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Badbury Park Primary School Rainscombe Road Coate Swindon Wiltshire SN3 6ER



Be Adventurous







Date: 10th May 2024

Newsletter

Dear Families,

It has been lovely to see some warmer weather this week along with blue skies and sunshine and the children have really been enjoying playing outside without coats. Please do make sure their clothes are labelled with names as our lost property boxes are bulging with coats and jumpers. Do come and check if your child is missing items of clothing.

We have seen a vast improvement in children walking or scooting to school and to the safety of pupils since the School Street car free zone initiative was introduced. However, we have had reports that there are parents driving the wrong way up the one way street to avoid restrictions. Not only is this illegal but unsafe for other road users. Please be considerate to our local community.

Also, just a note about Blue Badge holders. The badge is issued for a named person and it must only be displayed if they are travelling in the vehicle as a driver or passenger or being picked up or dropped off. Blue Badges issued for a named adult can only be used if the adult is the sole adult in the car collecting the child. It is a criminal offence for anyone else to misuse the badge. Doing so could lead to a £1,000 fine and confiscation of the badge.



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Friends of Badbury Park Primary School have been working very hard to organise some fantastic fundraising events for our school starting with the end of term treat stall and uniform sale and the Fund Raisin challenge during the last week of May. Please see page 4 for all the details

For those of you wondering what to do this weekend, it is the final few days of the Wanborough scarecrow trail with

the theme 'Fairytales and Fables' - grab a map and have fun trying to identify all 35 scarecrows around the village.

Have a good weekend

Mrs Dance









Nursery

Another busy week in Apple Tree. We have loved seeing the children's imaginations grow since September. As part of our adventure topic, we have read 'You Choose' and decided how we would like to travel, our favourite activities and where we would like to live. Lots of the children have used this as inspiration to build their own worlds and stories.



We have also been ambitious in our Maths, practising counting objects and matching to numerals, showing our growing number skills.

We would love you to visit the Blue Kite art project at North Swindon library, we have worked hard at using loose parts to explore colour and shapes in our local environment.



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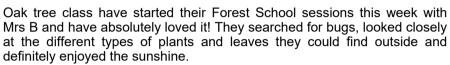




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Reception: It's been a wonderful week in Reception! We started the week with a visit from Katie from the Blue Cross who taught us all about different animals and how to care for them. This has inspired us to become vets in our role play area. We've treated poorly dogs, cats, rabbits and we've even cared for a crocodile who had lost all of his teeth! We've made our own animal X-rays, created miniature pets using cardboard tubes and found out about animal habitats.











<u>KS1</u> Year 1 have been learning all about fiction and non-fiction books, we've looked into using fiction books to find out more about animals! We found this very interesting as we used these skills to write a "Wanted Poster" for the missing penguin that was spotted around Badbury and write the first copy of Badbury News—click here

to see more T-HE-019-Newspaper-BPP-STA-L042.docx In maths we explored halving numbers by sharing. We were also very lucky to have a special quest come in to teach us some cricket!

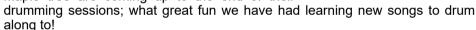








Year 2 have been busy in maths learning all about time; making o'clock, half past, quarter to and quarter past. We have been very ambitious with this as it has been super tricky! Year 2 in Maple tree are coming up to the end of their







KS2 Year 3 enjoyed another visit to our local library, listening to a story and choosing our own books to bring back to school. In RE we have been learning about Hinduism; we researched different Hindu gods and have been busy making information sheets about them. This term in computing we are looking at digital music, thinking about and creating drawings to show how music makes us feel. We have used chrome lab to create some

of our own rhythms; we get very excited about computing lessons on the iPads! In history we have also been learning about how local brickworks were an important part of Swindon's development and have been (or will be!) exploring artefacts to learn about Swindon's past.

Year 4: What a glorious end to the week! The sunny weather certainly matches year 4's attitude to learning. This fortnight we have been lucky enough to have a visit from our friends at Wiltshire Cricket to lead a cricket session. We developed our bowling and batting skills as well as working as part of a team.

In English we have invented a new version of Pandora's Box and had fun thinking of new ways our characters can trick Zeus. Melted ice-creams and even chocolate covered garlic cloves have featured! The myth openers have been fantastic too...Many moons ago, Once upon an ancient sunrise and Many ambrosia breakfasts ago. It is so heartening to read stories peppered with historical information in them. One thing we have been really impressed with is Year 4's respectfulness in RE this week when baptism was explored. The children had some really mature ideas and respectful responses. Finally, the children's inventions in ESR have been really forward thinking. They have created ideas to save water. One in particular controlled the flow of the water so that when there was a water shortage the amount of water was reduced so it was fair for everyone



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Medication in school

It is not school policy to administer non-prescribed medicines (e.g. Paracetomol, Piriton, etc.) during the school day time but parents are welcome to come and give medicine when required.



