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## DIARY DATES

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

15th September: Year 3 and 4 Baptism service at St Boniface  
 16th September: Forest Church Year 2  
 22nd September: Meet the teacher evening 3.30pm  
 28th September: Reception 2023 Open Day  
 7th October: Harvest Festival St Boniface 11am  
 10th October: Family photos with Academy  
 13th October: Scholastic Book Fair  
 18th October: Parents Evening 3.30 - 7pm  
 19th October: Reception 2023 Open Day  
 20th October: Parents Evening 3.30-7pm  
 21st October: Half Term  
 16th November: Nasal Flu Vaccinations  
 2nd December: Reindeer Run  
 6th December: KS1 Nativity pm  
 7th December: KS1 Nativity am  
 8th December: KS1 Nativity pm  
 14th December: KS2 Carol Concert St Boniface 6pm  
 16th December: Christmas Parties  
 16th December: End of term



Today we mourn the loss of a woman, our Queen who was never afraid to share her faith.

A stateswoman who served her country and the commonwealth with such dedication.

Most of all, a mother, a grandmother and great grandmother who will be dearly missed by her family and by people all around the world.

I am sure it will take a while to take in this news, and as a school family we pray for King Charles III, his wife and his family.

May Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II rest in peace.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I wanted to say a huge thank you for all your support this week at the start of the new academic year. It has been a genuine pleasure to welcome all the children back into school and also welcome some new families into Bunbury. As well as our new reception children we welcome: Sophia, Isabella and Finley in Year 1, Evelyn and Ezra in Year 3, Isla, Gemma and Arlo in Year 5 and Harry in Year 6.

We hope you have enjoyed your first few days with us at Bunbury.

The children are all happy to be back in class and there is a buzz and excitement in all the rooms. As I walk around the corridors I am lifted seeing my colleagues doing what they do best - teaching your children. We have had a fantastic week seeing all the children return and start to get back into routines and re-connect with their teachers and classmates. Their behaviour has been exemplary and everyone has very quickly settled back into school after the summer holidays.

As always the Bunbury teachers are providing a rich and stimulating curriculum for the children which is inspiring our children to engage 100% with their learning. Our theme this term is a geography based theme around the book 'Lots'. More information about our curriculum and how it has been developed can be found on our school website on our curriculum and class pages.

<http://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/classes>

<http://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/curriculum/57302>

As you will see from our diary section there are a number of dates already for the autumn term. Over the weeks these will be added to and any new events will always appear in **red**.

I would like to draw your attention to a few events taking place in the forthcoming weeks:

### Meet the teacher evening on Thursday 22nd September

An opportunity to meet your child's teacher and learn a little more about the year ahead, where to find information about the class and ask any questions. Meetings will take place at the following times and all presentations will be shared on the class webpage for those who are unable to attend

Year 1: 3.30 - 3.50

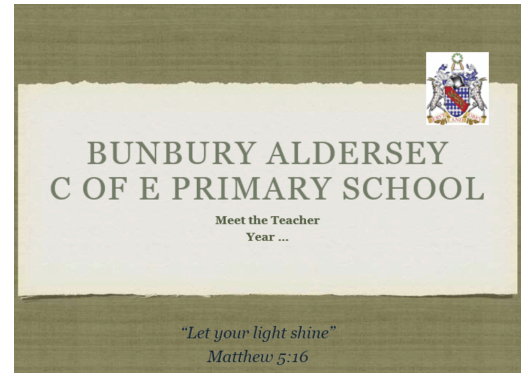
Year 2: 3.50 - 4.10

Year 3: 4.10 - 4.30

Year 4: 4.30 - 4.50

Year 5: 4.50 - 5.10

Year 6: 5.10 - 5.30



**For children in reception we will be having a more detailed meeting on Thursday 29th September at 4pm.**

We look forward to welcoming you all into school to hear more about the year ahead.

### Harvest Service on Friday 7th October 11am at St Boniface Church

Our Harvest Festival Service will be held at St Boniface Church on Friday 7th October at 11am. All parents, carers and relatives are invited to attend should you wish to.



### Open Days

We have two planned Open Days for Reception 2023 Starters on

**Wednesday 28th September**

**Wednesday 19th October**

If you would like to book a tour on these days please call or email the school office.

