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DIARY DATES

- 12 May - Academy Photography, Class Groups & Leavers (NEW DATE)**
- 09 May - Y6 SATs week**
- 16 May - Schools Fest Week**
- 26 May - Platinum Jubilee playground street party**
- 27 May - Bank Holiday for Jubilee, school closed**
- 15 Jun - Deputation Day with Haberdashers including Y6 bible presentation**
- 11am**
- 16 Jun - Year 3 and 5 Gizmobot workshop**
- 22 Jun - Y6 Conway Transitional Residential (for THS pupils)**
- 23 Jun - Y4 Bridgewater Hall Trip**
- 23 Jun - Scholastic Book Fair arrives**
- 27 Jun - Year 3 AmaSing Concert at the Story House**
- 29 Jun - Sports Day: KS1 am/ KS2 pm**
- 30 Jun - Reserve Sports Day**
- 07 Jul - Scholastic Book Fair to be collected**
- 13 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service Trip, Chester Cathedral (pupils only)**
- 14 Jul - STAR Day (whole school)**
- 18 Jul - Deanery Sports**
- 19 Jul - Y6 Leavers Evening (NEW DATE)**
- 20 Jul - Y6 Leavers Service at St. Boniface 10.30am**

Please view our school calendar on our website for up to date



Isaiah 41:10
 "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Dear Parents/Carers,
 Another week has flown by in school and lots of fantastic teaching and learning continues to take place. All children are now fully immersed in their STEM study theme and it has been a privilege to witness the exciting opportunities taking place.



This week we have held the national statutory tests for our Year 6 pupils.

I am incredibly proud of all the children in Year 6 their composure, maturity and resilience during the week of testing has been incredible. As is tradition at Bunbury for the past 10 years we have ended our week with the Year 6 water fight. Myself, Miss Hickson and Mrs Walker were joined by Rev Tim for the soaking!



I am also aware that across the school there are also children in the following year groups undertaking statutory testing. Children in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 will take part in some form of statutory testing over the next few weeks:

Year 1 - Phonics Screening test

Year 2 - End of Key Stage 1 tests in reading, writing and maths

Year 4 - Multiplication tests

Whilst we may all have very different views on the place of testing within the primary curriculum I would like to ask that the testing process is kept in perspective for the children. All the staff at Bunbury ensure that the children are prepared adequately so that they can achieve their potential and I know that through this year they have worked incredibly hard deepening their learning in preparation for these tests and I am extremely proud of each and everyone of them.

For some, it may be quite challenging, emotionally some may be on a rollercoaster and for others they may take it all in their stride. As their headteacher, and a parent, I know that it is not easy being tested as a child at any age but there is something they need to remember.

None of the tests listed above measure what makes you special and unique. They do not know that you sing, dance and are extremely creative. They do not measure how kind you are to your friends or how you look after your classmates. They do not know how far you can run, how well you can ride a horse or how many goals you have scored. They do not know that you have overcome hurdles and obstacles in your life and they certainly do not test how special, unique and amazing you are as individuals.

The results from these tests will tell you something, but not everything.

If any parents do have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact me or the class teacher.



We have had several kind offers of donations for our Platinum Jubilee Street Party so far and they are very much appreciated. As you will have seen on last week's newsletter at the end of this half term we will be having a Platinum playground street party for all the children to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. All the children will be part of the party which will take place on the afternoon of Thursday 26th May to end the half term. We will be working with our catering team to plan a special 'Platinum picnic lunch' which all children will be able to order before the day at a cost of £ 2.25 for Key Stage 2 children. Key Stage 1 children are covered through the universal free school meals scheme.

The Jubilee box will be the only option for school lunch that day and children can choose between ham, cheese, tuna or egg sandwich. They will also receive a carton of juice, biscuit, fruit and vegetable sticks bag as part of the picnic lunch. Please book your lunch choice via school spider - both Key stage 1 and Key 2 children need to choose. Alternatively, should you or your child wish to they can bring their own picnic lunch.

We will be asking the children to come to school dressed in anything red, white or blue. As it is a 'party' we are looking at what we can do and provide for the children to mark this historic event and celebrate with everyone. If anyone has any ideas or are able to support in anyway with any of the following: balloons, bouncy castle, party games, ice cream etc please email school at either:

admin@bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk

or

principalbunbury@rcsat.cheshire.sch.uk



Bunbury Primary School Sporting Fixtures: Summer Term fixtures to date



At Bunbury, we are blessed to have so many sporting opportunities for children from our reception class right through to Year 6. Under the instruction of our sports partnership at Tarporley High School, we participate in various sporting competitions throughout the academic year from dodgeball to gymnastics to name but a few. These events are all organised by the High school and as a school we are extremely thankful to the time they invest in organising these events for their primary partners.

We always take considerable time when making team selections to ensure that firstly, those who may wish to take part maybe offered the chance and secondly, to ensure that children are chosen in order to develop their skills, abilities and self- confidence. It is though not always possible each time to take all children who volunteer as numbers are often restricted.

Our teams and squad selections are done on a rotational basis with a core of children chosen who excel in a particular sport in order to hone their abilities within a competitive environment alongside those children who show enthusiasm and want to have a go at taking part in a collaborative team sport.

Some may believe that we should be going into a competition to win with the strongest team. However we all know that part of becoming a good well rounded sports person is learning that you may not win each time and to work as a team.

