

NEWSLETTER

Friday 11th May 2018

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many supportive parents we have at Bluecoat Primary Academy. The school is a happy and purposeful place where children feel safe and can flourish within our inclusive Christian ethos. Your support is invaluable in our pursuit of excellence and it is always great to hear your thoughts - what you value and where you would like to suggest further improvements. If you or your child experiences difficulties at any time, we would encourage you to come in and talk to us about it rather than avoid the issue or complain to others (particularly on social media) who are not in a position to resolve the problem. We are always keen to ensure that our children are thriving. We sometimes need to hear from you if there are issues arising that are not being reported in school. Feel free to make an appointment to see your child's class teacher in the first instance or with me if you feel it needs dealing with at a greater depth. Ours doors are always open.

Sue-Ellen Shaw
Head Teacher

Attendance

Last week's attendance was at 96.53% The best attendance for last week was the Hummingbirds Class with a fantastic 99.67%. Well done to the Hummingbirds!

Believe Time Theme

The theme for next week's Believe Time is 'Doing your best'

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Year 2 Phonics & Reading Club

Please be aware that the Year 2 Phonics and Reading club which takes place on a Monday afterschool has now finished. This is in preparation for the children taking their SATs tests starting next week. We do still encourage children to read at home but would like to ensure they get adequate rest time during this period. There will be an alternative club starting for some of the Year 2 children after May half term, further details on this club will follow soon.

Year 2 SATs Tests

In preparation for the Year 2 SATs tests starting next week please be aware of the importance of your child arriving to school on time. To help children feel more relaxed and comfortable we would like parents to send children to school with some slippers in a named bag. Children will then be able to wear these while taking their SATs test.

Year 3 & 4 Sleepover

For those who were unable to attend the parent information evening an e-mail will be sent out with details of the evening and a kit list. Please feel free to speak with any of the Year 3/4 staff, or Mrs Skov if you have any questions. Also, all students attending are required to return a medical information form which will be coming home with your child. Please return so that your child is able to attend.

Royal Wedding Celebrations

In preparation for the Royal Wedding next week, all children will be taking part in a 'Royal Wedding' Themed Afternoon Tea on Friday 18th May. Children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 will be making all of the decorations, invites and food for the rest of the school to enjoy alongside them in the afternoon. We hope the children will enjoy the community and national spirit that comes with such an event, as well as learn about the Royal family and wedding ceremonies. It would be great if you allowed them to watch some of the Royal wedding at home on Saturday 19th May. Feel free to send in photos of your own Royal Wedding celebrations. It would be good if those of you who have one could send your child into school

with a picnic blanket (with your child's name on) to make it a more special event for us.

World Environment Theme Week

Bluecoat Primary warmly invites you to our open event where we will be sharing our response to "Beat Plastic Pollution", the theme for World Environment Day 2018. We will be showcasing our artwork and understanding of how we can positively contribute to the local and global society and protect our environment against pollution. A wide range of work from all ages will be exhibited in our school hall and classrooms. More information to follow soon.

Bluecoat Primary will be exhibiting the work from this theme as part of the Bilborough Arts Festival. <https://www.bilborougharts.co.uk/> on Monday 2nd July, 3.30 - 5:30

Online Uniform Shop



A button has now been added to our website homepage which will take you automatically through to the uniform shop. This can be found in the top right hand corner of the home page, it is a picture of a small blue jumper. You are able to order everything online except the bundles. Our suppliers are currently working to try to include this in online orders. If you do want to order a bundle you will need to visit the uniform shop at our Aspley Lane campus. This is open during term time on Tuesdays 12pm-4pm and Thursdays 2pm-6pm.

The shop will also be open at the following times during the school summer holidays every Tuesday 12pm - 4pm and Thursday 2pm - 6pm.

Week commencing 27th August 2018, 12pm-6pm (closed the bank holiday Monday)



BPFF Beach Party Disco 22.05.18

How wonderful of BPFF to organise a completely free event for our pupils!

Please see below for details:

Nursery / Reception & Year 1 (3.15pm-4.15pm)
Years 2, 3 & 4 (4.30pm-5.30pm)

Children only, parents to drop off and collect at finish time please. There is an optional VIP upgrade for £2.00 per child which includes:

X1 Glow stick
X1 Bag of Candy Floss
X1 Photo booth Photograph
X1 Glitter or Festival Tattoo

Please see the BPFF Facebook page for further details.

It is essential that you sign up for both free and VIP packages so that numbers can be confirmed. You can sign up and buy tickets from outside the school reception at pick up and drop off times.

Office Staffing

If you need to collect your child from school early for a medical appointment, please make sure that this is prearranged both with reception and the class teacher. We only have one staff member in the office towards the end of the day and it can be very disruptive running back and forth to classrooms to collect children that we were not expecting to have to leave early.

Furthermore, if you have questions for reception, please try to visit in the morning rather than afterschool as we have more staff available to assist you. Thank you for your support with this.

REMINDERS:

Holidays in term time

Unfortunately we have seen a rise in the number of holiday requests being made for this term. The Academy will only authorise holidays in term time in exceptional circumstances as the impact of time off school can be significant. Penalty notices will be issued for un-agreed holidays taken in term time. This includes cases where holidays are not requested but still taken.

Parent Coffee Mornings

Below are the dates of our parent coffee mornings. All are welcome from 9am-10am.

Friday 8th June 2018 Hall
Friday 6th July 2018 Hall

School Photographs

The next session of individual children's photographs will take place on **Friday 5th October**.

Dates for your Diary

14.05.18 - 24.05.18
18.05.18
18.5.18
22.05.18

25.05.18
04.06.18 - 07.06.18

11.06.18 - 14.06.18

19.06.18

20.06.18

28.06.18

29.06.18

02.07.18

04.07.18

13.07.18

W/B 16.07.18

20.07.18

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Feedback

As ever we welcome feedback. Please email primary@bluecoat.uk.com or speak to the staff in the office. Please let us know what we are doing well or give us any constructive ideas for improvement

Year 2 SATS Tests
Royal Wedding Celebrations
Y3/4 sleepover
BPFF Beach Party
(Please note there will be no afterschool clubs on this date)

INSET DAY
Whole School Theme Week
Linked to UN World Environment Day & Bilborough Arts Festival
Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
World Book Day Events
Book Fair on until 26.06.18
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Bilborough Arts Festival
Children meet their new teachers
Sports Day
End of year report out to parents
Last Day of Term