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DIARY DATES

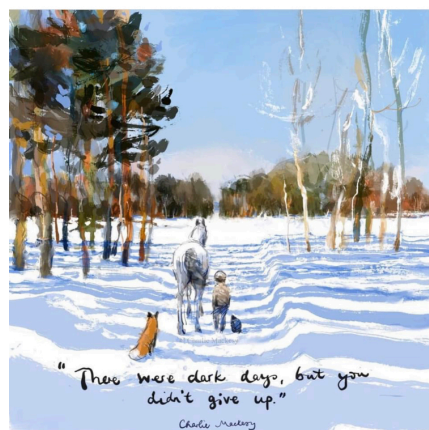
- 11 Feb - Red Team Cake Sale
- 15 Feb - Y5 Chemistry with Cabbage
- 15 Feb - Parents Evening
- 17 Feb - Parents Evening
- 03 Mar - World Book Day
- 04 Mar - World Faith: Judaism day
- 09 Mar - Y5 Ancient Greece Workshop
- 21 Mar - Y6 Stockport Air Raid Shelter Trip
- 25 Mar - Eco Go Green own clothes day
- 28 Mar - Decades week
- 30 Mar - Easter Service, 10.30am
- 31 Mar - Decades Disco
- 01 Apr - Decades dress up day, own clothes
- 19 Apr - Science Week
- 25 Apr - Swim sessions commence at Bunbury (for top end of KS2 pupils)
- 26 Apr - Y5 Roberts Bakery
- 09 May - Y6 SATs week
- 16 May - Schools Fest Week
- 26 May - Platinum Jubilee playground street party
- 22 Jun - Y6 Conway Transitional Residential (for THS pupils, provisional date)
- 23 Jun - Y4 Bridgewater Hall Trip
- 27 Jun - AmaSing Concert at the Story House
- 18 Jul - Y6 Leavers Evening
- 20 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service at St.Boniface



*For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
 Jeremiah 29:11*

Dear Parents/Carers,

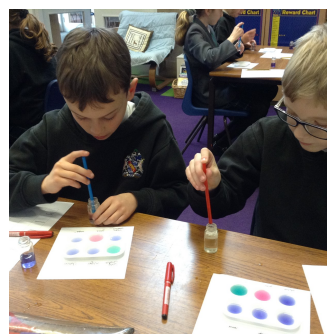
We have reached the end of the first half of the spring term. This term has been particularly challenging as we have needed to manage a large number of staff absences across the school both with teaching staff and support staff as well as a spike in pupil cases. Your support, patience and understanding during this time has been very much appreciated.



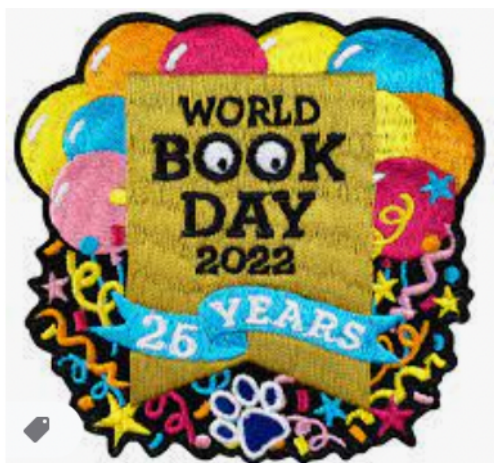
Despite the challenging circumstances our classrooms have been alive with the sound of laughter and learning as the children have explored their history based study themes for the half term. There have as always been many magical moments of teaching and learning which

would not be possible without the dedication and commitment of the Bunbury staff team. As a team we have endeavoured to provide a consistent, positive, fun and enjoyable learning experience for all our children over the past 7 weeks despite not having a full team at any one point! I am hopeful that as we move now into the spring we can begin to leave our 'covid days' behind...

