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# **DIARY DATES**

30 Apr - Cancelled Y6 Deputation Day/ Service

06 May - Cancelled Academy Photography - Class, Groups & Leavers'

11 May - SATs Week - Cancelled

15 May - Cancelled Y4 Parent/Carer Lunch

01 Jun - INSET DAY

05 Jun - Cancelled Y6 London Trip

12 Jun - Sports Day & Family Picnic

19 Jun - Reserve Sports Day & Picnic

20 Jun - Cancelled Bunbury Village Day

22 Jun - Cancelled Y3 & Y5 Edmond Hall Residential

24 Jun - Cancelled Y6 (THS pupils) Conway Residential

26 Jun - Y5 Parent/Carer Lunch

01 Jul - Cancelled Y4 Tattenhall Residential

09 Jul - Y6 Leavers' Evening

10 Jul - Y6 Parent/Carer Lunch

10 Jul - Star Day

15 Jul - Y6 Leavers' Church Service,10am St.Boniface

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

### Friday Celebration Assembly is now on a Monday at 2.40pm

Parents, Carers and Friends are invited to our celebration assembly. Please email <u>admin</u> if you would like to attend.

Click here to view our LUNCH MENU

Click here to view our SPORTS PAGE & CALENDAR







### **Isaiah 40:31**

But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thope everyone has continued to enjoy the spring sunshine, despite the difficult circumstances we are in the weather continues to be on our side.

Even though we continue to be physically parted we have been able to stay connected through our technology. I am overwhelmed by all your photos, messages and emails sharing your home learning. Our new Padlet has been used extensively this week and it has been a joy to see all the ways you are all keeping that love for learning alive. I have been able to start a new 'home learning head teachers award' after seeing all the fantastic work being

produced. Our first children to receive it this week are listed below.

I am so proud of how everyone has pulled together, kept smiling, kept learning and kept communicating.

Well done Bunbury,

keep going and stay strong - we can do this.



Once again we continue to stay open for those critical key workers who have no other option but to use the provision in school. A huge thank you from all at Bunbury to those on the

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frontline keeping everyone safe. We will continue to be there for you Bunbury as and when you need us.

## So what have we been up to in school:

Thanks to our dedicated team of duty staff the children in our provision have had another fantastic week of activities.

This week we have continued to see various activities - art, crafts, water challenges and an early sports day. The glorious weather has continued to shine down on us which has meant that we have been able to spend most of our time outside.















Below is the staff duty rota for next week, I am sure the children will continue to enjoy the different activities being provided by the dedicated team of Bunbury teachers and teaching assistants.

#### Week 6 OPENING (27th April – 1st May)

	Mon 27th 8-6	Tue 28th 8-6	Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> 8-6	Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> 8-6	Fri 1 <u>st 8</u> -6
Teacher 1	Katherine C	Jo G	Cath Smith	Sam D	Nikki S
Teacher 2	Frances	Collette W	Selina W	Harry M	Elaine C

The weather continues to be warm and sunny which means we will get the children outside as much as possible completing lots of exciting outdoor learning projects. Please ensure that those children who are coming to school have adequate suncream protection, hat and a water bottle.

# **Home learning**

This term our theme is 'What a waste' and there are various takeaway projects for each year group linked to this along with maths, writing and spelling resources. These can be found on the class pages under the SCHOOL CLOSURE TAB.

There is also a special challenge from me. You may remember that last year we held our very own Dragon's Den project with the theme 'What can you do with an idea?'

This year the theme to challenge you is "What can you do with a plastic bottle?" There will be a prize for each year group as well as one for the most inventive idea for KS1 and KS2. Get your thinking caps on and see who can come up with the best use of an empty plastic bottle which would otherwise of been thrown away as waste.....



We have had some fantastic creations so far and I look forward to seeing what other things you can do with a plastic bottle.

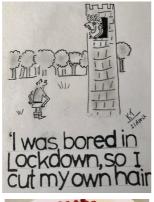




Thank you to Primrose and Orla for these creations - they are great.

There have been lots of fantastic examples of home learning being completed this week which I have been able to see using our new Padlet.

