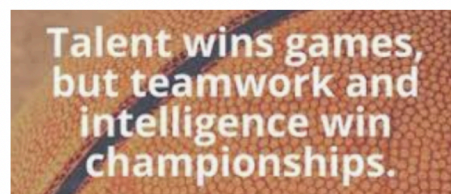
Both myself and Mr Friel agree that our team selection will never become elitist as this does not sit with our school vision of 'Let your light shine.' We will always ensure that there is an equal mix of those who excel and those who show enthusiasm and a desire to try something new within a competitive environment.

This week our Year 3/4 Athletics team represented the school in the Sandstone EIP Athletics competition. I was delighted to hear that the team came 3rd place overall with medals for the following children: James, Tenzing, Freddie, Seb, Ella C, Heidi and Jacob K.

As we receive the fixture list through the academic year we will update the sporting fixture calendar below so that as much notice as possible is provided. There maybe times when due scheduling of staff events and training we may not be able to take a team to represent the school.

19/5/22 – Year 6 Athletics at THS

18/7/22 - KS2 Deanery Sports



PE Award

This week's PE award goes to **all of our Y3/Y4 Athletics Team** for being fantastic, showing good sportsmanship and supporting each other at last nights event.



As you will be aware next week sees the return of Schools Fest. I know that both staff and children are very excited at it's return and we are delighted to be able to offer a wider range of activities this year. A huge thanks need to be said to our staff team for the commitment to the Schools Fest project and in particular Mrs Armitage for her organisation. I am delighted to say that after a last minute addition to our funding for the event we have been able to provide all the children with a Schools Fest t-shirt once again. Tonight your child should have brought home a Schools fest t-shirt.

Children **do not** need to wear uniform at all next week and can come in school Schools Fest t-shirt/ shorts and t-shirt. Please make sure clothing is weather appropriate. Sun cream and hats need to be brought to school each day as the children will be outside.

Uniform

Now we are in the summer term children can now wear the summer school uniform or choose to continue to wear the winter uniform if they wish. Further details can be found on the following link to our website.

<http://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/uniform/2420>

Now the weather is getting warmer, please can I remind you that PE hoodies are now only to be worn on PE days and not as part of the school uniform.

Attendance in School

We understand that there will be times when absence is unavoidable and acceptable. Each absence is classed as authorised or unauthorised. Absences are coded as authorised where reasons are considered valid and unauthorised where no explanation or unacceptable reasons are given.

The following reasons are for example not acceptable:

- shopping visits
- care for family members
- days out
- parents' work commitments or business trips
- holidays taken in term time (including long weekends taken on Fridays and / or Mondays)
- parental illness
- sleeping in / missing school transport
- birthdays or birthday treats

I am sure you are all aware that term time absence has an undoubted negative impact on a child's learning and through the remaining part of the school year we would ask that any absences are kept to a minimum.

What the law says about school attendance: The law requires all children between the ages of 5 and 16 to be in full time education. Under Section 7 of the Education Act 1996 it is the duty of the parent/carer of a child of compulsory school age to ensure that they attend school regularly.

Supervision Order Children's Act 1989: The local authority can apply to the courts where attendance remains poor. A named education supervisor would be appointed to work with the family for up to 12 months to ensure the young person receives full time education.

School Attendance Order Education Act 1996: If this is issued; parents would be directed to register their child at a school named by the local authority. A warning letter can be issued when a pupil has had 10 or more unauthorised absences from school. The warning letter gives parents a period of 15 days of monitoring. If at the end of this period if there has not been an improvement or an improvement has been made but not sustained, a Penalty Notice will be issued.

Families who take their children out of school for holiday within term time, or for other unauthorised absences exceeding 10 sessions (5 days). A Penalty Notice will be issued.

Penalty Notice: Each parent/carer would have to pay £60.00 per child. If this is not paid within 21 days, the payment increases to £120.00 per child per parent. Payments will not be accepted after 28 days. If

parents do not pay, the Local Authority will prosecute in the Magistrates' Court. If convicted the parent will have a criminal record and may receive a fine of up to £1000.

The department for Education have a range of information available regarding attendance.

Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

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

As we have not had our celebration assembly today due to the Year 6 water fight - our celebrations will return following School Fest



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

Nic Badger

**TICKETS SOLD
AT TILLYS AND
BURROWS £5
PER PERSON**

Teddy Bears Picnic

Mayfield House, Moss lane, Bunbury
Saturday 14th May 11-2pm





Enjoy stunning gardens, family games, yummy treats and if the weather is good, bring your swimming costumes. All proceeds go to Blood Cancer Uk

FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY TEAM



PARENT WORKSHOPS

Helping children manage worries and anxiety.

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 of **primary school age** children, in **Cheshire East** and will be held at Visyon in Congleton for **face-to-face** delivery. 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.

- 27/04/2022 - Parenting problems and difficult behaviors.
- 04/05/2022 - Securing the parent/child bond.
- 11/05/2022 - Understanding your child's anxiety.
- 18/05/2022 - Using praise and rewards to build confidence.
- 25/05/2022 - Setting limits on anxious children's behavior.
- 01/06/2022 - NO SESSION DUE TO HALF TERM
- 08/06/2022 - Managing children's worry.
- 15/06/2022 - Managing difficult behavior.
- 22/06/2022 - Review and celebration.

All 8 sessions need to be attended consecutively to complete the course and benefit from the learning techniques.

Each session will start at 11:00 am and finish at 12:15 pm.

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