This week our Year 5 pupils experienced a science workshop with 'Chemistry with Cabbage' and our youngest children in reception have ended the term with their Knights and Dragons day.



There are a number of events we are planning during the second half of the spring term and I just want to draw your attention to these.



World Book Day: Thursday 3rd March

To celebrate World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March we would like all the children to dress up as their favourite book character from a **book** not a film! It would be great to see the children being really creative with their costumes and rather than buying an expensive fancy dress outfit perhaps spending sometime over half term making one.

As an extra special way to celebrate and promote World Book Day this year, Miss Cork, our English lead will be organising some extra special reading activities through the day. At present we have planned:

- an author visit for reception and Year 1
- book sale to be held in the school entrance hall during the afternoon. **If you were able to donate any unwanted books to the school for the sale this would be very much appreciated. All books will be priced at 50p and children will be able to bring money to school to buy a second hand book from the sale.**
- **This year World Book Day is celebrating its 25th Anniversary. To celebrate, 25 books will be read aloud across the school and throughout the day. Some of these books will be read to the children by a secret reader from another class. Who will appear in your classroom?**

Decades Disco: Thursday 31st March

To celebrate our work on decades as part of our work on the Platinum Jubilee we will be holding a decades disco for the children after school on Thursday 31st March. This will end our decades week when each class will be learning about a decade from the Queens reign. All children are able to come in decade costumes to the disco should they wish to as well as on our decades day on Friday 1st April. The disco will take place in the school hall at the following times:

6.00 - 6.45pm for Reception and KS1
7.00 - 7.45pm for KS2



More information regarding the disco will be sent out after half term

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

This week we also celebrated our take away homework. I was once again extremely impressed to see the high standard and variety of work completed by all our children. Well done to all the children who brought back their work to share - there was a lot to celebrate and clearly shows you 'letting your light shine'.





Uniform

Over the past few weeks I have noticed that standards in uniform have slipped for some of the children in school. There are though a number of children as always dressed smartly and wearing the correct uniform and I thank those parents for upholding the expectations that we have.

There has been an increase in children wearing trainers and boots as well as items which are not part of the school uniform we list. At present I am permitting the children to wear their PE hooded sweatshirts within school to keep warm - this will remain in place until the Easter holidays. PE hoodies are though to be worn **as well** as jumpers and not **instead** of jumpers. We also permit non-branded school hoodies to be worn but these must be black and not show a logo or fashion brand name.

Please can I ask with half term next week that children return to school in the second half of the spring term wearing the correct uniform to school - this is listed below.

Winter Uniform (until Easter):

EYFS

Boys: Black trousers, school logo polo shirt, school logo sweatshirt (green). Black socks, black shoes.

Girls: Tartan skirt or pinafore, school logo polo shirt, school logo sweatshirt (green). Black tights, black trousers (no leggings), black shoes (no heels).

Year 1-6

Boys: Black trousers, white shirt, school tie, grey jumper (green stripe). Black socks, black shoes.

Girls: Tartan skirt, white shirt, school tie, grey jumper (green stripe). Black tights, black trousers (no leggings), black shoes (no heels).

Parking

Please can I ask that as the new year starts we continue to be mindful of parking outside of school and around the roads adjacent to our site. I have once again received a number of complaints as school has started about inconsiderate and dangerous parking. Photos of cars parked in dangerous or inconsiderate places continue to be shared with me by local residents and parents and I will continue to share this on our newsletter. This week I received the following image from a parent of a car parked inconsiderately and dangerously for children and parents needing to



cross the road leaving school.

Please can I ask that parking does not:

- block driveways of residents
- block the road by parking opposite other parked vehicles
- mount the pavement making it dangerous for children and parents with prams
- block key crossing points by obstructing vision or narrowing the gap to cross

Gate code for Badgers Before and After School Club

For parents of children attending Badgers Before and After School Club you will be aware that we have needed to change the gate code for the second time again this half term. This I know is frustrating for parents who may not always pick up the message and leads to difficulties accessing the site to collect your children. The reason for the code change is due to keeping the children on site safe throughout the day. I take Safeguarding of all our children extremely seriously as do all the staff who work at the school. It has been brought to our attention that a number of children who attend Badgers club have been made aware of the gate code - this has not been done by a member of staff and parents have been witnessed telling children the gate code.

