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Diary Dates

23 Jan - World Faith Day: Hinduism
 24 Jan - Y5 Escape to Safety
 30 Jan - Y5 Bikeability
 31 Jan - Y5 Bikeability
 02 Feb - NSPCC Number Day
 06 Feb - Safer Internet Day
 13 Feb - Y5 Chemistry with Cabbage
 13 Feb - PARENTS EVENING (in school)
 14 Feb - Takeaway homework due in
 14 Feb - Share the Learning (view takeaway homework in school, 3.30-4.30pm)
 15 Feb - PARENTS EVENING (online appointments)
 19 Feb - HALF TERM WEEK
 26 Feb - Return to School
 01 Mar - SENSE day(for SEN pupils)
 04 Mar - Y1, Y3, Y6 Chester Zoo Trip
 05 Mar - Y6 Transition day
 07 Mar - World Book Day
 08 Mar - SENSE day(for SEN pupils)
 15 Mar - SENSE day(for SEN pupils)
 22 Mar - Y4 Roman Trip
 27 Mar - Takeaway homework due
 27 Mar - Share the Learning (view takeaway homework in school, 3.30-4.30pm)
 28 Mar - Easter Service 11am at St Boniface Church
 29 Mar - Good Friday
 01 Apr - EASTER HOLIDAYS

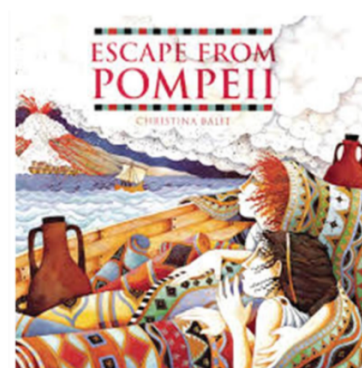
FRIENDS of BUNBURY ALDERSEY (formerly PTA)

07 Feb - School Movie Night
 10 Feb - Parents Disco
 16 Feb - Red Team Cake Sale
 07 Mar - World Book Day
 14 Mar - Kids Disco
 27 Mar - Sponsored Bunny Hop

Dear Parents and carers

What a fantastic week we have had in school with some inspiring learning opportunities across our classes as we explore our new study themes.

There has been great excitement in Year 4 this week when they 'erupted' their volcanoes as they continued their work around the text *Escape from Pompeii*. It was fantastic to see such enjoyment and excitement from their learning.



To continue to enhance our RE curriculum and strengthen our links with St Boniface church, KS2 classes will each be walking to church during the school year to witness a different service linked to our school Christian values. These services will be led by Reverend Tim Hayward. On Wednesday our Year 5 children visited St Boniface for our second service of this academic year, a wedding service which will also linked to our values of courage and forgiveness. We were also joined by Beth Hayward today, who delivered a forest church session for our Year 1 children.



Our RE curriculum at Bunbury teaches children about all world faiths and beliefs and next week we will be learning about the Hindu faith as part of one of our World Faith and Belief days. Over the past few terms the children will learn or have learnt about Judaism, Islam Sikhism and Humanism. Providing them with a broad knowledge about different world faiths and beliefs. We look forward to welcoming Prags Birk into school to lead us through our world faith day.

Key Dates for Spring Term 2024

Please take note that our diary section on the newsletter has been added to with key dates for spring term 2024. This will continue to be updated through the term with any new dates added in **red**.



Keeping your Child Safe Online Workshop

Last week we welcomed PC Andrew Cornall to our "Keeping Your Child Safe Online workshop" which has been run now for the second time at school to support parents navigate the ever changing online world. It was an extremely interesting and informative presentation which offered parents the opportunity to learn about some of the current online trends, platforms and APPs to be aware of. As a school we continue to see a rise in incidents which happen outside of school but are brought back into the classrooms where pupils have accessed inappropriate material, been involved in negative online messaging or are accessing sites and games which are intended for children much older than primary.

I am aware that a number of other parents wished to attend the session but were unable to due to work commitments. PC Andrew Cornall has shared with me below a number of useful sites and resources to help support us all with Keeping our children safe online.

