

#### **Diary Dates**

#### 16 Dec - Y4 Ancient Greek Day

- 16 Dec ASC bookings open, 7pm
  16 Dec Badgers bookings open for Spring term 1, 8pm
  17 Dec - KS2 Carol Concert, 6pm at St. Boniface
  18 Dec - Y3 Nantwich Museum Trip
  19 Dec - Christmas Parties
  20 Dec - INSET Day (no school)
  23 Dec - Christmas Holiday
  06 Jan - Return to School
  27 Jan - Y4 Level 1 Bikeability day 1
  27 Jan - Y5 Level 2 Bikeability day 2
  28 Jan - Y5 Level 2 Bikeability day 2
- 10 Feb Badgers bookings open for
- Spring term 2 24 Mar - Badgers bookings open for
- Summer term 1 19 May - Badgers bookings open for Spring term 2
- 25 Jun Y4/Y5 Residential (2 nights, 3 full days)

### Bunbury Aldersey Primary and Nursery School

Principal: Mrs Nicola Badger Deputy Principal: Mrs Charlotte Haydock



#### Dear Parents and carers

What a fantastic Christmas filled week we have had in school as we continue the countdown to this most special time of year.

#### This weeks news:

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon this week our Early Years and Key Stage One children performed their nativity, The Landlords Cat. As always it was a wonderful performance by our youngest children and for me is always the best part of Christmas in a school. This year our nursery children joined us - performing as stars whilst our reception children were a fantastic flock of sheep. Our Year 1 children took on the acting roles and performed the nativity story confidently to three very packed audiences. Finally our Year 2 Rock Stars sparkled their way through a musical masterpiece

to end our nativity play. As always I am incredibly proud of all the children and want to say a huge thank you to the staff team and parent helpers who worked tirelessly to put the performance together.















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13th December 2024

Today we supported Save the Children Christmas Jumper day in school and also enjoyed a very festive Christmas lunch served by our school kitchen staff. What a lovely end to the week

it has been for all and I know, we are all starting to feel a little more like Christmas after such a festive week in school.

Next week our KS2 children will lead a Carol Concert at St Boniface church at 6pm. All KS2 children are expected to attend in full school uniform and we look forward to welcoming you all to this very special family service.





#### **Staff News**

As you will be aware from previous correspondence we are unfortunately saying goodbye to Mr Clark at the end of this term. Despite only being with us for a short time Mr Clark is a much valued member of our school team and we wish him well as he takes up a full time teaching post. Following interviews at the beginning of the week I am pleased to say that Mr Paul Robinson will be joining our teaching team from January 2025. Mr Robinson will continue with the teaching of Forest Schools across the school from Nursery to Year 6 as well as teaching Year 4 on a Friday afternoon.

We will also be saying goodbye to Mrs Williams Goodman who works within our nursery. Mrs Williams Goodman will be leaving to take a change in career and we wish her well with her career move. We are currently in the process of interviewing and recruiting a new full time member of staff to our nursery team and once appointed will take delight in announcing them as part of our team.

#### **Mobile and Internet Safety**

As Christmas is approaching and a number of children may be requesting or gifted devices as presents I just want to draw your attention to keeping children safe online through the use of phones and tablets. As you will be aware from communications this half term we have a number of parents at school who support the Smartphone Free Childhood movement. Whilst I appreciate that I am not in a position to tell parents what they can or cannot do regarding the purchasing of such technology I do wish to draw your attention to some of the issues that can arise from children having access to devices at such a young age.

Having completed parent surveys for Smartphone Free Childhood earlier this term the survey results indicated there was majority support for a parent-led, voluntary pact to delay giving smartphones to our children. This pact is ultimately symbolic and nobody will be held to it if they change their minds at a later date, but it's a great way for those who want to act collectively to eliminate the peer pressure their child feels to get a smartphone.

Should you wish to join the pact please follow the link below <u>https://cheshireparentpact.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk</u>

We are currently the second highest school in Cheshire with 66 pacts signed to support a Smartphone Free Childhood. Many thanks for your support.

In January we will be running a parent workshop which all parents and carers are able to attend to support with safer internet/ mobile phone use. The workshop will be run by PC Andrew Cornall on Friday 17th January 2025 at 9am and is certainly worth attending as a parent or carer of young children.

Should parents wish to find out any further information about how we teach online safety in school as well as further information for supporting this at home please visit our school webpage on E Safety.

https://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/e-safety/38178

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## 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 : Trust. 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 Jack for the kindness he shows to all
- Y1 Edie for being brave and helping others with lines
- Y2 Oliver for his kindness with the Christmas lights
- Y3 Ralph for being kind and a great friend always
- Y4 Harvey for always showing kindness to all
- Y5 All of Year 5 for being amazing buddies at the Theatre
- Y6 Seb for always being thankful

#### Star of the Week Award

- YR All of reception for their fantastic listening at the Theatre
- Y1 All of Year 1 for being amazing in the Nativity
- Y2 All of Year 2 for being the best rock stars in our Nativity
- Y3 Aelwen for being a great class role model
- Y4 Arthur for his excellent effort with poetry this week
- Y5 Isla for her fantastic attempt at the 'Golden Pen' story this week
- Y6 William T for his wonderful piece of writing



#### **PE Award**

This weeks PE award goes to **Arthur in Year 2** for some brilliant throwing and catching skills this week!

#### **Times Tables Awards**

Y4 - Finley, Harvey, Edie, Ollie, Ruby, Charlie

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday morning. Please remember gates will shut promptly at 8.45am.

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### Supporting Neurodivergent Children at Christmas

To find out more, please follow the link below:

https://family-action.org.uk/self-help/supporting-neurodivergent-children-atchristmas/

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Bunbury Cubs (age 8-10) & Scouts (age 10.5-14) Monday 6.30-8pm

> Bunbury Beavers (age 6-8) Tuesday 6-7pm

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**causes** where you can select the group. Alternatively, if you have the Coop App on your smartphone then click on "Community" on the home page and choose the group there.
Activities at Bunbury Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, this term have included camping, cooking, map making and astronomy as well as lots of seasonal activities around Halloween, Remembrance and Christmas and of course lots of fun and games!
Cubs (aged 8 - 10) and Scouts (aged10.5 - 14) meet on Mondays evenings from 6.30 - 8pm and Beavers (aged 6 - 9) meet on Tuesday evenings from 6 -7pm For more info message Group Scout Leader, Andrew Fairclough on 07976 363 056 #Bunbury #Scouts #Fun #Skills #Challenges #Friends #Coop #Support #Community



## LEGO AND BOARD GAMES CLUB

AT ACTON PARISH HALL, ACTON, NANTWICH, CW5 8LE Saturday 18th January 2025 9:30-11am Saturday 25th January 2025 9:30-11am Saturday 1st February 2025 9:30-11am Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2025 9:30-11am Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025 9:30-11am

> AGES 7-16

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Non-competitive football for girls who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age, have fun and make new friends!

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First session

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