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DIARY DATES

01 Jun - School re-opens to Rec, Y1 & Y6
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.

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Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone is continuing to keep well and stay safe during these difficult times. As we approach the end of the first half of the summer term and begin to enter a phase of beginning to re-open schools, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on the past two months. For our school community closing down on March 20th to the vast majority was one of the hardest things we have ever done. I know all the staff felt great sadness at having to say goodbye to their children far too early. Without a blueprint to follow I know schools have needed to find their way through this current crisis in their own way. As a school we have tried to keep our school community together whilst supporting our pupils and staff in the best way we believe in. Everyone has approached the lockdown in their own way and there is in my eyes, no right or wrong approach to educating your children at home, as long as you and your family are safe and well that is all that matters.

For some of you we may not have got it right but I know for the vast majority from your emails and messages that Bunbury Primary school has supported you and most importantly your children through the pandemic. I thank you all for your unwavering support over the past 2 months and I know staff have very much appreciated your supportive feedback and positive support. Working together during times such as these we can be stronger.



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.

You will all have heard the news this week for schools to re-open to reception, year 1 and year 6 on June 1st. This week I have written to the parents of these year groups outlining how this will begin to look at Bunbury. The RCSAT senior leadership team have been working hard this week to ensure the safety of all the staff and pupils at the trust and we look forward to providing all parents with further details and implications for the re-opening of schools at the start of next week.

I was delighted to receive so many photos of what you are doing to keep you happy and have received photos from the teachers too. The video has now been made and Mrs Badger is trying very hard to find a way of sharing it with you - it is a very big file! Since we have locked down, I have needed to learn lots of new IT skills including sharing large video files - it would be lovely to see what you and your children have learnt to do over the past few weeks.

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 again.



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 9 OPENING (18th May – 22nd May)

	Mon 18 th 8-6	Tue 19 th 8-6	Wed 20 th 8-6	Thu 21 st 8-6	Fri 22 nd 8-6
Teacher 1	Cath Smith	Sam D	Charlotte T	Katherine C	Nikki S
Teacher 2	Selina	Charlotte H	Gillian CM	Frances	Elaine C

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 continue to add weekly updates to the website including those for home worship.

This weeks theme is: **Goodness, faithfulness and friendship**

There have been lots of fantastic examples of home learning being completed this week which I have been able to see using our Padlet. The Padlet is a great way to share the work you are doing and keep in touch with your teachers. I know the teachers enjoy seeing what you are up and replying to all your comments, no matter what you have been up to it is all fantastic to see.

As you will be aware school re-opens to a small number of year groups from 1st June 2020. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to accept all children back just yet.

As a result of this announcement we will be altering our approach to home learning to bring it more in line with what those children who are attending will be doing in school. We hope that this will ensure those who remain at home are not missing out on the structure and learning packed into a school day as much as we possibly can.

Until now our approach for home learning **has not** been about ensuring that work given will keep children in line with each other. Nor about intense coverage of the curriculum as I know that this would not have been possible due to the different situations we are all in. We have provided work so that children could keep that love of learning alive in the core areas of learning of the past 7 weeks in whatever style you as parents decided to take.

What has been important is that you as parents have made your children feel safe and secure during this very uncertain time for them and whatever you have done with them will have been perfect. Please look out for more information at the start of next week in our school opening letter to all parents.

Mrs Badgers Home Learning Headteacher Award

Well done all the children listed below:

- Y1 - Martha for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
- Y3 - Hollie and Ella for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
- Y3 - Theo for making PPE visors for the NHS with his dad
- Y4 - Ted for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
- Y5 - Fleur for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge
- Y3/5 - Emlyn and Finley for their fundraising efforts
- Y5 - Poppy Mary for completing Mrs Badger's recycling challenge



Pupil Fundraising

I am always incredibly proud when our pupils decide to support our many worthy causes by organising their own fundraising events. Now more than ever raising money for charity is incredibly important.

Finley in Y5 and Emlyn in Y3 have set out to run a marathon to raise money for the NHS. They have been doing it in lots of runs because they were only allowed out to exercise once per day for an hour. So far they have run 20 miles between them, so only another 33 to go! If anyone in the school community would like to sponsor them or share their page so more people can help us raise money, that would be great. Please see their link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/emlynfinleymarathons>

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.

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



Bunbury ACE Celebrates VE Day

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)



Cheshire and Wirral
Partnership
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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