Online Safety

Online Safety

Where's Klaus?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i4GKXsAOYZE>

Childhood 2.0 documentary: Social Media Dangers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=He3IJhFy-I>

Tiktok in China versus the United States

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0j0xzuh-6rY>

Mirror Mirror Documentary episode one

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wB_eh3GTsls

Mirror Mirror Documentary episode two

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvFbXO6RhT4>

The AI Dilemma

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xoVJKj8lcNQ>

C4 Dispatches Metaverse

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6mqpbGgUnFk>

Kaansanity hiding apps

TikTok user reveals secret hack to disguise apps including Tinder and Bumble on your iPhone | Daily Mail Online

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/femail/article-9298753/TikTok-user-reveals-secret-hack-disguise-apps-including-Tinder-Bumble-iPhone.html>



Passwords

What is Your Password? - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opRMrEfAiI>

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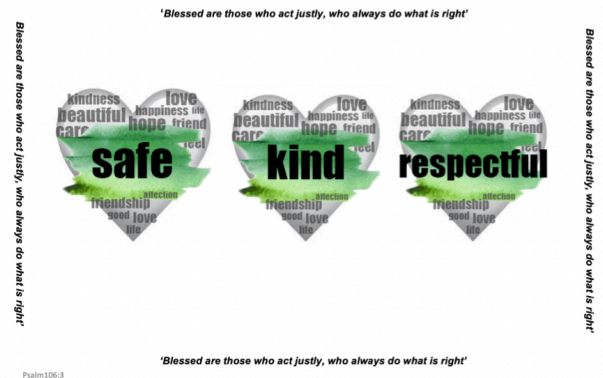
<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

Internet Matters

Information, Advice and Support to Keep Children Safe Online (internetmatters.org)

Respect for all

Bunbury Aldersey Church of England Primary School is a welcoming and friendly Church school that provides high quality education for children aged 4-11. As a Church school we hold our Christian Values at the heart of everything we do. Our behaviour procedure is based on the following 3 words and we work hard to ensure all children demonstrate positive examples of these behaviours around school and when representing the school.



It is very important to us that the children are happy and experience the best education possible. We value strong links and a close partnership between home, church and school and recognise the importance of trust and shared responsibility in education.

Bunbury Aldersey CE Primary School is a welcoming, supportive and inclusive school and it is important that all members of the school community work together. We are proud of our good reputation and we depend on the entire school community to help us maintain and improve our children's learning.

We are very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents and carers. Our parents/carers recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between home and school and understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons, we welcome and encourage parents/carers to participate fully in the life of our school, through avenues such as the PTA group, volunteering and Parent Council.

Unfortunately at times our staff team are not treated with the respect they rightly deserve. The purpose of the RCSAT Parental code is to provide a reminder to all parents, carers and visitors about expected conduct to ensure a safe and positive environment for our children and staff.

Respect and concern for others and their rights.

In order to keep pupils and staff safe or free from threat, as a privately owned site, parents and carers are allowed on to school premises by permission of the school; this may be withdrawn if necessary.

We expect parents, carers and visitors to show respect and consideration for others by:-

- supporting the respectful ethos of the school by setting a good example in their own speech and behaviour towards members of the school community both on school premises and in its immediate area;
- allowing plenty of time so that children arrive ready for a punctual start to the school day, to avoid disruption to their own learning and that of the entire class;

- not entering the classrooms before the school day begins in order to allow teachers to fully prepare for their day;
- not entering the classrooms if your child is late – parents/carers/adults should go to the school office and your child will be signed in and make their own way to class or be escorted by a member of staff;
- requesting appointments and messages for the class teacher only through the school office via telephone, email to admin@bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk or via written request;
- working together with all staff for the benefit of the children. We ask you to contact the school to deal with any issues of concern. The school will discuss and clarify specific events, issues and queries in order to bring about a positive solution.
- not bringing animals onto school grounds for health and safety reasons, unless it is for educational purposes and with the express prior permission from the Principal;
- parking carefully and in good time for the safety of the children.
- ensuring that in a position such as volunteer, Parent Councillor, PTA member or Governor confidentiality is maintained at all times to safeguard our school community and anything seen or heard in school is not discussed outside of that context.

In order to support the ethos of the school, we will not tolerate:-

- disruptive, aggressive, confrontational or abusive behaviour which interferes with teaching, learning or administration within the school;
- abusing a position such as volunteer, Parent Councillor, PTA member or Governor to gain access to the school or staff, or to elicit information for any purpose other than that assigned to the role
- using loud and/or offensive, aggressive language/gestures or displaying temper to a member of staff or child;
- threatening, aggressive or intimidating conversations or behaviour towards another adult, member of staff or child;
- abusive, aggressive, threatening or damaging emails, phone, text or social media messages relating to the school or school staff.

The Principal and the School Governors may prohibit an adult from entering the school grounds to safeguard our school community. Adverse behaviour may be reported to the appropriate authorities.



Attendance

Attendance at school is important both academically and for social/emotional reasons. This week the Government have launched a national campaign to remind parents and carers of the importance of school attendance. The campaign messages aims to primarily reach those parents and carers whose children are taking preventable odd days of absence – or “avoidable absence” – rather than children who face greater barriers to attendance, such as those with long term medical needs or special educational needs and disabilities.

