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#### **DIARY DATES**

11 Oct - Academy Photography: Families,
siblings & individuals
13 Oct - Open Day for Reception 2022
18 Oct - Open Day for Reception 2022
20 Oct - Parents Evening Online
21 Oct - Parents Evening Online
01 Nov - INSET DAY
17 Nov - Open Day for Reception 2022
01 Dec - Sponsored Reindeer Run
07 Dec - Y6 Safety Central Trip
07 Dec - Rec & KS1 Nativity for Reception
parents, 1.30pm
08 Dec - Rec & KS1 Nativity for Year 1
parents, 1.30pm
09 Dec - Rec & KS1 Nativity for Year 2
parents, 1.30pm
10 Dec - Christmas jumper day
10 Dec - Christmas lunch
15 Dec - KS2 Carol concert at St. Boniface
Church, 6pm
17 Dec - Christmas parties
Please view our school calendar on our website for up to date
information: www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/events
Friday Celebration Assembly is now held virtually for all
<u>pupils</u>

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Throughout this half term the children we have been thinking about Generosity through our weekly worships.

Harvest is a time to reflect on God's generous goodness in his gift to us of creation. From the beginning of September to early October, Christians focus on creation and the responsibility they have for the stewardship of the earth. In the Lords Prayer the words, "give us this day our daily bread" acknowledge our

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independence on God's generosity

to supply our needs. Known as

, it is the time to thank him for all that he has created.



'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' Isaiah 40:31



#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week has passed by in school and we all continue to be enjoying our learning. Today we celebrated Harvest in school with our Harvest Festival. Unfortunately we were still virtual with our service but that did not stop our children singing, sharing and presenting their work on what 'Generosity' means to them with 100 parents/carers on Zoom.





At the time of harvest, it's good to think about what sort of harvest we're producing for ourselves and to remember to be thankful to God for all his gifts to us and to the earth.

Today each of our classes shared their thinking about what generosity means to them. As we emerge from these uncertain times, we have been thinking about being generous: by loving others as we love

ourselves, giving cheerfully, caring for creation and giving our time.

A huge thank you to the staff and pupils who all worked so hard to share their thoughts during our Harvest worship and for all the donations we have received for Nantwich Foodbank.

This week I received a wonderful letter from one of our Year 6 pupils, Mia. Mia expressed a strong desire to want to take action in school to make us even more eco-friendly. She sent me various suggestions

and facts from

Newspapers as to why we

should be taking more action. As a result of Mia's words we have now founded our own eco-committee. It seemed only right that Mia should be chair of this committee. Together with William, Rueben, Scarlett and Harriet we are going to plan activities and eco events through the year to aid

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learning but also make Bunbury school even more eco friendly. If you feel you have any skills or



knowledge in this area and would like to support our group of children please don't hesitate to contact the school.



We continue to offer a broad and balanced curriculum in school. Despite the fact that some places are not functioning as they were pre-covid this has not stopped the teaching staff at Bunbury sourcing rich learning experiences to enhance our curriculum. Over

sessions, Year 3 have been participating in live online workshops delivered by the British Museum London to support their learning about ancient civilisations including the Indus Valley and Ancient Egypt.





This week we have also been celebrating Black History Month in school which began on 4th October. As part of our worship on Monday we talked about some influential black people in history beginning with Mary Seacole. We discussed with the children how people have often been unkind to black people because of their skin colour. We explored how Mary Seacole had overcome the unkind words and followed her dream to

help people by self funding her way to become a nurse. Over the nuing our work on Black History month as well as focusing in our RSHE on

next few weeks we will be continuing our work on Black History month as well as focusing in our RSHE on 'The Right to be Me.'



We are always inspired by those in our School family who want to raise money for good causes. This month Mrs Peters, a parent in school is raising money for Maggie's.

