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Diary Dates

13 Feb - Y5 Chemistry with Cabbage
13 Feb - PARENTS EVENING (in school)
14 Feb - Y1 Winter Day/Walk
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
27 Feb - Y5 Jodrell Bank
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)
15 Mar - Red Nose Day - wear something red
20 May - Y6 London Trip
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)

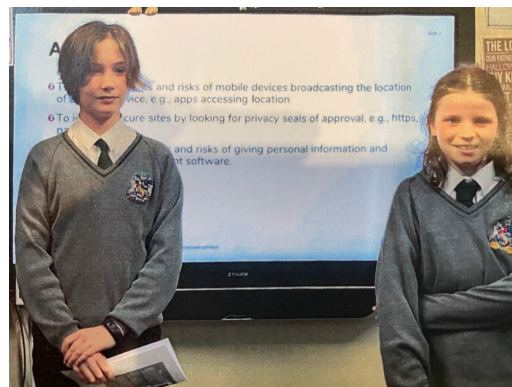
10 Feb - Parents Disco
 16 Feb - Red Team Cake Sale
 07 Mar - World Book Day
 14 Mar - Kids Disco
 27 Mar - Sponsored Bunny Hop

Dear Parents and carers

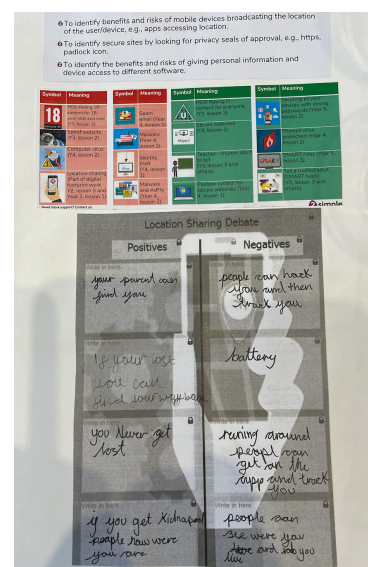
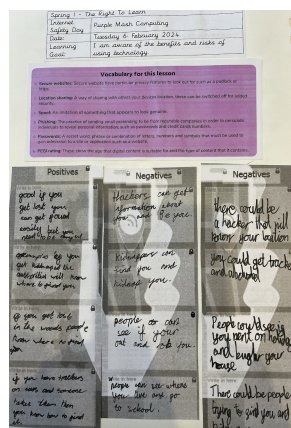
I can't believe we only have a week left in school till half term - what a busy half term it has been. This week we have been busy with Mental Health week and Internet Safety day on Tuesday 6th along with our core curriculum lessons.

At Bunbury, we take safe technology use extremely seriously and work with all our children at an age appropriate level to ensure they learn to navigate such an ever-changing landscape safely and responsibly. There are a number of support and learning opportunities in place at Bunbury for parents and pupils surrounding the online world from parent workshops, parent information on our webpage and newsletter as well as regular learning sessions for the pupils in class.

This week we have also shared our pupil mobile phone agreement with parents which will need to be shared and signed with your child/children before mobile phones enter the school premises. It has been great to receive so much support for this through email or comment. Together we can work together to ensure our children are educated and safe online.



As part of Internet Safety week our Year 6 children have been learning about the benefits and risks of mobile devices. They have also been learning about the risks of giving personal information and device access to different software.



As we come to the end of the half term I am delighted to have welcomed a number of new pupils across our school. Alexis and Georgiana have joined us in Year 3 and Carly in Year 5. On Monday we also welcome Enfy into Year 3. We hope you have all had a wonderful first half term with us and are starting to feel very welcomed members of our Bunbury family.

Next week we have Parents evening in school and online and we look forward to being able to meet to talk about your child's progress to date as well as their next steps in learning. As you will appreciate the teachers have a number of parents to see over the two nights and we ask out of courtesy to others that appointment times of 10 mins are adhered to. Should you wish to discuss anything further with the staff team a phone call or appointment can be made for a separate date.