Whilst I appreciate the children may enjoy opening the padlock at the end of the day please can I ask that the gate code is not shared with them as it compromises our safeguarding procedures through the day.

Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

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

Reception: Isobel: for showing courage when she fell over, and being thankful for her kind friend who looked after her

Year 1: Ellie : for always having the courage to give everything a go.

Year 2: Ted : for his fantastic reflection on the meaning of courage

Year 3: Ingo : for having the courage to try something new with his writing - it is beautiful

Year 4: Jacob : for being kind and courageous showing our new pupils around

Year 5: Florence : for showing courage in netball

Year 6: Oliver : for showing courage to keep on trying when when the activity is tricky



Reception: Albert : for being a good friend to a new child in his class

Year 1: Bertie: for fantastic takeaway homework

Year 2: Theo : for fantastic takeaway homework on Midsummer Nights Dream

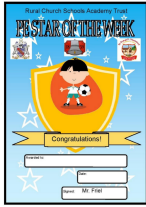
Year 3: All of year 3 for being great with so many changes this week

Year 4: Elliot: for his incredible takeaway homework video on the digestive system

Year 5: Amelia : for all of her effort and progress in maths

Year 6: Holly: for having a fantastic first half term at Bunbury





Our PE award this week goes to Elliot in Year 4 for showing great sportsmanship in all areas of PE. Well done Elliot this is a fantastic quality to be able to demonstrate.

Maths awards:

Reception

Mathletics: Isobel, Lucy, Aelwen, Raphy x2, Elsie x2

Year 2

Mathletics

Silver- Isla, Theo, Tom

Bronze-Chloe, Ruby, Tom, Alice, Isla, Theo, Ben, Freya, Frankie, Ruby

Times table

Gold - Tom, Henry, Noah, Archie, Marcie, Daisy, Mia, Isla, Annabelle, Charlie

Silver - Frankie, Alice, molly, Sienna, Ben, Florence, , Ruby, Chloe, Ted, Hubert, Freya, Charlie

Bronze - Tobias, Primrose, Theo, Charlie

Year 3

Mathletics:

Silver - William

Bronze - William, William, Stanley, Jessica, Rory, William, Ella

Times Tables:

Bronze: William, Olivia, Anya

Silver: Edward, Cassian

Gold: Seb, Stanley, William

Champion : George, Freddie, Ingo, Rory Smith

Year 4

Mathletics:

Bronze - Ella, Seb, Alfie, Zach, Freddie and Alex

Silver - Zach

Times tables:

Bronze - Jacob

Gold - Seb

Champion - Freddie - 13x table 60 questions

Champion - Hugo - 13x table 80 questions

Champion - Sam - 13 and 14x table 80 questions

Year 5

Mathletics

Bronze - Euan, Amelia, Belle, Emily, Hollie

Times Tables

Champions

Emily 19x

Sky 18x

Elsie 13x

Year 6

Mathletics:

Natalie - bronze

Holly B - bronze and silver

Times tables:

Holly G - bronze

William R - champion

Reuben - champion

Natalie - champion

Thank you all for your continued support and patience again this week as we have continued without a full compliment of staff.

Keep smiling, stay strong and keep safe Bunbury.

Have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 28th February.

Nic Badger

THIS HALF TERM
take part in...

The Bunbury Bird Hunt!

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A family friendly, COVID safe activity.

Hidden throughout Sadlers Wells woods will be birds and landmarks - find all their pictures to crack the code and receive a goodie bag!

Bird hunt runs from Monday 21st - Saturday 26th February 2022

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