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# **DIARY DATES**

- 12 May Academy Photography, Class **Groups & Leavers (NEW DATE)**
- 09 May Y6 SATs week
- 16 May Schools Fest Week
- 26 May Platinum Jubilee playground street
- 27 May Bank Holiday for Jubilee, school closed
- 15 Jun Deputation Day with Haberdashers including Y6 bible presentation
- 11am
- 22 Jun Y6 Conway Transitional Residential (for THS pupils)
- 23 Jun Y4 Bridgewater Hall Trip
- 23 Jun Scholastic Book Fair arrives
- 27 Jun AmaSing Concert at the Story House
- 29 Jun Sports Day: KS1 am/ KS2 pm
- 30 Jun Reserve Sports Day
- 07 Jul Scholastic Book Fair to be collected
- 13 Jul Y6 Leavers Service Trip, Chester Cathedral (pupils only)
- 14 Jul STAR Day (whole school)
- 18 Jul Deanery Sports
- 19 Jul Y6 Leavers Evening (NEW DATE)
- 20 Jul Y6 Leavers Service at St.Boniface
- 10.30am

Please view our school calendar on our website for up to date information:





opportunities.

#### Isaiah 41:10

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

### Dear Parents/Carers,

What another fantastic week in school we have had. Our swimming lessons have continued for a second week and we have been delighted to offer our Year 2 pupils an after school swimming club this time. The children have thoroughly enjoyed having an 'onsite' pool even if it has only been for a couple of weeks and we have already booked our slot for next year. It has been wonderful to see how they have progressed and how their confidence has grown. They have also shown great maturity, flexibility and organisation in coming out of lessons, changing, swimming, dressing and returning to class. Despite the daily swimming lessons learning has continued to take place at a pace within the classrooms. All children are now fully engaged with their new STEM based study theme in their classes and it is a joy to hear and see them enjoying their work so much. None of this though would be possible without the enthusiasm, dedication and organisation of our teaching staff. Who despite the busy timetabling of

activities and events manage to plan, organise and deliver fantastic teaching and learning









As we enter the month of May we have seen the official statutory testing timetable return to primary schools. This has been absent from our calendars for the past 2 years due to Covid. Children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6 will take part in some form of statutory testing over the next few weeks as listed below.

- **Year 1 Phonics Screening test**
- Year 2 End of Key Stage 1 tests in reading, writing and maths
- **Year 4 Multiplication tests**
- Year 6 End of Key Stage 2 tests in reading, writing and maths

Whilst we may all have very different views on the place of testing within the primary curriculum I would like to ask that the testing process is kept in perspective for the children. All the staff at Bunbury ensure that the children are prepared adequately so that they can achieve their potential and I know that through this year they have worked incredibly hard deepening their learning in preparation for these tests and I am extremely proud of each and everyone of them.

For some, it may be quite challenging, emotionally some may be on a rollercoaster and for others they may take it all in their stride. As their headteacher, and a parent, I know that it is not easy being tested as a child at any age but there is something they need to remember.

None of the tests listed above measure what makes you special and unique. They do not know that you sing, dance and are extremely creative. They do not measure how kind you are to your friends or how you look after your classmates. They do not know how far you can run, how well you can ride a horse or how many goals you have scored. They do not know that you have overcome hurdles and obstacles in your life and they certainly do not test how special, unique and amazing you are as individuals.

# The results from these tests will tell you something, but not everything.

If any parents do have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact me or the class teacher.



We have had several kind offers of donations for our Platinum Jubilee Street Party so far and they are very much appreciated. As you will have seen on last weeks newsletter at the end of this half term we will be having a Platinum playground street party' for all the children to celebrate the Queens Jubilee. All the children will be part of the party which will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 26th May to end the half term. We will be working with our catering team to plan a special 'Platinum picnic lunch' which all children will be able to order before the day at a cost of £ 2.25. A letter will be coming out next week for you to order a lunch on this day should you wish to. Alternatively, there will

be the option to bring their own picnic lunch. We will be asking the children to come to school dressed in anything red, white or blue. As it is a 'party' we are looking at what we can do and provide for the children to mark this historic event and celebrate with everyone. If anyone has any ideas or are able to support in anyway with any of the following: balloons, bouncy castle, party games, ice cream etc please email school at either:

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

Outside the world may remain strange and uncertain but behind our school walls wonderful things are continuing to take place...



# Bunbury Primary School Sporting Fixtures: Summer Term fixtures to date



At Bunbury, we are blessed to have so many sporting opportunities for children from our reception class right through to Year 6. Under the instruction of our sports partnership at Tarporley High School, we participate in various sporting competitions throughout the academic year from dodgeball to gymnastics to name but a few. These events are all organised by the High school and as a school we are extremely thankful to the time they invest in organising these events for their primary partners.