We are also able to accommodate tours for those moving to the area or wanting to make an in year transfer. Currently we have spaces in: Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6.

### Parents Evenings

Parents evenings for all children will take place on **Tuesday 18th October** and **Thursday 20th October**. We are very aware that for the past 2 years these have taken place online due to the restrictions around Covid.

We are now looking at how we move forward with these appointments as we are aware that an online appointment may have suited some parents more. Over the next few weeks a parent survey will be coming out to collect your views on how we conduct parents evenings moving forward. The options could be:

- remain online for all parents evening meetings
- return to all parents evening meetings face to face
- offer a night of online and a night of face to face so that all circumstances can be catered for



## Bunbury Primary School Sporting News



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.

### **Autumn 2022 Fixtures:**

Date	Sport/Year	Venue/Time
Thurs 15th Sept	y3/4 tag rugby	4-5:30pm field
Thurs 6th Oct	y5/6 tag rugby	4-5:30pm field
Thurs 13th Oct	y4/5/6 cross country	4-5:15pm field
Thurs 20th Oct	y1/2/3 cross country	4-5:15pm field



### **Snack Increase**

**Please note that from Monday 12th September all snack items will be priced at 30p per item.**

**Snack can be purchased at break time from the school kitchen.**

### Car Parking

As we have all returned back to school I am very mindful of the parking situation once more outside school. Please can I encourage, where possible, all children to either walk or cycle to school and that this message is shared within your families for all those responsible for dropping off or collecting children from school.

Where children need to be travelling by car please can I ask that you park considerately around the surrounding area for example by:

- **not blocking residents driveways**
- **not parking on the pavement**
- **not parking on corners of roads**
- **not parking in areas where it makes it difficult for children to cross or forces them to walk on the road.**
- **not parking opposite the school entrance or zig zag lines**
- **not parking in the minibus zone unless displaying a disability badge**

Unfortunately we have already had examples of inconsiderate parking this week and as I have done previously I will be sharing examples of this on our newsletter.

## Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

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

### Thankfulness Award

- YR - Rae - for always being thankful and saying thank you
- Y1 - Sam for showing thankfulness to Sophie for his Spag Bol!
- Y2 - Jack M for showing thankfulness with beautiful manners
- Y3 - Ruby for being thankful for all her learning this week
- Y4 - Martha for her impeccable manners and always showing thankfulness
- Y5 - Jacob WM for showing thankfulness by saying than you at the end of the day
- Y6 - Harriet for showing thankfulness throughout the first week back

### Headteacher Award

- YR - Isaac for being a wonderful helper
- Y1 - Ralph for a brilliant start to Year 1. Keep it up!
- Y2 - Edie for her brilliant Aboriginal inspired artwork
- Y3 - Tobias for outstanding progress in reading
- Y4 - Cassian for his knowledge on the classification of animals.
- Y5 - Elliot for his hard work at the start of a new year
- Y6 - Florence for her incredible reading



Have a lovely weekend from all of the Bunbury Team and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday.

Nic Badger



## PTA News

As you will be aware of Bunbury school PTA (Parents and Teachers association) provide a much-needed extra source of income in school.

Over the years they have funded projects such as the Daily Mile running path, Reading Shed, transport for Theatre trips, I Pads and so much more. Most recently our PTA funded the outdoor classroom resource which I know is loved and used by all of our children.

Our current team are looking to leave their roles after 3 successful years of fundraising in which they have raised £15,000 to support school projects. I know as a school we are incredibly grateful of their herculean efforts, particularly during Covid when the normal fundraising activities were not permitted. They do however leave a fantastic legacy with the provision and resources they have enabled us to provide.

As a school, we are very much dependent on PTA funds to ensure that we can provide the best possible provision for the children of Bunbury school. I am therefore writing to ask for new volunteers for the next academic year to support our school projects.

We have a number of planned projects and would very much like a new team to help us raise money to fund these. We are open to new fundraising ideas and school events and would welcome mums, dads and grandparents onto our PTA team.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our PTA from September, please contact Mrs Badger on [principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk).

**Our Annual AGM where we would love to welcome new members to our team will be held at school on MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER at 6pm. All are welcome to attend.**

Many thanks for your continued support