# Mrs Badgers Home Learning Headteacher Award

# Well done all the children listed below:

- YR Archie for a fantastic acrostic poem
- YR -Charlie for maths and writing work on dinosaurs
- YR Primrose for a fantastic Elmer creation with a plastic bottle
- Y1 Harry for a fantastic letter writing to Beeston castle
- Y3 William for superstar spelling
- Y4 Evan for computer programming
- Y5 Orla for a fantastic plant pot creation from a plastic bottle



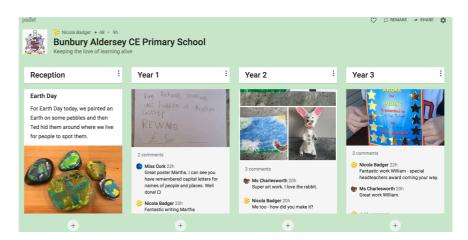
I just want to reiterate one really important point about learning at home: it is wholly different to a normal school day. Please don't worry 5 minutes of something is better than none.

### **Communication**

We understand that during this time, parents and children will want to keep in touch with school and teachers as much as possible and we have always encouraged this to continue. We thank those parents who have uploaded photos to our facebook pages and emailed us on the system below.

Our new school Padlet is now up and running and I have been amazed by all the work at home you have been doing - you really are keeping the love of learning alive at home -well done.

As you can see from the image of the Padlet screen opposite we are safely able to comment and communicate with the children about their work, keeping that all important communication going.



Children are able to upload comments and pictures on to the Padlet page under their class column to show their home learning. Teachers can then add comments, weblinks and extra resources and activities etc in response to the post too. As the length of time we are now going to be apart has been extended this will be an excellent and safe way of sharing and communicating between teachers and pupils.

Please remember that if you need to contact the school during this time please copy all 3 addresses into your message:

principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk
admin@bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk
closurebunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

It is crucial that these 3 email addresses are used for any school communication currently as should either myself or admin fall ill the closure email is accessed by all duty staff. This is particularly important should your communication be around child care. By using all 3 addresses we can be certain any child care requests or alterations can be met and acknowledged.

inally I want to end my newsletter today in a slightly different way than normal. I continue to want to

acknowledge the hard work, dedication and teamwork of the wonderful staff at Bunbury. They are truly a force for good and without which we would not have the outstanding school we have.

I also want to check how you all are. I know many of you are busy doing your jobs, thinking about your own health and that of loved ones as well as looking after children or parents. Not to mention trying to home school!

The impact of the lock down and the uncertainty is beginning to bite and some people are starting to feel it. Therefore I wanted to check we are all well and in regular contact with someone who can look out for you.

No matter who you are or where you are located everyone is sharing similar stories of feeling emotions like frustration, guilt, anger, low mood, apathy, worries and fatigue. If you are experiencing any or all of those emotions then you are not alone. Its ok to not be ok at the moment.

It's perfectly normal and expected, the key though is not to bottle them up. One of the traits of resilient people is their ability to accept exactly where they are. One of the common things people talk about as being effective is keeping talking about how they are feeling and rather than fighting it, sitting with it for a while and then allowing it to pass.

Realising that accepting that thoughts aren't true and feelings aren't facts is important in being resilient and in looking after our own mental health.

Please remember that whilst we continue to support your children I am here to support you as parents if needed. We are all in this together and are there to care for each other. We will get through this and we will all come out the other side stronger.

Thank you as always for your continued support, I appreciate your kindness and care towards myself and the staff. I hope you and your loved ones stay well during this difficult time.

The staff at Bunbury miss you and your children terribly and we cannot wait until our very quiet corridors are filled once again with the sounds of laughter and joy.

### Until then as staff we have a very special message for you all



Let's keep working together and we will become a stronger learning community because of it.

Look after each other

Take care and stay safe Bunbury.

NM Badger

# Advice Line Children & Young People

Cheshire and Wirral Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)



Are you a young person who is struggling with their mental health?



Are you worried about your child's mental health?

Talk to us





Are you an adult working with a young person and concerned about their mental health?



Contact our advice line for advice, support and resources.

You can also contact our advice line if you would like to consider a self- referral.



5pm - 10pm 12pm - 8pm

Mon to Fri Weekends

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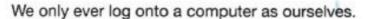
Helping people to be the best they can be



We always ask permission before using the ICT equipment.



We learn to keep our passwords a secret.





We never give out our names, phone numbers or home address to anyone.

We never arrange to meet someone we don't know - ask an adult we know and trust first.





We only use websites that an adult has chosen or knows about.

We can write polite and friendly emails to people we know.

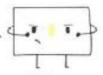




We close any website we don't like and tell an adult.



We never open emails from anyone we don't know.



We know who to ask for help if we're not sure about anything.

We know it's important to follow these ICT rules to keep us safe and to treat equipment with care

'Think b4 u click'