However, if your child has a medical condition that needs prescribed medication that requires **four doses a day**, school staff can administer one of those doses during school time; please complete a medical form in the school office and we will make the appropriate arrangements. For antibiotics requiring doses **only three times a day**, we would request that arrangements are made to give the medicine outside school hours.

If your child suffers from hay fever, please give your child hay fever medication before school.



Drop off/Pick up

Can we please politely ask families not to sit on the trim trail or grit boxes while you are waiting for your children to come out. And please do not allow your child to cycle or scooter around the playground at these times. Thank you for your support.

Wiltshire Cricket Club

Last Friday we were lucky to have Wiltshire Cricket attend our school to deliver some taster sessions for our Year 1 to 4 students. Everyone had a great day (despite some wet weather) and engaged fantastically within the sessions. They worked on a mixture of skills during the sessions, including

bowling, fielding and batting. If your child loved the sessions, please see the information below for their more regular sessions for 5 to 11 year olds.





Gardening club Over the last couple of terms, the children have been enjoying activities that create a connection between gardening and recycling. We looked at everyday items and thought about how we can reuse them to grow plants, help nature and the surrounding environment all whilst developing our BPPS Garden.

As we look forward to continuing this theme into the final term of the year, we would like to ask for donations of the following items:

- ❖ 2 litre plastic bottles with lids ❖glass jam jars ❖ tin cans
- ❖ Any gardening tools/seeds/bulbs and other items you feel would be of benefit to the group.

A box will be placed outside the main school doors for any donations throughout the rest of term - thank you for your support









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Each child will receive a box of raisins just before the half term holiday

The challenge is to eat the raisins, then fill the box with as much money as you can before 7th June 2024

All proceeds will go towards an end of year treat for all pupils!



Prizes for the top 3 fundraisers, as well as the class that raises the most moneyl

TIME TO START THINKING OF IDEAS!

chores for change - dog walking - toy sale - bake sale sponsored run - sell your art - car washing - or something elsel





Things are getting busy here at FOBPP PTA HQ with lots of great events planned for the rest of the school year...

First up is our end of half term treat stall & uniform sale on Thursday 23rd May at the front of the school (if you have any uniform donations you'd like to give prior to the sale, please pass them to the school office)

Fund Raisin is Back! lets see if we can beat last year's total; we've got some amazing treats in store for the top "raisiners", top class and whole school, the more we raise the better it will be. Boxes will go out prior to half term and need to be back by 7th June

Saturday 8th June, sees our first Craft destash sale for all you artsy craftsy people out there, If you need a clear out of that wool stash, pass on unfinished projects you just can't round to, paper crafting, stamping, beading etc. please email us to book a table. If you don't want a whole table but you do have craft stuff you'd like to declutter, the FOBPP stall will gratefully accept any donation, Even better just pop along and support us on the day, we'll have tea and homemade cakes on sale too.

Finally, Drum Roll please.....The Summer Fete is coming 29th June, mark it in your diaries and watch this space!







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Holiday Club > Badbury Park - May Half Term 2024



Holiday Club: May 2024

27th May - 31st May 2024

Providing childcare for the May holiday period, your child will have the chance to take part in our holiday activities throughout the week. **Telephone**

07832 304452

May Holiday Fun.

Booking for our holiday club is now open. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

https://www.thebigaclub.co.uk/holiday-club/

Badbury Park Primary School - Every school holiday.

8 am - 3 pm session: £20 per child.

8 am - 6 pm session: £25 for the first child and £21 for a sibling.

All children require a packed lunch, with a snack being provided at approximately 4 pm for those children staying with us for the longer session.



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April 2024

15th: Children return to school for term 5

15th School Safe Zone begins

22nd: Curriculum meetings for all year

groups—5pm

24th: "Beep, beep" day. Road safety

practice

May 2024

6th: Bank holiday (school closed)

14th: Year 1 to Richard Jefferies Museum 15th: Vision Screening (Reception classes) 23rd: FOBBP End of Term treat & Uniform

sale

24th: Last day of term 5

May half term—Fund Raisin' challenge

June 2024

3rd: Teacher training day (school closed)

4th: Children return for term 6

8th: FOBBP Craft De-stash sale

w/c 10th: Phonics screening check (Y1)

12th: Meeting for parents of new Reception

starters (6.30pm)

14th: Stay and Play sessions for nursery and

new Reception starters (3.30-4.15pm)

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18th: Stay and Play sessions for nursery and

new Reception starters (3.30-4.15pm)

19th: Meeting for parents of new nursery

children (6.30pm)

20th: Class group photos

21st :Year 1 trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park

29th: Summer Fair

July 2024

1st: Sports week commences

2nd : Apple Tree sports and picnic from

10am

3rd: Yew, Maple, Hazel and Willow Sports

day from 1.30pm

4th: Ash, Oak, Beech and Pine Sports day

from 1.30pm

8tth: Teacher training day (school closed)

12th: Stay and Play sessions for nursery and

new Reception starters (3.30-4.15pm)

12th: Reports to parents

16th:Class swap afternoon

17th: Years 2, 3 and 4 performance

25th: End of term