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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 Apr - Science Week**
- 24 Apr - Swimming pool onsite for lessons**
- 27 Apr - Bag2School collection, 9am**
- 01 May - bank holiday**
- 02 May - Academy Photography, classes & Y6 leavers photos**
- 04 May - PC Cornall Parent online safety coffee morning, 9am in school**
- 05 May - Coronation Playground street party (red, white and blue theme)**
- 08 May - bank holiday (Kings coronation)**
- 12 May - Red Team Cake Sale**
- 29-02 Jun - Half term holiday**
- 05 Jun - INSET day**
- 09 Jun - Y6 Child Safety Media Trip**
- 13 Jun - YR,Y1,Y2 Musical Stories Concert**
- 15 Jun - Y4 Bridgewater Hall Trip**
- 17 Jun - Bunbury Village Day**
- 22 Jun - Scholastic Book Fair arrives!**
- 28 Jun - Sports Day**
- 29 Jun - Reserve Sports Day**
- 03 Jul - School Fest week**
- 07 Jul - Blue Team Cake Sale**
- 10 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service Trip**
- 13 Jul - STAR day**
- 17 Jul - Y6 Leavers Evening, 6pm in school**
- 19 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service, 11am**
St.Boniface Church
- 19 Jul - Last day of term**



Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."
 John 11:25-26

Dear Parents and carers

What an exciting week we have had back in school.

At the start of the week our pool was delivered ready for the swimming lessons which start next week. We are all very excited to have the pool onsite once again and I know the children will thoroughly enjoy the swimming experience again.



This week all parents of children receiving the swim session should have received a letter outlining times dates and kit needed to swim. Please can we make sure that children have swimwear, towel and a pair of sliders/flip flops to get to and from the pool. Swimming caps are also requested by the swimming company.

I have also had the privilege over the past 3 days of being on the Year 4 and 5 residential. First of all I would like to say how brilliant all the children have been - I have been so proud of their team work, care for each other but most of all their determination to try new things even

though they may have felt a little nervous or anxious. I would also like to say a huge thank you to the staff team: Mrs Gabriel, Miss Snelson, Mrs Walker and Miss Helsby and our governor Jen Yates who accompanied us on the trip. Without the dedication and commitment of staff members trips such as these would not be able to take place and I am sure like me you are extremely grateful for their enthusiasm for such events.



Parent council

Our parent council are a group of parents who represent the parent body within their child's class and hold regular meeting with Mrs Badger. The meetings are held half termly after school for about 45 mins via zoom. During the meeting questions from the parent body can be raised to clear any confusions or add clarity to things taking place in school, it is also a fantastic opportunity to raise with school any positives which can often go unheard.

We are currently looking for 2 representatives from our parent class to join our parent council team. Should you be interested in taking on this role please contact Mrs Badger on

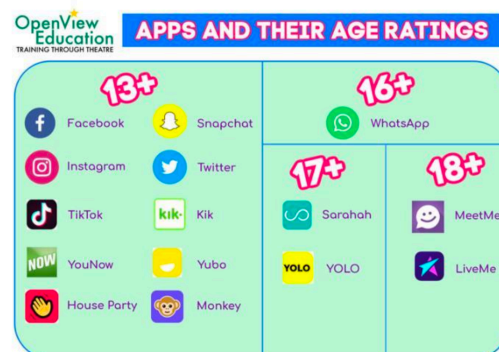
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Online Safety Parent meeting 9am Thursday 4th May

I am aware that a number of our children have their own mobile phone and devices and I am conscious that nowadays most children have these at an earlier age than previously. However with the owning of such devices comes the responsibility of using it appropriately and with respect to others.

It is clearly not school's decision as to when a child is given a mobile phone nor our responsibility as to what APPS the children are using. I do draw your attention however to the APPS and their Age ratings graphic below.

Unfortunately, we do often see issues from irresponsible use of mobile phones coming back into school along with a lack of understanding and appreciation as to how to use a mobile phone responsibly. This lack of understanding can leave our children extremely vulnerable to their peers and online predators. Difficulties can take the form of comments made on social media after school hours, inappropriate messaging, photos and sexting and can lead to much more distressing scenarios developing.