Maggie's is a charity that provides emotional, practical and social support to those living with cancer and their loved ones. Having this support makes an enormous difference to anyone diagnosed. Maggie's does not receive any government funding whatsoever and relies solely on charitable donations

#### Click Here for Gemma's Just Giving Page

#### Layers and Ventilation

One of the ways in which we are attempting to stop the spread of covid in school is to have good ventilation - as recommenced in the most recent DFE guidance. This means, as you will have no doubt noticed, having doors and windows open to allow for through flow of air. Effective ventilation removes stale air which may contain Covid-19 aerosols and brings in fresh air containing more oxygen, less carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$  and water vapour and fewer microbes.

Around about this time of year the heating kicks in and we are usually toasty warm. However, if we keep

windows and doors open the system will not run as efficiently and it may still be colder than usual. As we did last year I ask that you perhaps layer up with either an extra t-shirt under uniform and ensure jumpers/cardigans in school as well as coats. Or alternatively pupils may wear their **BUNBURY BLACK PE HOODY** over their uniform as an extra layer.

I will make sure that the children are comfortable to learn and will try to balance ventilation/heating as best as I can.

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

#### <u>Covid</u>

Covid is still circulating within our community and whilst I know we do now need to live with the virus and reduce any further disruption for our children I also wish to keep everyone as well as I possibly can. We will continue to operate with caution in school but not to the extent that it will effect the educational experience the children receive. After half term we will begin to look at holding a worship a week back in the school hall with all the children as I know this is something we have all missed within our Bunbury school family. We will though as always keep any decisions we take under review and have the right to withdraw these should the situation change. I am as always extremely grateful for your trust, patience and belief in the school as to how we continue operate.

The new guidance states: Pupils, staff and other adults should follow public health advice on when to selfisolate and what to do. They should not come into school if they have symptoms, have had a positive test result or other reasons requiring them to stay at home due to the risk of them passing on COVID-19 (for example, they are required to quarantine).

If anyone in school develops COVID-19 symptoms, however mild, they will be sent home and they should follow public health advice.

# We continue to ask that if any child is displaying symptoms of Covid 19 that a PCR test is taken asap.

There are 2 main COVID-19 tests:

• PCR tests – mainly for people with symptoms, they're sent to a lab to be checked and you get the result within a day or two

 rapid lateral flow tests – only for people who do not have symptoms, they give a result in 30 minutes using a device similar to a pregnancy test

### Whilst we understand that it is often easier to complete a LFT test if you or a member of your household is symptomatic, it is important that a more sensitive PCR test is taken, as this provides a more reliable indicator of any COVID infection.

# The LFT test identifies infection for a short window of peak infectiousness, whereas the PCR test can identify COVID infection at a lower threshold.

#### Guidance for households with confirmed or possible Covid 19 infections

In the event of a positive case, close contacts (including household members) are no longer required to isolate if:

- they are fully vaccinated
- they are below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Close contacts will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

Staff who do not need to isolate, and children and young people aged under 18 years 6 months who usually attend school, and have been identified as a close contact, should continue to attend school as normal. They do not need to wear a face covering within the school, but it is expected and recommended that these are worn when travelling on public or dedicated transport. School will continue to have a role in working with health protection teams in the case of any local outbreak.

If there is a substantial increase in the number of positive cases in school or if central government offers the area an enhanced response package, a director of public health might advise us to temporarily reintroduce additional measures. These may include reverting to bubbles, the wearing of face masks or increased testing. Whilst we are very much looking forward to a more 'normal' school year, we are also mindful that Covid 19 remains a serious health issue.

We would therefore urge you to remain vigilant of the symptoms and to not send your child into school if they are displaying any such symptoms. As a school, we will always be guided by national and local guidance and will advise you of any changes that result from any advice as soon as possible.

With young children we are aware that other symptoms such as hayfever type symptoms, sickness, stomach pains, sore throat, headache can be the first indication of COVID.

As part of our Covid response we will be continuing to inform you if there has been a child within a class who is being tested for **Covid 19** via text. All we ask is that you are more vigilant in watching for any symptoms in your child/children. Once we have received the results of the test we will only send out further communication should the test be positive.

# Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

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

Due to our Harvest Service, our weekly celebration worship will return next Friday along with our Christian Value and Star of the Week awards.





#### **Mathletics Awards**

- YR Bronze Rose & Elsie
- Y1 Bronze Bertie, JP & Edie
- Y2 Bronze Theo, Charlie, Sienna & Tobias
- Y3 Bronze Morgan, George, Rory, William & Ella W

Silver Morgan

- Y4 Bronze Charlotte, Emre, Alex, Corey, Freddie & WilliamSilver William
- Y5 Bronze William & Hollie
- Y6 Bronze Natalie, Harriet, Jack, Alyssa & Oscar
  - Silver Harriet & Jack

#### **Times Tables Awards**

- Y2 Gold (x2) Freya, Frankie, Ruby, Chloe & Annabelle
  Bronze (X5) Isla, Tobias & Primrose
  Gold (X5) Charlie
  - Gold (X10) Theo. Olivia, Marcie & Noah
- Y3 Bronze George
- Y4 Silver Isabelle
  - Gold Ted & George
- Y5 Gold Belle

#### Y6 Bronze Oscar

Silver Mia, William B, Alyssa & Harriet

Gold Charlie, Holly, Natalie & Finn

Keep smiling, stay strong and keep safe Bunbury.

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

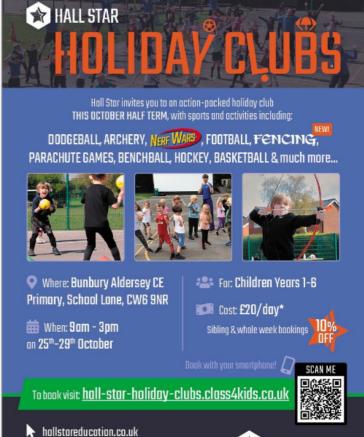
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### **PTA News**

#### 150 Club Draw

This months 150 club was drawn by our Y6 pupils. The winning number was 17, belonging to Richard Large - Congratulations!! You have won £40, please contact the PTA via pta@bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk to arrange collection of your winnings.





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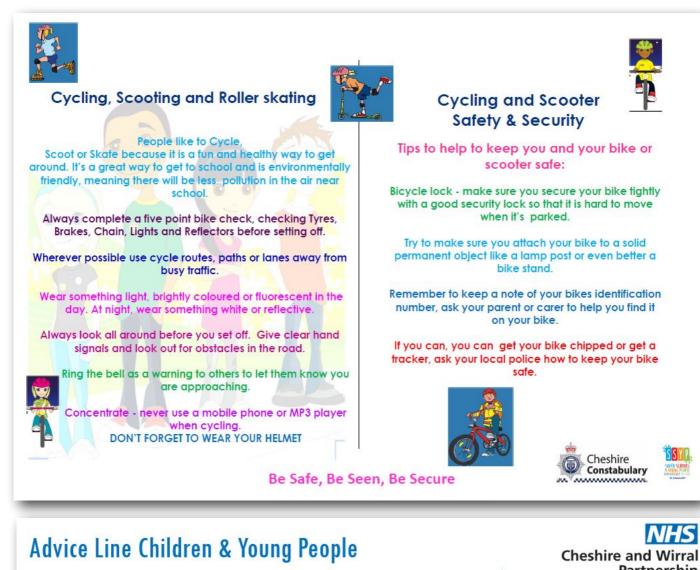
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### FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY TEAM



### PARENT WORKSHOPS

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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 in Cheshire East and will be held at Visyon in Congleton. 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.

- 22/09/2021 Parenting problems and difficult behaviors.
- 29/09/2021 Securing the parent/child bond.
- 06/10/2021 Understanding your child's anxiety.
- 13/10/2021 Using praise and rewards to build confidence.
- 20/10/2021 Setting limits on anxious children's behavior.
- 03/11/2021 Managing children's worry.
- 10/11/2021 Managing difficult behavior.
- 17/11/2021 Review and celebration.

Each session will start at 5 pm and finish at 6.15 pm.

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