We always take considerable time when making team selections to ensure that firstly, those who may wish to take part maybe offered the chance and secondly, to ensure that children are chosen in order to develop their skills, abilities and self- confidence. It is though not always possible each time to take all children who volunteer as numbers are often restricted.

Our teams and squad selections are done on a rotational basis with a core of children chosen who excel in a particular sport in order to hone their abilities within a competitive environment alongside those children who show enthusiasm and want to have a go at taking part in a collaborative team sport.

Some may believe that we should be going into a competition to win with the strongest team. However we all know that part of becoming a good well rounded sports person is learning that you may not win each time and to work as a team.

Both myself and Mr Friel agree that our team selection will never become elitist as this does not sit with our school vision of 'Let your light shine.' We will always ensure that there is an equal mix of those who excel and those who show enthusiasm and a desire to try something new within a competitive environment.

As we receive the fixture list through the academic year we will update the sporting fixture calendar below so that as much notice as possible is provided. There maybe times when due scheduling of staff events and training we may not be able to take a team to represent the school.

5/5/22 - Year 1/2 Cross Country at THS

19/5/22 - Year 5/6 Athletics at THS

18/7/22 - KS2 Deanery Sports





### **PE Award**

This week's PE award goes to **all of our Y1/Y2 X-Country runners** for being fantastic runners and showing good sportsmanship!

### **Uniform**

Now we are in the summer term children can now wear the summer school uniform or choose to continue to wear the winter uniform if they wish. Further details can be found on the following link to our website. <a href="http://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/uniform/2420">http://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/uniform/2420</a>

Now the weather is getting warmer, please can I remind you that PE hoodies are now only to be worn on PE days and not as part of the school uniform.

# Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

This term we will be focusing on the value of friendship. Each week we will be rewarding those children who have demonstrated this value during the school week.

# **Friendship Award**

- YR Isobel B for showing kindness towards others and being a good friend
- Y1 to all the X-Country runners for showing friendship and support to each other
- Y2 to all the X-country runners for friendship and support to each other
- **Y3** Ingo for being a fabulous friend and playing scatterball well and supporting his friends
- Y4 Corey for always being a good friend and looking after others
- Y5 Evelyn for always being there for her friends
- Y6 Finn for always being a good friend to others

### **Headteacher Award**

- YR Rafferty for working so hard on his writing
- Y1 Ruby for being an outstanding role model to all
- Y2 Annabelle for her amazing individual effort and determination at x-country
- Y3 Morgan for her interesting topic related sharing
- Y4 Ted, Elliot, Eva and Harriet for their fantastic work on electrical circuits!
- Y5 Lollie for the effort she puts into all her work
- Y6 Natalie for her brilliant maths work this week

### **Mathletics Awards**

- YR Bronze Lucy, Aelwen, Ivy, Raphaella & Elsie
- Y2 Bronze Theo, Frankie & Ruby
- Y4 Bronze Alex
  - Silver Alex

### **Times Table Awards**

Y2 Bronze Ada & Tobias

Silver Tom, Frankie, Daisy, Ruby & Chloe

Gold Jonty, Freya, Charlie, Theo & Ben

Y4 Bronze Ella, Elliot, Emre & Jacob WM

Champion (13, 14x table - 60 questions) Isabelle

Champion (13, 14x table - 80 questions) Zachery





Champion (14x table - 80 questions) Corey

Y5 Champion Bertie, Hugo, Marni & Lollie

Y6 Champion Harriet & Carter

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday.



# **FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY TEAM**



# PARENT WORKSHOPS

Helping children manage worries and anxiety.

Visyon's Family and Community Wellbeing
Team are pleased to offer an **8-week Parent Workshop Programme** which will provide
information, advice and strategies to empower
parents to effectively support their children,
with their worries and anxieties.

The Programme is available for Families of primary school age children, in Cheshire East and will be held at Visyon in Congleton for face-to-face delivery. If you would like to book a place on the Programme, please contact

lynne.fitton@visyon.org.uk, who will contact you with further details.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come basis.



Parent Workshops - Helping children manage anxiety.

- 27/04/2022 Parenting problems and difficult behaviors.
- 04/05/2022 Securing the parent/child bond.
- 11/05/2022 Understanding your child's anxiety.
- 18/05/2022 Using praise and rewards to build confidence.
- 25/05/2022 Setting limits on anxious children's behavior.
- 01/06/2022 NO SESSION DUE TO HALF TERM
- 08/06/2022 Managing children's worry.
- 15/06/2022 Managing difficult behavior.
- 22/06/2022 Review and celebration.

All 8 sessions need to be attended consecutively to complete the course and benefit from the learning techniques.

Each session will start at 11:00 am and finish at 12:15 pm.

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