To support parents and help them navigate their way through this new online world our children are part of I have organised a parent session with PC Andrew Cornall on **Thursday 4th May** in

the school hall. **The meeting will start at 9am and last approx 90 mins. The presentation covers current risks from the online world, awareness of the functionality of the main apps young people are using and simple strategies parents and carers can utilise to reduce the risk of children coming to harm online.**

A letter will be sent out after next week asking parents to confirm their attendance should they wish to take part in the meeting.

Parking

Parking continues to be a concern at the end of the day in particular and there was some inconsiderate parking noted at the start of the week. This is always exacerbated by any wet, cold and windy weather when more people arrive to collect by car. Please can I ask that we continue to be mindful of safe and considerate parking when dropping off and collecting children. I am mindful that this is not a problem just specific to our school and am always looking at solutions and ideas to help ease the situation. I am planning to start a working party so that school and parents can work collaboratively to find solutions to parking at these busy times. If anyone is interested in joining this please don't hesitate to contact me on:

principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

I am also mindful that some children are collected by Grandparents so ask that this message is shared with all who collect children from school.

School Attendance

As a trust we set out attendance at an expected 95% for pupils and it is fantastic to see that we currently have 96% attendance as a school. However, there are a number of pupils whose attendance does fall below this expected standard and parents will be notified should this be the case.

We often experience an increased number of requests for holidays during term time, particularly during the summer months. 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. Attendance is monitored every half term in school with specific scrutiny of number of days missed as well as patterns to absences - e.g every Monday/Friday or children within the same family being absent at the same time. Whilst we appreciate these circumstances could be entirely legitimate they are often flagged.

The following reasons are for example not acceptable:

- shopping visits
- hair cuts
- 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.

Sporting News



Summer term 2023 sporting fixtures

Thurs 20th Apr	Y4/5/6 cross country	4-5pm field
Thurs 27th Apr	No event due to strike action.	
Thurs 4th May	y1/2/3 cross country	4-5pm field
Thurs 11th May	y3/4 athletics	4-5:30pm field
Thurs 18th May	y5/6 athletics	4-5:30pm field

Yesterday a team of children from Year 6 attend the cross country at Tarporley High school with Mr Friel. A huge well done to everyone who took part in the event but a special well done to those children who won medals - Euan, Hugo and Emily H.



PE Award

This weeks PE award goes to our Y6 X-Country runners - well done and thank you for taking the time to compete

Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

We have now been awarding children with different Christian values for a while based on the half termly focus value. We will still be working on a half termly value within school and this term we will be focusing on : Justice. Now that the children have a deeper understanding of our Christian Values we will be asking them to help choose a child from their class each week. This could be in recognition for any value we have been working on in school

Christian Value award

- YR** - Arlo for showing perseverance when writing sentences in phonics
- Y1** - Izzie for being kind and helping her friend when she was hurt
- Y2** - Ellie for showing forgiveness to friends
- Y3** - To all Year 3 for being the best team ever and tidying up after Art so well
- Y4** - away on a residential trip
- Y5** - away on a residential trip
- Y6** - Harry for showing perseverance when learning a new skill and being able to do it



Headteacher Award

- YR** - Arabella for always being a helpful and thoughtful member of the class
- Y1** - Dotty for her beautiful handwriting in English
- Y2** - George for his excellent attitude to learning
- Y3** - Molly and Charlie for their great observational paintings of flowers
- Y4** - away on a residential trip
- Y5** - away on a residential trip
- Y6** - Alexander for his hard work in all he does and being a superstar!



Mathletics Awards

- YR Bronze** Amelia, Alice L & Lily (x2)
- Y2 Bronze** Jack Morg (x2) & Ruby
- Y3 Bronze** Charlie (x2) & Tom
- Silver** Charlie

I wish you all a lovely, restful weekend and look forward to seeing you in school on Monday.

Nic Badger

BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



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Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!

Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

Please return your Bag2School on:

Thursday 27th April 2023 by 9am



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Bunbury Parish Council invites you to celebrate the Coronation of
KING CHARLES III



THE BIG
AFTERNOON
TEA PARTY

Sunday 7 May
2 - 4pm



**Bring your family, friends, neighbours
and your afternoon tea!**

Tea, Coffee, Ice Cream & Cakes
available from Tilly's Van

Entertainment courtesy of
The Easy Peelers



Jubilee Playing Fields, Hurst Close, Bunbury
www.bunburyvillage.info



Toilets available in the Pavilion. Please take your litter home.
No dogs, except guide dogs, are allowed on the Playing Fields.