



THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have joined us this week for our KS1 and EYFS Nativity Performances. Both groups of children delighted their audiences with their fantastic singing, dancing, acting and reading. Huge thanks go to all of the staff involved in leading the rehearsals and to those who came along to support each evening.

On Wednesday, a group of our Year 4 children took part in a local football tournament and played exceptionally well. Congratulations to all those who took part.

Yesterday, our SOAR Council led collective worship for the whole school on the theme of 'hope at Christmas'. They shared the traditional tale of 'Papa Panov' and we all enjoyed hearing the message of Christmas hope which the children shared with us.

Today has been our eagerly anticipated 'Christmas Dinner Day' in school! Nathan and his team prepared a mouth-watering Christmas feast for us all to enjoy. Our thanks go to all of our catering team for their fantastic efforts this week.

Next Week

On Monday and Tuesday, many of our musicians will be involved in rehearsals for our annual Christmas Music Concert. Please can you ensure that your child has their instrument and music in school on both of these days if they are involved in the concert.

Our Christmas Music Concerts are taking place at 1.30pm and 6.30pm on Tuesday and we are all looking forward to hearing the different ensemble and solo performances. As with the Nativity performances, we have allocated one audience seat per child for each performance and we will be signing audience members in under their children's names, rather than giving out tickets.

On Wednesday morning at 10.30am, we are holding our annual KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church. Parents and carers are welcome to join us for the service, but please be aware that there is very limited seating available.

We will be sending home the children's PE kits / musical instruments etc on Thursday as they will not be needed next Friday.

Next Friday is the last day of term and our 'Christmas Celebration Day'. Children can come to school on this day in non-school uniform and can also wear a Christmas jumper if they would like to. There is also the opportunity for you to send your child into school with an optional cash donation of £1 for 'Save the Children' on this day. During the day, Mrs Stead and Mrs Clough will be hosting 'Santa's Secret Room' for those children who are taking part. There will also be the 'staff nativity' and the 'PTFA pantomime' during the day. Finally, we are expecting a visit from Father Christmas himself!

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Mon: Fish & Chips/Tomato Penne or a Jacket

Tues: Mild Chicken Curry Chickpea & Veg Curry or a Jacket

Wed: Chicken Lollipops/Falafel or a Jacket

Thurs: Pasta Bolognese/Broccoli, Greens & Cheese Pasta or a Jacket

Fri: Pepperoni Pizza/Margherita Pizza or a Jacket

NOTICEBOARD

PTFA Update

CHRISTMAS BAUBLES – This year the PTFA have gifted every child in school a Christmas Bauble to decorate and add to their class well wishes Christmas Tree on their class room door. This is an alternative to individual Christmas cards which is a fantastic way to reduce waste. A HUGE thank you to Jenny McVay and her mum Jill for cutting out and donating the baubles!

FESTIVE SHOPPING - If you are shopping for gifts please remember to use the links below to sign up at Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile and nominate us as your charity of choice! Easyfundraising is great as there are over 4500 well-known retailers to choose from such as Argos, H&M, John Lewis, M&S, Etsy, Sports Direct and Just Eat to name just a few! This is FREE money for our school and at no extra cost to you, please follow our link to sign up and shop! https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/balidoncoeschoolptfa/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=en-e1

Amazon Smile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases, again at no extra cost to you. It's simple to convert your current Amazon account to a Smile account and nominate our school The Church School Baildon PTFA by following this link: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1100442-0>

TWITTER & INSTAGRAM - To keep up to date with our news and events please follow us at [baildonce_ptfa](https://twitter.com/baildonce_ptfa)

Nursery Collection Time

To enable us to offer our full 30 hours of provision, our official session end time for Nursery is 3.30pm. We know that this late finish can be challenging for parents and carers with children in other classes, so we are happy to confirm that we have been given the 'ok' from the local authority for parents to collect their Nursery children early (from 3.20pm onwards) if they would like to. Please note that the official end time for the session will continue to be 3.30pm, so there is no expectation that children will be collected early.

Arrival at school in the morning

Please can we remind you that our EYFS, KS1 and KS2 doors now close at 8.50am. If your child arrives in school after this time, they will need to sign in at the main office. Thanks for your support with this.

Online Safety Tips!

Mr Van der Gucht looks after 'online safety' in school and he has collated a wide range of resources to support parents and carers in keeping their children safe online. These resources can be accessed through the safeguarding section of our school website. Please click on the link below to take you directly to his 'Online Safety Guide for Parents and Carers'.

https://baildonce.co.uk/wordpress_CE/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/2022-E-safety-Parent-Guide-Feb.pptx.pdf

Upcoming Dates

- 13.12.22 Christmas Music Concert at 1.30pm and 6.30pm (letters will be sent to all those involved. There is one parent ticket per child, per performance)
- 14.12.22 KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church at 10.30am. Parents welcome to attend, but please be aware that there is limited seating available
- 16.12.22 Christmas Jumper Day and PTFA Santa's Secret Room (there will also be a Staff Nativity, the PTFA pantomime and a visit from Father Christmas on this day!) Children can wear 'non-uniform' on this day with their Christmas jumpers. This is also the last day of term.

Contacting Breakfast Club

We now have a dedicated Breakfast Club email address which will be 'checked' each morning. If you have any specific queries for Breakfast Club staff, please can we ask you to use this new email address moving forwards: breakfast-club@baildonce.co.uk

Absence following sickness

Please can we remind you that if your child is absent with any type of stomach upset, then NHS advice is that they should remain at home until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.