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Diary Dates

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)
 11 Mar - TT Rockstars Comp starts
 15 Mar - SENSE day(for SEN pupils)
 15 Mar - Red Nose Day - wear something red
 22 Mar - TT Rockstars Dress-up day
 22 Mar - Y4 Roman Trip
 27 Mar - Y5 Hope Journey 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
 15 Apr - Return to School
 22 Apr - KS2 onsite swimming lessons commence
 20 May - Y6 London Trip
 06 Jun - Sports Day
 19 Jun - Y6 Conway residential (for THS pupils only)
 27 Jun - Reserve Sports Day
 03 Jul - Y4/Y5 Residential
 08 Jul - School Fest Week
 16 Jul - STAR Day (2pm-5pm)

FRIENDS of BUNBURY ALDERSEY (formerly PTA)

07 Mar - World Book Day Competition
 14 Mar - Kids Disco
 27 Mar - Sponsored Bunny Hop

Dear Parents and carers

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term and once again it has been a great week in school. The children have returned from their half term break keen and eager to learn and continue with their study themes. All teaching and learning for your child/children can be viewed on their class webpage where you will find curriculum overviews for each year group as well as a curriculum map for the current half term of teaching.

https://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/serve_file/20303563

Please also check out our curriculum pages which will give you a wealth of information about how our curriculum is structured as well as the intent, implementation and impact.

<https://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/curriculum-organisation/144613>

<https://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/curriculum-intent/109363>



Curriculum

On Tuesday our Year 5 class visited Jodrell Bank as a hook into their new learning theme on Earth and Space. All the children had a fantastic trip and it was lovely to hear that they were also great ambassadors for Bunbury school with their behaviour and questions. I look forward to seeing how their learning develops as they explore this theme further during their classroom lessons.

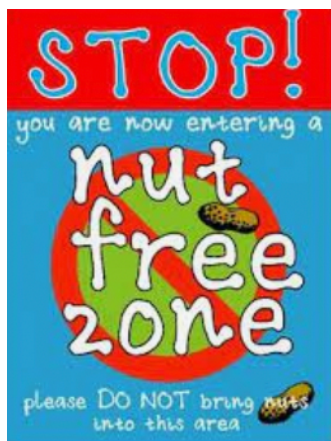
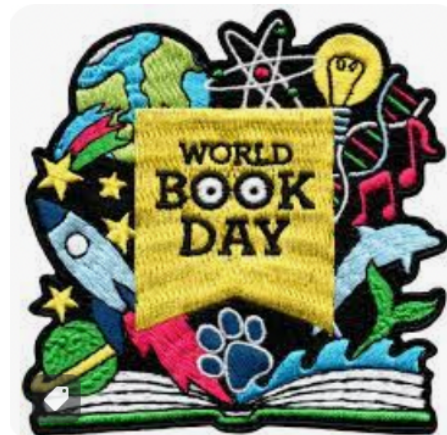
On Monday our year 1, year 3 and year 6 children will be venturing off to Chester Zoo as part of their study themes. A huge thank you to all the teaching staff who work hard to put together these visits off site to develop the children's learning further.

World Book Day

As usual we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March 2024. On this day Mrs McShane our English lead will be organising a range of exciting book related activities for the children to enjoy.

This year we will be having a PJ day and bringing in our favourite bedtime stories to share with our classes. We will also be having an author visit from Mrs Morrisroe who will be working with reception, year 3 and 4. Please also don't forget our Book competition organised by Friends of Bunbury.

All children and staff are invited to wear their pyjamas to school on Thursday 7th March.



Nut Allergy

We have a number of pupils in school who have serious food allergies in particular to nuts. Food allergies can be severe and exposure in any form (skin contact or ingestion) to these substances could result in anaphylaxis, a potentially fatal condition that requires immediate medical attention. For the safety of pupils we are asking parents/guardians to be conscientious in the selection of snacks that your child brings to school and to remind all parents that we are a **nut free zone**.

School Uniform

We appreciate that the cost of school uniform can be a huge financial pressure on parents at the start of the school year and during the remaining terms. Recently we have purchased some new uniform from a previous supplier which we are able to sell at a reduced price to parents. We do not have a full range of sizes and items but there are various sizes of skirts, jumpers, blazers and polo shirts. Should you be interested in purchasing any of the uniform please contact Natalie on 07592609116.

