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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

- 24 Mar - Green Team Cake Sale
- 30 Mar - Easter Service at St.Boniface, 11am
- 30 Mar - Y4&Y5 residential meeting, 3.30pm
- 31 Mar - Y1 Beeston Castle trip
- 03-14 Apr - Easter holiday
- 19-21 Apr Y4 & Y5 Residential Trip
- 24 Apr - Science Week
- 24 Apr - Swimming pool onsite for lessons
- 27 Apr - Bag2School collection, 9am
- 01 May - bank holiday
- 02 May - Academy Photography, classes & Y6 leavers photos
- 04 May - PC Cornall Parent online safety coffee morning, 9am in school
- 05 May - Coronation Playground street party (red, white and blue theme)
- 08 May - bank holiday (Kings coronation)
- 12 May - Red Team Cake Sale
- 29-02 Jun - Half term holiday
- 05 Jun - INSET day
- 13 Jun - YR,Y1,Y2 Musical Stories Concert
- 15 Jun - Y4 Bridgewater Hall Trip
- 17 Jun - Bunbury Village Day
- 22 Jun - Scholastic Book Fair arrives!
- 28 Jun - Sports Day
- 29 Jun - Reserve Sports Day
- 03 Jul - School Fest week
- 07 Jul - Blue Team Cake Sale
- 10 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service Trip
- 19 Jul - Last day of term



“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”

Thessalonians 5:11

Dear Parents and carers

Another busy week in school has passed and learning has been as always - engaging, inspiring and most of all fun for our children.

It is always fantastic to see history coming to life through our classroom activities and this week Year 1 and Year 3 have had the opportunity to do just so. On Thursday Year 1 made medieval potage. I'm not sure it will make it onto the school lunch menu but I know they thoroughly enjoyed learning to chop the ingredients and then eat the final product.



Year 3 also enjoyed a Stone Age workshop on Wednesday. During the day the children were treated to a living history session in the morning where they were able to handle tools, furs and artefacts. In the afternoon the children explored flint tips and made fat lamps out of clay. Despite not being able to visit the site physically the children still experienced a fantastic day with Dan the Stone Age Man!



Parent council

Our parent council are a group of parents who represent the parent body within their child's class and hold regular meeting with Mrs Badger. The meetings are held half termly after school for about 45 mins via zoom. During the meeting questions from the parent body can be raised to clear any confusions or add clarity to things taking place in school, it is also a fantastic opportunity to raise with school any positives which can often go unheard.

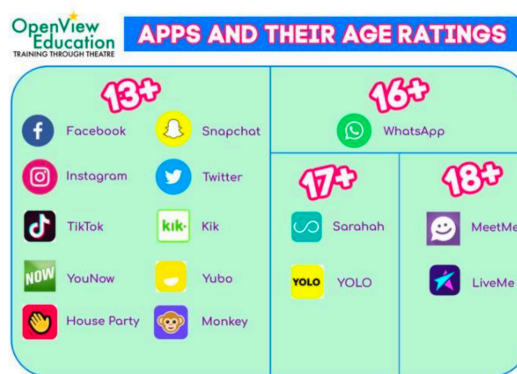
We are currently looking for 2 representatives from our parent class to join our parent council team. Should you be interested in taking on this role please contact Mrs Badger on principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

Online Safety Parent meeting 9am Thursday 4th May

I am aware that a number of our children have their own mobile phone and devices and I am conscious that nowadays most children have these at an earlier age than previously. However with the owning of such devices comes the responsibility of using it appropriately and with respect to others.

It is clearly not school's decision as to when a child is given a mobile phone nor our responsibility as to what APPS the children are using. I do draw your attention however to the APPS and their Age ratings graphic below.

Unfortunately, we do often see issues from irresponsible use of mobile phones coming back into school along with a lack of understanding and appreciation as to how to use a mobile phone responsibly. This lack of understanding can leave our children extremely vulnerable to their peers and online predators. Difficulties can take the form of comments made on social media after school hours, inappropriate messaging, photos and sexting and can lead to much more distressing scenarios developing.