Takeaway homework and homework books

All homework journals are due into school on **Monday 12th February** for staff to sign and look at. These will then be returned with Homework for Spring b at the start of the new half term.

Takeaway homework projects need to be brought into school on **Wednesday 14th February**.

These will be shared with the class and across the school in our **Share the learning session** where all the children visit each classroom to explore and look at some of the learning which has taken place. We also extend this invitation to parents to **Share the Learning** with an open session to look round the classrooms between **3.30 and 4.30pm** after school on **Wednesday 14th February**.



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**.

Attendance

Attendance at school is important both academically and for social/emotional reasons. The Government have launched a national campaign to remind parents and carers of the importance of school attendance. The campaign 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.

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 **1.86%** above the national figure currently at **94.8%** and above other North West schools.

Having good attendance also means being on time and not being late to school. Children who arrive late can feel embarrassed, left out and miss out on important introductions to lessons. Punctuality is an essential life skill that needs to be taught from the very beginning.

From next week we will also be focusing on persistent lateness to school and reminder letters will be sent to parents where there is persistent lateness.

The school day begins at **8.45am** with gates opening at **8.30am** and closing promptly at the start of the school day.

Our attendance officer will be joining us periodically to support the school with our "Late Gate" campaign.



SchoolMoney Accounts

We will be changing our payment system from 1st June 2024, could you please login to schoolmoney to ensure all balances are cleared before this date.

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** - Flynn for always being respectful to others
- Y1** - Lucas for persevering with his reading and concentrating well
- Y2** - Albert for his perseverance in writing this week
- Y3** - Saskia for being a beacon of hope, joy and compassion everyday, even when she might be struggling herself
- Y4** - Daisy for always being kind and helpful!
- Y5** - Stan for always striving to work hard and do his very best!
- Y6** - Eva for showing forgiveness and being a good friend



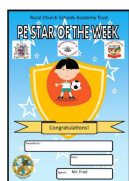
Headteachers Award

- YR** - Charlotte for making a brilliant dragon using blocks
- Y1** - Theodore for always having his own imaginative ideas in writing
- Y2** - Aelwen for her incredible attitude and effort in all areas
- Y3** - Ellie for showing the skills of a great writer, improving and editing
- Y4** - All of Year 4 for their persistence with our Greek play! 'Good luck tonight'
- Y5** - Heidi for her ideas and fantastic character description of courageous Arthur
- Y6** - Isla for her brilliant piece of writing and her effort



Times Tables Awards

- Y2** - Ivy, William, Raphaella, Lucy
- Y4** - Mia, Primrose, Ben, Tobias, Charlie, Frankie
- Y5** - Sam, Ingo, Seb, George, Carly, Edward
- Y6** - Ella



PE Award

There is no PE award this week due to staff absence

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

SEN CORNER

At Bunbury we appreciate your views and feedback on the education and provision we provide for your children. We would really like to hear from you regarding the provision and education for our SEND children, including those with an EHCP.

We want to ensure we are providing the best provision and support possible and would greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey currently available on School Spider.

The Friends of Bunbury and Early Birds
Valentine's Party

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Saturday 10th February, 8pm
Bunbury Village Hall
£15 per ticket

Live music from The Easy Peelers plus special guests!

Dancing
Drinks
Bacon Baps

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HOLIDAY CLUB

Tattenhall Park Primary School

Monday - Friday
19-24th February

- Full day - £32
(8.15am - 4.30pm)
- 1/2 day - £17
8.15am -1pm or 12pm - 4.30pm

- ***Arts and crafts***
- ***Sports***
- ***Baking and much more***

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ANY NEW CHILDREN MUST COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM.

Literary Daffodil Spectacular
Cholmondeley Castle
Sunday 24th March



An afternoon of poetry & prose
amongst a million daffodils