School Lane Traffic

As you will be aware the school work hard to promote safer streets around Bunbury in relation to safe and considerate parking. There are often regular reminders via text, email and offending vehicles are often shared on the newsletter. We hope that with a continued campaign we can all park safely and respectfully around the streets of Bunbury during the busy times of drop off and pick up. Recently, I have also been made aware of a campaign led by a Parish council committee to reduce the speed limit through Bunbury Village.

The school are in full support of this campaign and supported the Parish council by hosting a meeting in school last Tuesday. Unfortunately only a small number of parents attended, however, I have attached the presentation to today's newsletter so that you are aware of the planned proposal.

" A little bit slower, a whole lot better for Bunbury."

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.

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent Days	Equivalent Sessions	Equivalent weeks	Equivalent lessons missed
95%	9	18	1.4	45
90%	19	38	3.4	95
85%	29	58	5.4	145
80%	36	72	7.1	180
75%	48	96	9.3	240

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.

PE opportunities at Bunbury

This half term the school has worked very hard to recruit both Chester Football Club and Cheshire Cricket to come into Bunbury and work with each class in order to hone skills and improve physical literacy. All the children are very excited for the opportunity. A huge thank you to Mr Friel for continuing to provide the Bunbury children with such a wide range of sporting opportunities.

Next term we will see the return of the onsite swimming pool providing daily swim lessons for two weeks for our KS2 pupils. Again another opportunity to develop our sporting talent and allow all pupils no matter what their talent or ability to "Let their Light Shine."



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** - Edie for always showing all of the Christian Values
- Y1** - George for being kind to his friends
- Y2** - Sam for always showing respect to others
- Y3** - Edie for always being positive, kind and thoughtful
- Y4** - Ruby for always being safe, kind and respectful
- Y5** - Freddie for working hard and being an enthusiastic role model!
- Y6** - Zach for showing perseverance and hard work in learning



Headteachers Award

- YR** - Louie for working hard on his handwriting
- Y1** - Amelia for always having her own ideas
- Y2** - Dylan for all his hard work in writing
- Y3** - Enfys for making such a great start to her time at Bunbury!
- Y4** - Noah for his excellent ideas in English this week!
- Y5** - Ella W for always giving 100% and a great start to her myth
- Y6** - Hugo for fantastic narrative writing



Times Tables Awards

- Y3** - Ruby
- Y4** - Olivia
- Y6** - Ella, Corey, Ted, Zach



PE Award

This weeks PE award goes to **Emilia in Year 2** for showing amazing hand and eye co-ordination in tennis

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

Nic Badger

150 Club Draw

The 150 club was drawn today for February. The winning number was 15, congratulations to Audrey Burton, you have won £40!! Please contact Friends of Bunbury to collect your winnings

CHESTER FC TICKETS

We are delighted to announce that Chester FC Women is again offering your school's families the opportunity to access free tickets for our next two matches. We had a great response to the previous offer with back-to-back attendance records and lots of families visiting the stadium for the first time.

The team are playing Warrington Town on Sunday 3rd March and Radcliffe Borough on Sunday 10th March, with both games kicking off at 2pm at the Leap 76 Stadium, Bumpers Lane, Chester CH1 4LT.

This offer allows free admission for children and parents/guardians to one or both of these games. To take advantage of the offer, parents/guardians just need to register here: <https://form.jotform.com/240283026221342>

Many thanks,

Chester FC Women - Management Team

Addictive Behaviour

FREE



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21st March (7pm to 8pm)

Available to book now via the website
facefamilyadvice.co.uk on the PARENT page

FREE Dates available from Feb 2024 in Tarporley & Kelsall

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Thursday 21 March 19:00 - 20:00 FREE		FREE SESSION Understanding Addictive Behaviour - Screens, gaming, drugs and more
Tuesday 19 March 19:00 - 21:00 £24		What is ACT? An introduction to Acceptance and Commitment Therapy
Thursday 28 March 19:00 - 21:00 £24		Supporting a child with ADHD challenging the stereotypes and giving practical advice

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