To support parents and help them navigate their way through this new online world our children are part of I have organised a parent session with PC Andrew Cornall on **Thursday 4th May** in the school hall. Timings are to be confirmed but it is likely that the session will start at 9am so that parents can come into school straight after dropping children off.

A further letter will be sent out after the Easter holidays asking parents to confirm their attendance should they wish to at this event.

Take away homework reminder

Next week yellow homework books need to be returned to school so that teachers can sign these over the Easter holidays. These will then be returned the first week back of the new summer term. Takeaway homework also needs to be brought into school next week on with **Takeaway homework celebration day on: Wednesday 29th March**. We look forward to seeing the projects and pieces of work the children have created.

Parking

Parking continues to be a concern at the end of the day in particular. This is always exacerbated by any wet, cold and windy weather when more people arrive to collect by car. Please can I ask that we continue to be mindful or safe and considerate parking when dropping off and collecting children. I am mindful that this is not a problem just specific to our school and am always looking at solutions and ideas to help ease the situation. I am planning to start a working party so that school and parents can we collaboratively to find solutions to parking at these busy times. If anyone is interested in joining this please don't hesitate to contact me on:

principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

We have had a number of people parking recently in our dedicated school bus parking space. Please can this be used by the bus only so that we can ensure the children can be dropped off and safely collected from school. I am also mindful that some children are collected by Grandparents so ask that this message is shared with all who collect children from school.

School Attendance

As a trust we set out attendance at an expected 95% for pupils and it is fantastic to see that we currently have 96% attendance as a school. However, there are a number of pupils whose attendance does fall below this expected standard and parents will be notified should this be the case.

We often experience an increased number of requests for holidays during term time, particularly during the summer months. Please note that unfortunately most of these will be classed as unauthorised unless there are exceptional circumstances surrounding the absence. In this instance, we have a duty to report the absence to the local authority who may choose to issue a fixed penalty notice.

We understand that there will be times when absence is unavoidable and acceptable. Each absence is classed as authorised or unauthorised. Absences are coded as authorised where reasons are considered valid and unauthorised where no explanation or unacceptable reasons are given. Attendance is monitored every half term in school with specific scrutiny of number of days missed as well as patterns to absences - e.g every Monday/Friday or children within the same family being absent at the same time. Whilst we appreciate these circumstances could be entirely legitimate they are often flagged.

The following reasons are for example not acceptable:

- shopping visits
- hair cuts
- care for family members
- days out
- holidays taken in term time (including long weekends taken on Fridays and / or Mondays)
- parental illness
- sleeping in / missing school transport
- birthdays or birthday treats

Every term I carry out a check of attendance across the school and should your child's absence fall below the expected 95% you may receive a letter outlining the expectations we have around attendance. Should this continue to show no improvement you will then be invited to an attendance meeting in school. We do appreciate that children get poorly and need to take time off school. However, I am sure you all support that term time absence has an undoubted negative impact on a child's learning and through the remaining part of the school year we would ask that any absences are kept to a minimum.

What the law says about school attendance: The law requires all children between the ages of 5 and 16 to be in full time education. Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 it is the duty of the parent/carer of a child of compulsory school age to ensure that they attend school regularly.

Supervision Order Children's Act 1989: The local authority can apply to the courts where attendance remains poor. A named education supervisor would be appointed to work with the family for up to 12 months to ensure the young person receives full time education.

School Attendance Order Education Act 1996: If this is issued; parents would be directed to register their child at a school named by the local authority. A warning letter can be issued when a pupil has had 10 or more unauthorised absences from school. The warning letter gives parents a period of 15 days of monitoring. If at the end of this period if there has not been an improvement or an improvement has been made but not sustained, a Penalty Notice will be issued.

Families who take their children out of school for holiday within term time, or for other

unauthorised absences exceeding 10 sessions (5 days). A Penalty Notice will be issued.

