



The Bader Bugle



Autumn Term 9

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A message from Mr Hodgson

A challenging week, this week in school, with 3 Year group bubbles having to close due to positive cases in the bubbles. I feel that it is worth emphasising again the Government campaign to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus:-



2 of the 3 requests readily apply at the school gates:- please keep your distance from other families and wear a face covering. This will help us to help you keep everyone safe. Thank you again for those parents/carers who do this. The very small consolation in all of this is the speed that we manage to get messages out about closure, sort care packages and devices out for those families who are eligible and upload on-line learning via 'Seesaw'. Staff also, are on hand to mark, feedback and support in any way they can.

Read for the Stars

More recipients of reaching the sun for the first time in this academic year, this week. The following children today, received their book, a certificate and a bookmark, in assembly, for being the second batch of superstar readers. A very big well done to:



Keavey Williams, Jenson Hilton, Sadie Carroll, Oliver Papprell, Jasmine Cunningham & Ralph Dollard.

We ask that children read a minimum of 4 times a week in Early Years and Key Stage 1 and 5 times a week in Key Stage 2 (up to the maximum of seven times a week). We would love children to read more than 1 book/chapter a night at home but they will only have 1 stamp a day recorded in their reading rocket card. They work their way through the planets until they reach the sun and then as a reward for their enjoyment of books (and their work), they will receive a certificate and book of their choice in assembly (and their star on our display). Please support school and read with your child or encourage them to read aloud to you or to find a quiet place and lose themselves in a really good book.

Christmas

I highlighted, last week, how we still intend to celebrate Christmas in school how best we can and this week, more ideas have been planned and suggested. Our Christmas tree will be delivered at the beginning of December and that's when the celebrations will begin – safely, of course.



Christmas Jumper Day



One of the charity events we will be supporting this year is 'Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day' on **Friday 11th December** for a donation of £1. Bader Parliament will be organising this event.

Twitter



We now have an amazing **2226** followers on Twitter. **Don't miss out!** You can catch up on all the exciting learning that has been captured on Twitter in the last week (@BaderPrimary) for postings of the latest news and events going on in school. Also, check out our school website:

<http://www.bader.org.uk/>

Christmas Cards

Can I please request that when the time comes (not in November!), children may bring Christmas cards to school if they wish. These will be placed in the Santa post box for 48 hours before being delivered by Santa's elves (some of our super, sensible Year 6's). This year, also, each phase and Key Stage will still be sharing (via Class Dojo) a short celebration of Christmas with appropriate music and readings.

Anti-Bullying Week

We are taking part in Odd Socks Day on Monday 16th November, the first day of Anti Bullying Week, to help raise awareness of bullying. Odd Socks Day is an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves by celebrating their individuality and what makes us all unique. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks to school! Children will be learning more about bullying – what constitutes bullying and what doesn't. It is worth reminding ourselves that bullying is repeated, intended to hurt someone either physically or emotionally and can take many forms from name calling to teasing and cyber bullying. The key word here is **repeated**. Bader Primary School does not tolerate bullying in any form and will seek to stamp it out if it ever occurs.

After School Clubs

You will be aware that PE after school clubs have swapped over this half term now. School has ensured that these important fitness clubs have continued and are delivered by our new Sports Coach, Mr Butters. Mr Butters' enthusiasm is certainly rubbing off on the children as their happiness and their enjoyment while doing PE is very obvious when I observe them. Indeed, every week, Mr Butters chooses a Sports Star in each Key Stage, rewarded in one of our Zoom assemblies.

Uniform

We are proud of our school and our school motto of 'Aiming High'. The vast majority of our children follow the uniform policy which gives a real sense of belonging to our community. This is just a reminder that acceptable footwear is flat black shoes or black plain trainers please. Children will be expected to change into black plimsolls inside if they wear inappropriate footwear. Information about our uniform can be found on our school website www.bader.org.uk

Dates for your diaries

Second half-Autumn term:- Monday 2nd November to Friday 18th December 2020

Professional Development Day: School closed Friday 27th November

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day: Friday 11th December



Remembrance Day and the Poppy Appeal

Thank you once again for supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, as we do every year. This week, not the usual minute's silence was observed. However, the magic of technology meant we could mark the occasion by Zoom with Miss Robson, fabulously playing 'The Last Post' to children and staff. This occasion was marked impeccably and the respect shown made me and the staff here, immensely proud.



Curriculum

We are continuing to teach an ambitious a broad and balanced curriculum, post lockdown, in all subjects. Here is a selection of Twitter posts this week.

