



The Bader Bugle



Spring Term 12
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8th April 2022

A message from Mr Hodgson

A really busy day today to end a really busy week and really busy term in school. We had the Easter egg raffle draw today with Bader Parliament and Friends of Bader organising this again. We also had the very brilliant, award winning author, Pete Murray and his good lady Wife Kath in school, signing copies of his popular 'Mokee Joe' series of books. All this, plus the usual Friday celebration assembly!

School Dinner

Unfortunately, we have been advised by the school meals service that the cost of a school meal is to increase from 19th April to £2.40. This is due to significant price increases in food costs from their supplier.

Morning clubs / Sports clubs / After school clubs

The first week back after Easter (w/c 25th April 2022) we will **NOT** be running any of the above clubs. This is to give us the opportunity to organise and evaluate the clubs to be offered in the summer term. **Early morning boosters, revision and writing sessions will take place as normal.**

Sports Coach

I am absolutely delighted to inform you all that our new sports coach, Mr Gunn, will be starting his role at our school in the first week of May. Mr Gunn has many years teaching experience, has a great passion for sport and a huge commitment to P.E. and school sport, hence my pleasure in securing his services for your children. We intend to have a major overhaul of P.E. in school, in order to increase participation in competitions and to hopefully earn the Gold School Games Award.

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle drawn today raised an incredible £473.11 – WOW!! Thank you for all your donations and for supporting this event. Friends of Bader always ensure that any money that has been raised in this way goes back to the children of Bader by subsidising things like Year 6 leaver's hoodies, Christmas events etc. (The Year 6 leaver's hoodies ordered just today have, for example, been subsidised by F.O.B.).

Dates for your diaries

Easter Term Monday 28th February 2022- Friday 8th April 2022

Summer Term 1 Monday 25th April 2022- Friday 27th May 2022

Summer Term 2 Tuesday 7th June 2022- Thursday 21st July 2022 (Monday 6th June is the extra day for the Queen's Jubilee)

2 Professional Developments days still to take.

Twitter



Our Twitter followers are currently **2393** which is amazing. **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, please follow us on Twitter. Also, check out our school website:

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



Attendance

Good Attendance and Punctuality = Good Learning

The importance of being punctual and coming to school can never be underestimated, in terms of contributing massively to children's learning. We have started slowly with attendance and cannot stress how important it is that children are in school. (Covid excepted)

Attendance goal 96%

Week commencing 28th March 2022

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite/Kirton	92.4%	3
REC Mrs Bailey	91.4%	1
Y1 Mrs Britton	94%	3
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Miss Teasdale	97.8% 	1
Y2 Miss Jones	91.8%	3
Y2 Miss Ferens	91.5%	2
Y3 Mrs Jones/ Miss Tyerman	91.8%	5
Y3 Miss Mudgway	94.8%	1
Y4 Miss Beckwith	88.4%	2
Y4 Miss Weir	93.3%	0 
Y5 Miss Tierney	69%	1
Y5 Miss Robson	94.4%	4
Y6 Miss Rider	91.8%	3
Y6 Miss Horrigan	92.1%	2



100% Attendance
245 children from Reception to Year 6 had full attendance last week (75.85%)

Attendance Update

Please continue to work with us with regards to attendance. Holiday applications cannot be authorised now as 'exceptional circumstances'.

Read for the Stars

Reading and a love of reading is so, so important which is why we, at Bader Primary School promote this and encourage it so much. Our 'Read for the Stars' home reading initiative works like this: 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).

More successful readers this again week, well done to **Mia Cooper-Wilkinson, Alicia Blackburn, Millie Foxton, Evie Chambers, Charlie Smyth, Jacob Davies, Olive Smith, Lula Bryan, Chloe Brack and Imani Deen** for reaching the sun for the second time and also, well done to **Rocco Frost, James Wardell, Roko Adeleke and Reggie McMahon** for reaching the sun for the first time.

We would love children to read more than 1 book/chapter a night at home but they will only have 1 stamp a day as a 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).

Easter is a great time to lose yourself in a really good book!