Penalty Notice: Each parent/carer would have to pay £60.00 per child. If this is not paid within 21 days, the payment increases to £120.00 per child per parent. Payments will not be accepted after 28 days. If parents do not pay, the Local Authority will prosecute in the Magistrates' Court. If convicted the parent will have a criminal record and may receive a fine of up to £1000. The department for Education have a range of information available regarding attendance.



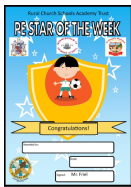
Sporting News



Yesterday a team of children from Year 5 and Year 6 represented the school in a football tournament at Tarporley High School. A huge thank you to Mr Friel for supervising the team after school. I am delighted to report that the team were recognised for their fantastic behaviour and superb team spirit. Well done to our year 5 and 6 representatives!

PE Award

This weeks PE award goes to **Lillian in Reception Class** for always trying her hardest in PE



Spring term b sporting fixtures at Tarporley High School

Year 5/6 girls football 23rd March

Year 5/6 hockey 30th March

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 : Justice. 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 - Ffion for always being a kind friend to others

Y1 - Ada for her respectful and positive attitude everyday!

Y2 - Mya for showing compassion when another child was hurt

Y3 - Tobias for showing thankfulness for his learning this week

Y4 - Harry for this perseverance with his Roman clay pot! Well done Harry!

Y5 - George for being kind and caring towards others



Y6 - Emily G and Finley for generously giving their time to make a birthday card for Mrs walker

Headteacher Award

YR - Lewis for amazing his class teachers with his writing about Mary Anning

Y1 - Izzie for working so hard in maths and phonics this week

Y2 - Ruby for always being a superstar

Y3 - Theo for his brilliant and interesting questions for Dan - the Stone Age man, during our workshop

Y4 - William Buc for his brilliant ideas and language in English this week

Y5 - Alfie for his great listening in Maths and attitude to learning

Y6 - Esme for always giving 100% and rising to the challenge in Y6



Mathletics Awards

YR Bronze Amelia (x2) & Arlo

Y1 Bronze Ivy, Poppy & Lucy

Silver Ivy

Gold Aelwen & Isobel

Y2 Bronze Aaron, Jack Morg, JP & Bertie

Silver Jack Morg

Y3 Bronze Theo, Tom, Freya, Archie & Chloe

Silver Tom & Freya

Gold Freya

Y4 Bronze Tristan

Y5 Bronze Isabelle, Gemma, Corey, Isla, Alex (x2), Seb & Elise

Silver Isla, Alex, Seb & Elise

Gold Elise

Y6 Bronze Esme (x2) & Amelia

Times Tables

Y4 Bronze Ella C, Heidi, Zac & Noah

Champ 13,14xtable 99q - Seb

Y5 Champ x13 Isla, x15 Rose & William

Y6 Gold Alexander

Champ Hugo & Emily H

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

Nic Badger

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PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).



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We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
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 (No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

*The more we weigh the more we pay!
 Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

Please return your Bag2School on:

Thursday 27th April 2023 by 9am

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TARPORLEY BULLS
Basketball Club

Mondays Tarporley High School
 Y5 & Y6 5:30 - 6:30
 Y7 & Y8 6:30 - 7:30
 £6 per session

NEW limited spaces available
 email tarporleybulls@gmail.com
 Basketball England qualified coaching
 Fully DBS checked
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EASTER 2023 SOCCER CAMP DATES





Monday 3rd, Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th April (School years 2-7)



9.15am – 3.00pm



Bunbury playing fields/pavilion



£25 per day, £40 for 2 days, £60 for 3 days

Places are limited so if you would like to book then please get in touch at: dtsoccercamp@gmail.com



WALKING FOOTBALL

RETURNS TO NANTWICH TOWN



START DATE:

TUESDAY 11TH APRIL | 17:00 - 18:00

WHERE:

APPLEWOOD INDEPENDENT ARENA 3G PITCH

WHO:

SESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO MALES AND FEMALE OF ALL FOOTBALLING ABILITIES



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