The NHS and the Chief Medical Officer say it is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild respiratory illnesses, including general cold symptoms like a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances. I have received an increase in the number of holiday absence requests for holidays. As a school we look at each request for leave from school on a case by case basis and absences in term time will only be permitted under exceptional circumstances. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, holidays taken in term time will be unauthorised and maybe subject to a fine.

Where attendance falls below 90% for any pupil, we will contact you to discuss this and put in any additional support if needed. Pupils are classed as persistently absent if they miss 10% or more of their school days, which is roughly one or more days every fortnight over the school year.

Each academic year has 190 school days, this leaves 175 non-school days for family time, holidays, visits and non-urgent appointments. If a pupil is absent for just 1 day each term that equals 6 days or 39 hours a year of lost learning.

Attendance at school enables us all to build a strong team and to strengthen our learning powers. Our overall attendance for whole school is currently 96.66% which is 1.59% above the national figure and above other North West schools.

Parking

Please park considerably around school at drop off and pick up times. The safety of all pupils and parents is of paramount importance. There have been frequent incidents of cars blocking drives and parking on corners – this makes it difficult for residents, particularly on adjacent roads to the school.

We are working with the local PCSO and Parish council to try and come up with a solution to the parking problem. A problem which is faced by most schools at drop off and pick up times. Please in the interim we ask that we all think considerably as to how we are parking at these busy times of the school day.

This week I have received a complaint from a resident following the road being blocked by a parked car which had just stopped in the middle of the road.



IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

NHS

yes *until...*

CHICKENPOX	At least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over.
DIARRHOEA AND VOMITING	48 hours after their last episode.
HIGH TEMPERATURE	If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.
IMPETIGO	Their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics.
MEASLES	4 days after the rash first appeared.
MUMPS	5 days after their swelling started.
SCABIES	They've had their first treatment.
SCARLET FEVER	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics.
WHOOPING COUGH	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics.

NO

CONJUNCTIVITIS	You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis. Do get advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.
COUGHS & COLDS	It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold.
HAND, FOOT & MOUTH	If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.
HEAD LICE	There's no need to keep your child off school. You can treat head lice and nits without seeing your GP.
THREADWORMS	Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend treatment.
SORE THROAT	You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.
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SLAPPED CHEEK	You don't need to keep your child off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious.

As a school we promote kind, safe and respectful behaviour and we hope that this is reflected within our wider school community.

Thank you for your ongoing support in making the journey to and from school as safe as it can be.

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 : Courage. 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 - Sophie for consistently showing all of the Christian Values

Y1 - Arthur for bringing joy into the classroom

Y2 - Ellie for showing courage and confidence

Y3 - Georgiana for showing courage everyday in a new school with a new language

Y4 - Freya, Isla and Primrose for their kindness in making individual and personalised poems for the class!

Y5 - Morgan for her thoughtful ideas in R.E

Y6 - Alfie H for showing compassion by asking 'how are you?' during the day



Headteachers Award

YR - Leo for showing respect to others

Y1 - Lucas for his writing this week

Y2 - Sam for working hard to join his handwriting

Y3 - Edie for always being a beacon of joy, kindness and positivity

Y4 - Theo for his incredible narrative writing! Well done!

Y5 - Ellie and Edward for being such good sports during our visit to church!

Y6 - Tenzing for his fantastic vocabulary in English



Times Tables Awards

Y2 - Lili R, Ada, William, Lucy, Rafferty, Sam, Isobel, Ada, Fin, Poppy

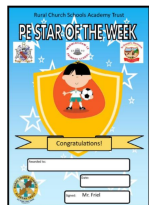
Y4 - Olivia, Freya

Y6 - Sam

My Maths Awards *(for those who consistently completed their weekly tasks last half term)*

Y2 - Lucy, Aelwen, Rafferty, Sam

Y5 - James, Noah, William Buc, Zach, George, Seb, Henry, Isobel and Ella W



PE Award

This week PE award goes to **William T in Year 5** for excellent Dodgeball skills

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday morning. Please remember gates will shut promptly at 8.45am

Nic Badger



2024

GREAT WINTER GET TOGETHER

Bunbury Village partners ALIVE & Early Birds invite everyone to an afternoon treat

A family event with fun things to do and learn for those young and young at heart

Find out about what is being developed to support the village

Have your say what you think needs to improve to support both our elderly and our young families



Saturday 20th January
1pm - 3.30pm
Bunbury Pavillion

**for more details contact
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