

# **Baildon Church of England Primary School**

## **NEWSLETTER**

Friday 29th April

#### THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

We hope you all enjoyed time with family and friends over the Easter Holidays. We are now beginning our third and final term of the academic year and we have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for children of all ages to enjoy. Today, you will receive your child's class curriculum newsletter which outlines for you what they will be learning in school between now and Spring Bank. Next week, we will be sharing our updated calendar with you, which contains key dates for all of the events taking place between now and the summer holidays; please can we ask you to check this carefully when it comes out as some dates have changed due to the availability of external providers.

At Easter, we also reached the end of our consultation phase for our conversion to academy status and next week we will share with you an updated list of frequently asked questions which we hope will answer any questions you may have. At present, the Local Authority are working towards a conversion date around the summer holidays, but we are waiting for them to finalise this. We will share regular updates with you on this process over the weeks to come.

Over the Easter Holidays, the Local Authority shared Reception Allocations for September 2022 with parents and carers and we are excited to be welcoming a number of siblings into next year's Reception cohort. Once all of the return forms have been received we will write to you with details of our Nursery/Reception Open Evening.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

Monday is a Bank Holiday, so we return to school on Tuesday next week. We know that Eid is likely to fall on the beginning of next week, so would like to take the opportunity to wish a very happy Eid to all in our school family who will be celebrating. If your child will be taking a day of religious observance to celebrate Eid, then please just let the office know.

Our Reception children are very excited about their school visit to Nell Bank on Wednesday where they will be hunting for the Gruffalo! If your child is in Reception and you have any questions about the trip, please don't hesitate to contact the Reception team through the office. Do have a look at our Twitter page for highlights of their trip. @BaildonCE

On Wednesday afternoon, a group of our upper KS2 children will be taking part in the a Tag Rugby Festival at Baildon Rugby Club and we wish all those taking part the best of luck!

As mentioned above, next week, we will be sending out our updated calendar with key information and dates about the rest of the academic year.

#### **VALUES FOR LIFE**

This week, we were delighted to welcome Canon Sandra into school to lead Collective Worship for us. Canon Sandra talked about how Christians celebrate the light of Christ returning to the world on Easter Day. She brought in the Paschal Candle (Easter Candle) from St John's to show the children and she also said a special prayer for our own school Easter Candle.

#### **STAFF UPDATE**

Just before Easter, we appointed Miss McLaughlan as a new Year 2 teacher for our school. In September, Miss Firth will move to Year 4 as Mrs Holmes will have completed her temporary contract with us and will be 'travelling the world', which she delayed due to Covid. Our grateful thanks go to Mrs Holmes for 'rejoining the team' in January to support the school.

#### **SOAR AWARDS**

3HS-Tabitha, Caitlin, Freddie 4H-Tallulah, Aashir, Ellie 5S– Bella, Jay, Harry S 6B - Henry, Hetty, William

3S-Tobias, Ella R, Sam S 4AW-Harry, Dulcie, Samuel 5W– Louie, Rocky, Ava 6V - Ciaran, Myla, George

#### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

Tues: Bacon Chop/Spaghetti in Tomato Sauce or a Jacket Wed: Chilli Con Carne/Vegetable Risotto Aranchini or a Jacket Thurs: Salmon & Tomato Pasta Bake/Macaroni Cheese or a Jacket

Fri: Chicken Katsu Curry / Pumpkin Katsu Curry or a Jacket

### **NOTICEBOARD**

BUY A BRICK FIELD

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break. We are holding our next PTFA meeting on Monday 9th May at 7pm in the school hall, we will be discussing the events/fairs which we plan to hold in the Summer term.





We are eager to get the funds in place for our new library so the bigger events will possibly allow us to get to our target quicker. However, as we all know larger events take a lot of planning, organising and people to run them so if you could offer any ideas, your help or time then we would be delighted to hear from you or please come along to

the meeting.

We are delighted that our 'Buy a Brick' Campaign has so far raised £1375! Thank you to everyone who has supported our campaign and we hope that you will continue to encourage everyone you know to 'Buy a Brick' too! To make a donation please use or share the link or QR code above





#### Our SOARing advocates for change!

Congratulations to Amelie in Y4, Abigail in Y5 and Hannah in Y6 for their fantastic fundraising efforts in support of our local foodbank and a charity supporting Ukraine. The girls helped to organise and run a bake and plant sale over two weeks at Baildon Methodist Church and between them raised £250! Well done to all involved!



**02.05.22** May Day Bank Holiday

04.05.22 Reception Nell Bank Visit

Tag Rugby Festival

**05.04.22** 1M rescheduled Parents' Consultation 3.40pm - 6.00pm

**09.05.22** Y6 SATs Week

PTFA Meeting in the school hall at 7.00pm

10.05.22 1M rescheduled Parents' Consultation 3.40pm - 6.00pm

12.05.22 1M rescheduled Parents' Consultation 3.40pm - 5.30pm

17.05.22 Nursery Tropical World Visit

Brownlee Triathlon UKS2

20.05.22 Reception 'Tiger who came to tea' Tea Party

**25.05.22** Soar Council visit to 'The Good Food Project' in Keighley

27.05.22 Dragon Boat Charity Non-uniform Day and Bun Sale

End of term



Throughout the month of July, we are going to be holding a SOAR Festival in school. More details will follow, but essentially this will be an enhanced and re-developed version of what was previously 'Healthy Schools Week'.

On Friday July 15th, after school, we are going to be holding a Summer Festival with the PTFA, and Mrs Armstrong is looking for musical groups to perform in the hall throughout the event - she would very much welcome parent volunteers with a musical talent to 'step forward' to perform in a slot!! If you think you might like to support this event, please do get in touch with Mrs Armstrong.

#### **COVID Update**

Current guidance advises that children who have tested positive for COVID should remain at home for three days and not attend school. We will continue to notify parents and carers of all confirmed positive cases in school.