Pen Licence

For children who have beautifully formed, joined handwriting, their reward is a 'Pen Licence'. This allows them to use a pen for all writing in school. Also, they are presented with a certificate in assembly, are given a pen licence card to carry with them and are given a special place in the hall on our 'Roll of Honour' board. This week's lucky pupils to receive their licence, as endorsed by the Pen Inspector General (me) are: **Tabitha Cassey, Georgia Watson, Aayah Iqbal and Lacie Frost.**



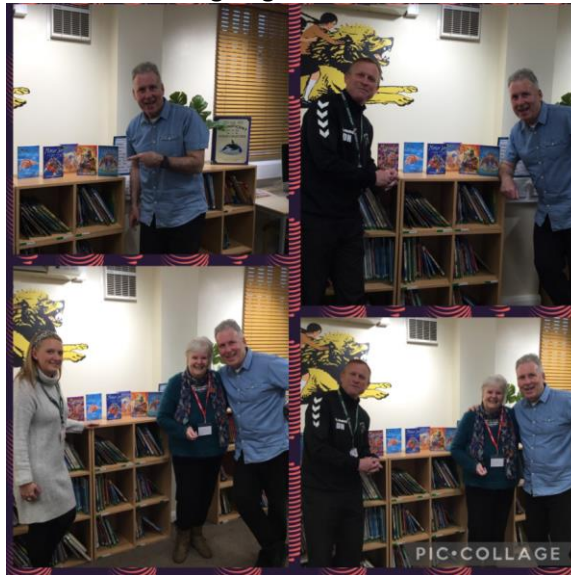
Super Spellers

We continue to push with spelling in school this year. The class Spelling Bee is a weekly class reward for the class with the best spellings scores and an individual reward of a 'Super Speller' certificate and a pencil are earned by any of our children who achieve full marks in their spelling tests consistently. The latest recipients are as follows: **Jack Duff.**



Author Visit

We were very fortunate this week, too, to have a visit from the award winning children's author, Pete Murray. Pete entertained Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 with two assemblies and shared some of his inspirations and stories, throughout. Today, Pete and his wife, Kath, returned to Bader for a book signing sessions in our new library.



Rights Respecting School

Summer term's newsletter will be published after half term. Next year, we hope to be awarded the 'Gold' standard to build on our bronze and silver awards so far.

Beat the Street

The competition will end next Wednesday (13th April) and we have almost caught St Patrick's. Let's have a big push in the last five days and see if we can win any prizes for Bader – We can do it!!



Writing

Well done to those children who are having a go at the writing challenges in this newsletter. Please encourage your child with this and send their efforts into school where they will be suitably rewarded, this week's story starter and image is below:

Story Starter

The girls huddled together and peered cautiously out of their bedroom window. Just moments earlier, they had been awoken by a strange light that burst through their curtains, filling the room with a silvery, white hue.

As one, they had tip-toed towards the source of the distraction, carefully dragging chairs across the room with them so that they could take a peek together.

They stared in awe and wonder at the sight that met their eyes. Something magical happened...

Continue the story.



Next steps for living with COVID – changes announced from Friday 1st April.

Following the plans announced by the Prime Minister in February around living with COVID, further changes come into effect from Friday 1st April. These changes are related to the ending of most universal access to free symptomatic and asymptomatic COVID testing.

From 1st April (today):

- Regular asymptomatic testing will no longer be recommended in SEND, alternative provision and children's social care settings. This follows the end of regular asymptomatic testing in mainstream schools in February.
- Anyone with a positive COVID-19 test result will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be three days.**
- People with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, and a high temperature or who feel unwell, will be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature will be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

We are anticipating further guidance to be published about infection prevention control in settings, and will share this when it is available.

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/03/30/living-with-covid-the-end-of-routine-testing-in-schools-colleges-and-childcare-settings/>

Curriculum

We continue to teach as ambitious broad and balanced curriculum as possible in all subjects. Here is a selection of twitter posts this week

Nursery enjoyed their Easter themed Maths challenge.



Reception have been on a shape hunt



Year 1 enjoyed their trip to Seaton Carew



Year 2 exploring different vegetables in DT



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Year 3 loved their visit from Ivan from Thornaby Library



Year 4 have enjoyed making Pao de queso



Year 5 have completed Level 1 bikeability



Year 6 have enjoyed meeting Peter Murray and getting signed copies of his book



Head Teachers Award

This week's Head Teacher award goes to a young lady in Year 4, Nyla Smith. Nyla had her lovely long hair cut off, in aid of the charity Little Princess Trust raising £290 in the process. What a marvellous, thoughtful thing to do – Well done Nyla!



Have a lovely Easter break. School is now closed until Monday 25th April for the start of summer term.
We can't wait!

Mr Hodgson