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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 [admin](mailto:admin@bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk) if you would like to attend.

[Click here to view our LUNCH MENU](#)

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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,

I hope everyone is keeping well and staying safe during these difficult times - I can't believe we are now entering week 8 of our national lockdown. In many ways it feels like 5 minutes since we were all in school together in March but for many I know the weeks maybe becoming increasingly more difficult.

I know we are all working hard at school to keep everyone together as a school community through all our forms of communication. However, I know that some of you out there will be needing some more support. Please don't hesitate to contact us should you need anything further - remember we are here for you as parents just as much as your children during the period of closure. I want to make sure everyone is ok during this time, so if you need us please email me on

principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

I continue to be amazed with everything you are doing behind closed doors. It has been fantastic to see how each of you are approaching the lockdown and I am overwhelmed by all your photos, messages and emails sharing what you have been doing to fill your time.

There has been a lot said about what parents should/ shouldn't be doing. As a school we want to make sure

that you are not being too hard on yourselves or the wonderful children of Bunbury school. We will continue to provide you with work and links for activities to complete but we do not and will not expect you to force the children to complete all of these or expect them to be handed in (although we do enjoy seeing pictures on our padlet).

Your main job as a parent is to make sure the children are feeling safe and loved during this difficult time. If you manage to do this they will return to school in a good place to continue with their learning journey, learn new skills and make progress. Please don't spend too much time working and certainly don't allow it to cause extra pressure or anxiety at home. Spend time with them, bake a cake, read a book, play in the garden or learn a new skill. Do some work but not too much. When children look back on this in 5 years time, they won't remember the work you struggled to get them to do, but they will remember the time you gave them with extra cuddles and love.

The Padlet has been used extensively again this week and it has been a joy to look at the posts. As we have had so many posts the system is working a little slowly at present so I will be asking all teachers to clear the current posts on their pages so far so that we can hopefully speed up posting for you.

I was delighted to receive so many photos of what you are doing to keep you happy and have now asked the teachers to send me their photos too. I look forward to being able to share the video with you early next week. Keep on smiling Bunbury.

"Happiness is not out there, it's in you."

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 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.

The weather has continued to shine and we have enjoyed plenty of outside learning and activity from gardening to sports. There was even time for a sneaky water fight and this time Mrs Badger managed to stay dry!



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 8 OPENING (11th May – 15th May)

	Mon 11 th 8-6	Tue 12 th 8-6	Wed 13 th 8-6	Thu 14 th 8-6	Fri 15 th 8-6
Teacher 1	Sam D	Charlotte T	Katherine C	Nikki S	Jo Gabriel
Teacher 2	Charlotte H	Gillian CM	Frances	Elaine C	Collette W

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**.

We have also added weekly themes for home worship with resources and activities to support each theme.

This weeks theme is: ***Joy, peace and hope.***

This week we are also adding resources under a Rights respecting schools and global learning page which can be found under the school closure tab on our webpage.

At the beginning of the week I wrote to you all informing you about the school subscription to White Rose which you may have been following on our class closure pages for your daily maths tasks. This week you may have seen a message when logging onto White Rose maths that their free resources will end week beginning 11th May. We have, as a school purchased a years subscription to White Rose so that we can continue to provide you with good quality maths tasks for the remainder of the closure. There is no need at this point for you as parents to subscribe to the resource as this will be provided by the school for continuity of learning for our children.

Teachers will continue to post White Rose Maths alongside all the other work we have set out on the school website. From Monday 11th May you will be able to download the units from the schools website on the class closure pages. Please see our class pages under the school closure tab for all home learning and white rose resources. There is also TT Rock Stars, Oxford reading and Purple Mash to keep you all busy.

There have been lots of fantastic examples of home learning being completed this week which I have been able to see using our Padlet. This week however I want to share with you a poem which was written by Isabella in year 6.

The Day The World Stopped

The day the world stopped was the day school ended

And if we returned, well that depended.

The world was in isolation

And we all needed some motivation.

Joe Wicks gave us PE drills

While Steve Backshall shared his nature skills.

Others started Facetiming, writing and singing
So our phones were constantly pinging and ringing.

Because schools were on a temporary break
Our parents tried hard to keep our minds awake.

Some businesses had to close their doors
While food suppliers battled trading wars.

Because our fridges were starting to run bare
The supermarkets just had to be fair.

We worried about the elderly getting the infection
So our NHS worked tirelessly to give the most protection.

This all happened in just one day
In our houses we were told to stay.

Mrs Badgers Home Learning Headteacher Award

Well done all the children listed below:

YR - Daisy for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
YR - Ruby for a real positive attitude to her learning at home
YR - Frankie for a real positive attitude to her learning at home
Y1 - William for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
Y1 - Tristan for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
Y6 - Tom for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
Y6 - Isabella for her fantastic 'Lockdown' poem
Y6 - Jacob for his fantastic Penguin artwork which he kindly gave to Mrs Badger



VE Day Celebration

Today, Britain will be celebrating VE Day (Victory in Europe) which marks the end of World War II. Although we can't be together to celebrate this event, we have still marked the event as best we can in our provision and in our homes. Yesterday I made a VE party in a box complete with bunting and balloons with my little boy Joseph. We delivered this to his Grandma and Grandad, who currently are locked down in their house, so that they could celebrate VE Day in their garden.



