and I was as always incredibly proud of their exemplary behaviour.

It was great to be able to see and hear the excitement as they watched the different animals in their enclosures. I know we were able to spot some of the species which are usually shy of the crowds during busier days.

I am sure you will appreciate what a huge task taking 190+ children to the zoo is and I am as always hugely appreciative of our staff team for working together to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all the pupils on this day.





Reception places 2023

Please make sure that if you have a child starting school in September 2023 that any reception applications have been completed online by SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY.

Attendance in School

We are experiencing an increased number of requests for holidays during term time. Please note that unfortunately most of these will be classed as unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances surrounding the absence. In this instance, we have a duty to report the absence to the local authority who may choose to issue a fixed penalty notice.

We understand that there will be times when absence is unavoidable and acceptable. Each absence is classed as authorised or unauthorised. Absences are coded as authorised where reasons are considered valid and unauthorised where no explanation or unacceptable reasons are given.

The following reasons are for example not acceptable:

- shopping visits
- care for family members
- days out
- holidays taken in term time (including long weekends taken on Fridays and / or Mondays)
- parental illness
- sleeping in / missing school transport
- birthdays or birthday treats

Every term I carry out a check of attendance across the school and should your child's absence fall below the expected 95% you may receive a letter outlining the expectations we have around attendance. Should this continue to show no improvement you will then be invited to an attendance meeting in school. We do appreciate that children get poorly and need to take time off school. However, I am sure you all support that term time absence has an undoubted negative impact on a child's learning and through the remaining part of the school year we would ask that any absences are kept to a minimum.

What the law says about school attendance:

The law requires all children between the ages of 5 and 16 to be in full time education. Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 it is the duty of the parent/carer of a child of compulsory school age to ensure that they attend school regularly.

Supervision Order Children's Act 1989: The local authority can apply to the courts where attendance remains poor. A named education supervisor would be appointed to work with the family for up to 12 months to ensure the young person receives full time education.

School Attendance Order Education Act 1996: If this is issued; parents would be directed to register their child at a school named by the local authority. A warning letter can be issued when a pupil has had 10 or more unauthorised absences from school. The warning letter gives parents a period of 15 days of monitoring. If at the end of this period if there has not been an improvement or an improvement has been made but not sustained, a Penalty Notice will be issued.

Families who take their children out of school for holiday within term time, or for other unauthorised absences exceeding 10 sessions (5 days). A Penalty Notice will be issued.

Penalty Notice: Each parent/carer would have to pay £60.00 per child. If this is not paid within 21 days, the payment increases to £120.00 per child per parent. Payments will not be accepted after 28 days. If parents do not pay, the Local Authority will prosecute in the Magistrates' Court. If convicted the parent will have a criminal record and may receive a fine of up to £1000.

The department for Education have a range of information available regarding attendance.

Prime Energy Drinks

From time to time different crazes come along - loom bands, trading cards, poppets etc the latest being Prime Energy drinks. I am sure many of you will have seen them in the news and the high demand by young people which has followed.

We are now seeing a number of children bringing these bottles in, some full of the original energy drink but others just used as water bottles. Unfortunately, they have today caused some issues and small disagreements within school resulting in staff time being used to resolve disputes over bottle ownership.

Please can I ask that children do not bring Prime energy drink bottles into school as a drink or as a water bottle. I am sure that you will agree with me in that staff teaching time can be spent more effectively working with the children.



PTA 2023

This year they will be continuing to fundraise to help support the development of our outdoor quiet area. This has been a great addition to our playtime space and is already used by a number of children to sit, read, talk, play board games or make models with our lego.



This term we will be looking to add more to this area with astro turf mats, outdoor storage for the lego and games as well as picnic benches with table top games. As well as developing a raised pond and wildlife area for our science and environmental work. If you feel you are able to support any of these projects either financially or with expertise or equipment please don't hesitate to contact me.

Please continue to support our PTA in whatever way you can, their fundraising at this current time is extremely important and enables me to ensure we can have the best possible provision for all our children in school.



Sporting News



Sandstone Partnership fixtures for the 2023:

Thurs 19th Jan	y3/4 handball	4-5:30pm sports hall
Thurs 9th Feb	y1/2 handball	4-5:30pm sports hall
Thurs 16th Feb	y5/6 handball	4-5:30pm sports hall
HALF TERM 20/2 - 24/2		



PE Award

This weeks PE award goes to **Bertie in Year 6** for being able to adapt to a variety of sports so easily.

Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

This term we will be focusing on the value of perseverance. Each week we will awarding those children who have demonstrated this value during the school week.

Perseverance Award

- YR** - Theodore for showing perseverance when writing 2 fantastic sentences
- Y1** - All of Year 1 for persevering with number bonds to 20 this week!
- Y2** - Charlie for showing perseverance in reading
- Y3** - Henry for working hard in our basketball lesson to learn how to dribble the ball
- Y4** - Ellie for her perseverance when using spreadsheets in computing this week
- Y5** - Tenzing for persevering and putting plenty of effort into his work
- Y6** - Harry for showing perseverance when playing sport and getting back up after a tackle



Headteacher Award

- YR** - All of Reception for their fantastic behaviour at the zoo
- Y1** - Ada for a brilliant start to Year 1 and Bunbury life!
- Y2** - JP for his enthusiasm and brilliant behaviour on the zoo visit
- Y3** - Archie for his fantastic understanding in our coding lesson
- Y4** - All of Year 4 for their behaviour and enthusiasm at the zoo
- Y5** - Freddie for always being an excellent role model to others
- Y6** - Belle for her enthusiasm and being a fantastic role model at Chester Zoo



Mathletics Awards

REC Bronze - Rae x2, Lewis x2, Alice L, Isla & Lily

Silver - Rae

Y1 Bronze - Rafferty, Elle, Fin, Lily D, Poppy, Ivy, Elsie & Aelwen

Silver - Raff

Y2 Bronze - Bertie & JP

Y5 Bronze - Seb, Freddie, Isla & Isabelle

Silver - Seb & Freddie

Gold - Seb

Y6 Bronze - Amelia & Emily H

Silver - Amelia

Times Tables Awards

Y2 Bronze - Jack Morr

Y3 Bronze - Theo, Sienna,

Silver - Tobias

Gold - Freya & Ruby

Champ - Charlie

Y4 Bronze - Ella W

Champ - Rory & Freddie

Champ - 99q with inverse 3 mins - William Burr

Champ - 60q 13,14x table - George

Y5 Champ - x13 Arlo, x20 Jacob W-M, x17 Ted, x18 Henry, x19 Sam

Y6 Gold - Emily G

Have a fantastic weekend and I look forward to seeing you all in school on Monday morning.

Nic Badger



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Amasing Clubs and Events 2023

A new year full of exciting opportunities!


Weekly Timetable

Wednesday
Performance Club Chester 5:15pm-6:15pm <small>based at Oldfield Primary School</small>
Thursday
Performance Club Wrexham 5:00pm-6:00pm <small>based at Coleg Cambria, Bersham Road</small>
Adults Dance 7:00pm-8:00pm <small>based at Oldfield Primary School</small>
Saturday
Creative Arts School 10:00am - 12:00pm <small>based at Oldfield Primary School</small>
Sunday
Youth Orchestra 11am - 2:00pm <small>(Every other Sunday) based at Catholic High School</small>

SATURDAY COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

Ages 2-11yrs old
FA & UEFA Qualified
Coaches
Fun & Inclusive Session

EVERY SATURDAY
09.30-10.30
ON THE 3G ALL-WEATHER
PITCH



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