



The Bayford Bugle



Courage Appreciation Peace Respect Responsibility Love

Jesus said, "I know my sheep...and my sheep know me." John 10:14

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Reception Balanceability

Our Reception children have recently taken part in two afternoons of Balanceability. This is run by the Herts & Ware Schools Sports Partnership and gets children feeling confident on balance bikes. Later in the summer term, Year 6 will be taking part in Bikeability where they will learn to ride safely on the roads.



Book Fair and World Book Day

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to school and will be open during playtimes and after school from Monday 17th March to Thursday 20th March.

Children will be given a book token that can be used against the cost of any book at the book fair that costs £2.99 or more. If you send your child in with money to spend at the book fair, please be aware that they will be responsible for looking after this themselves.

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6th March. Children can come to school dressed as a book character and there will be a prize for the best dressed child in each year group.

Attendance

Our attendance is still unacceptably low and we are ranked 381st out of 396 schools in Hertfordshire!

Could we please remind you that children should still come to school if they have coughs and colds and should only be kept at home if absolutely necessary. For further guidance, please use the link below...

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Can we also remind you that holidays taken during school time will always result in a fixed penalty notice being issued.

Parents Consultations

This term, our parents consultations will take place before the Easter break as follows

Tuesday 1st April from 5.00pm – 8.00pm

Wednesday 2nd April from 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Sign up details will be sent out nearer the time.

Staff Changes

Mrs Kinsley will not be returning to Bayford following the birth of her baby last year. We'd like to wish her all the best and thank her for her years of dedication to the children at Bayford. However, we are very pleased to be able to report that Mrs Wheeler will be staying on and becoming a permanent member of staff, leading our Early Years class.

We would also like to welcome Miss Lampard who has joined in a support role in our Early Years class under the leadership of Mrs Wheeler.

Finally, we would also like to extend a thank you to Mrs Staines for her hard work and dedication during her time at Bayford. She recently left us to pursue a career away from education.

Outdoor Shoes

Could we please remind you that all children should have wellies or trainers for changing into at playtimes and lunchtimes. These should be kept in a plastic bag in your child's locker.



Values & Collective Worship

Our values this term are Peace and Love. We now have a weekly theme to our collective worships and themes for this term are Epiphany, the early life of Jesus, The Bible, Courageous Advocates and Spirituality to name but a few.

If you know somebody who would be an inspirational speaker that may be willing to come in and speak at one of our collective worships, we'd love to hear from you. It could be someone from a different faith, someone with an interesting job, someone who has done something inspirational or someone who had achieved something great in life.

Class 3 Music Festival

Class 3 are currently rehearsing for the Herts & Ware Schools Music Association Music Festival. This will be taking place after Easter at Sele School. The children will be performing a cantata by Paul Burrell named From Ghana With Love.



Easter Church Service

Our church service for Easter will be held on Thursday 3rd April at 2.15pm in St. Mary's Church.



PE Competitions

On 26th February some children from Class 3 will be taking part in a Sports Hall Athletics competition at Wodson Park in Ware.

On 3rd March a team of Year 4 children will also be competing at Wodson Park in a Rapid Fire Cricket Competition.

Further details about both of these events will come out nearer the time.

Parents First Aid Course

On Monday 10th March from 1.15pm – 3.15pm, LifeSafe Training will be delivering some first aid training for parents in the school hall. There are still one or two places remaining if any other parents would like to join those who have already signed up. The cost per adult is £10. Please speak to Mrs Sims or Dr Foster if you would like to attend.



Class 3 Rivers Trip

Class 3 will be taking part in a rivers study to support their learning in Geography this term. They will be visiting Fishers Green on Wednesday 12th February.



Nala

Before Christmas, Mark from Dog Academy dog training visited school to carry out a dog temperament assessment on Nala. Despite being pushed, poked and pulled around by Mark, Nala passed her test with flying colours, remaining calm and un-responsive throughout. A copy of her assessment can be seen on the school website if you would like to see it in full.

Don't forget, you can follow Nala on Instagram to see what she gets up to both in and out of school.

@nala_schooldog



Uniform

Please make sure your child(ren) are wearing correct uniform at all times while in school, including school shoes and ties.

Further information, including our uniform policy, can be found on our website <https://bayford.herts.sch.uk/uniform/>



Class 1 Dance Festival

On Monday 10th February a group of children from Class 1 will be taking part in the Herts & Ware School Sports Partnership's Dance Festival at Sele School. This promises to be a lovely event and we wish them all the best for a great performance.



Class 2 & 3 Trip to Cambridge Festival

On Tuesday 25th March, Class 2 & 3 will be travelling to Cambridge to attend the Cambridge Festival Schools Day. This is organised by the University of Cambridge and promises to be a fabulous day of fun and workshops. Miss Lourenco has worked hard to organise this and has managed to secure some funding to pay for the cost of a coach to get the children to and from Cambridge. Therefore, the trip will be free for all children. Details will be sent out soon.

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We Will Build It Better

Year groups continue to attend the We Will Build It Better science and engineering days at Sele School. These are proving to be fun and engaging for the children who have been already and it is the turn of Year 3 on Wednesday 12th March. Details will come out shortly to parents. Year 2 will be having their turn in June.

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