Thank you to everyone who have shared their VE day photos so far, I look forward to seeing more ways in which you all celebrated next week. Please either post these on **padlet** or email me at principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk

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.

Our new school Padlet is now up and running and is a safe way for children to share what they have been up to over the week. It has been so lovely to see other children commenting of their peers activities and adventures this week.

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.

Reopening

There continues to be speculation in the main stream press about when schools will re-open. I will be guided by the Department for Education and let the school community know of any changes as soon as I have some confirmed information. This will be communicated to all parents via email as and when needed. Please be reassured that the school will only open to the majority when it is safe to do so for both pupils and staff. Their welfare is and always has been my number 1 priority.

For now, school remains 'closed' but for child-care of Corona Critical key workers.

Finally I want to again 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.

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.

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.

N M Badger

Child Safety Online: A practical guide for parents and carers whose children are using social media

Social networking is hugely popular. Many young people are sophisticated in the way they use social media apps and websites, tailoring their communication for different audiences, and accessing them from a range of devices including smartphones, tablets, and games consoles.

But social media, like all forms of public communication, comes with some risks. Not all of these risks turn into actual problems; and if children never face any risks, they never learn how to deal with them. By helping your child understand what the risks are, you can play a big part in preventing them from turning into problems.

Why children use social media



Understand the risks children may need to deal with

What they could see or do:

- Seeing or sharing of violent, sexual and pornographic content
- Inaccurate or false information and extreme views
- Promotion of harmful behaviours including self-harm, anorexia and suicide
- Over-sharing of personal information
- Actively or unintentionally getting involved in bullying or hurtful behaviour

Who they might meet:

- People who might bully, intimidate or frighten
- People posing behind fake profiles for:
 - Mischief-making
 - Sexual grooming and stalking
 - Blackmail and extortion
 - Identity theft and hacking

How this could affect them

- Fear of missing out leading to excessive use or exaggeration
- Getting upset by things they have seen and being uncertain about what to do
- Engaging, or being pressured into engaging in more risky behaviour either by accident or by design
- Developing unrealistic, and perhaps depressing ideals of body image and gender
- Becoming subject to peer pressure or interactions that are intense or too difficult to handle
- Creating an online reputation that may create problems for them in the future

Practical tips to help minimise the risks your child might face

It's good practice for apps and websites to have safety advice and well-designed safety features which can make a real difference to how safe your child will be when using them.

Work through safety and privacy features on the apps that your child is using, or might use. Make sure they understand the point of these and how to use them. Don't be put off by believing your child knows more than you: the tools are actually quite easy to manage.

- **Ask them to show you** which social media apps they use and what they like about them. Talk about how they use them and what makes them so engaging.
- **Explain** how you can use privacy settings to make sure only approved friends can see posts & images.
- **Check if any of their apps have 'geo-location'** enabled, sharing their location unintentionally.
- **Show them how to report offensive comments** or block people who upset them.
- **Check 'tagging' settings** so that when others are posting or sharing photos online, your child's identity is not revealed. Also, get people's consent before sharing photos.
- Encourage your child to **come and talk to you** if they see anything that upsets them.

Keep talking and stay involved

In a mobile age, children can't be completely protected, even by the best privacy controls; another child may use different settings. So it's important to keep talking to your child about the implications of social media. Getting a sense of what they think is a useful place to start; you may be surprised by how much thought they may have given to the issues.

Encourage your child to think carefully about the way they, and others behave online, and how they might deal with difficult situations.

- People may **not always be who they say they are** online: how can this create problems?
- Why is it **unwise to meet** anyone in the real world that you've only ever met online?
- Even if you think your messages are private, remember that words and images can always be **captured and broadcast**.
- People **present themselves differently online** - do they really look like that? Are they always having that good a time?
- Be aware that screens, and especially being anonymous, can lead people to say things they **wouldn't say to someone's face**.
- What does **being a good friend and a likeable person** online look like?
- There can be **pressure to be part of a particular group** online or to be seen to be **following a certain set of ideas**. How can you take a step back and make your own decisions?

For more information

You can find out more about how children use social media, the apps they use, the risks they face, how to use privacy settings, and advice and tips about how to talk to your children at:

- www.childnet.com/sns
- www.internetmatters.org
- www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety
- www.parentzone.org.uk
- www.thinkyouknow.co.uk/parents
- www.askaboutgames.com

To make a report

Concerned about online grooming or sexual behaviour online? Contact CEOP: www.ceop.police.uk

If you stumble across criminal sexual or obscene content on the internet you should report it to the Internet Watch Foundation: www.iwf.org.uk

Advice Line Children & Young People

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



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NHS Foundation Trust



**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 Mon to Fri
12pm – 8pm Weekends**

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