





Autum Term 9

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A message from Mr Hodgson

What a wet week that was! I think I must have been a weather forecaster in a former life as I always seem to reference the weather recently! What I would say is to please try your best to make sure your child has appropriate footwear and clothing as we enter this period of the year- dark, wet and miserable: it is just as well that school is full of excitement and laughter!

School Attendance Officer

The last two weeks, we have introduced our SENDO, Mrs Douthwaite and our Parent Support Adviser, Mrs Mulligan – this week it is turn of Mr Garbutt, our School Attendance Officer:

My role in school is to monitor and improve attendance and punctuality of children. The aim of this is that children who attend regularly are more likely to achieve age related expectations in school and go on to attend well in secondary school.

My day to day duties include identifying patterns and percentages of absence and lateness and sharing school's concerns, in line with Government directives from the Department of Education. I work closely with Mrs Jatwa, our Deputy Head Teacher and Attendance Champion, who may need to take additional steps to help families resolve attendance concerns. I also have a duty to report to the Local Authority Attendance Service any issues that fall within their scope of work so that they can take the required steps to ensure children attend school regularly.

I value the positive relationships I have with the families of our Bader children. Our sharing of attendance and punctuality issues and concerns ensures that school fully understands any potential issues and challenges so that the educational entitlement of the children is upheld.



Read for the Stars

They keep on coming – the next group of regular readers, reaching the sun for the 1st time this academic year are: Jackson Charlton, Aahria Iqbal, Katie McGrath, Isla Bowe, Josh McCue, Florence Allison and Ivy North. Well done to all of these boys and girls!

All 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). Children who are not reading at home now will need to read in school, at playtime, if this is a regular occurrence, and is 'in line with' our home/school agreement.

If any parent/carer has any specific or particular questions about reading and learning to read, please speak to your child's class teacher. We have held a number of events so far this year to do with reading and are happy to do more, if yourselves, as parents and carers, would like this to happen.

Thank you for your support.

Super Spellers

As advised last week, we are again working really hard with the children to help them to successfully learn their weekly spelling words. Well done to: **Rocco Green, Maggie Leeson, Nyla Smith, Harley Atkins and Sam O'Connell** for successfully gaining full marks consecutively for 5 weeks.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

This year, in Year 4, the children will undertake a multiplication test as part of the requirements set by the government. Learning times table is so important and so this week, teachers chose one child who has been trying really hard to do this- a mouth-watering hot chocolate was their reward today!



Remembrance Service: Cenotaph in Thornaby

Last Sunday, Miss Weir, Mrs Watson and Mrs Bryan were accompanied by some past and present members of Bader Parliament to the annual remembrance service, held at the Cenotaph in Thornaby. Their behaviour was impeccable and so respectful – real role models of the Bader Community.



Twitter

Our Twitter followers are currently **2487** 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/

Dates for your diaries!

Monday 21st November: Non uniform day/ bring a bottle/chocolate Thursday 1st December: Christmas Fayre, Christmas tree up in school Thursday 6th December: Year 2 One Snowy Night Visit Wednesday 7th December: EYFS Nativity 9.30am Thursday 8th December: Year 1 One Snowy Night Visit Thursday 8th December: Year 1 One Snowy Night Visit Thursday 8th December: EYFS Nativity 2pm Friday 9th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children Friday 9th December: Christmas dinner Monday 12th December: Year 3 Christmas Carols Tuesday 13th December: Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance 2pm Tuesday 13th December: Year 4 Christmas Carols Wednesday 14th December: Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance 9.30am Wednesday 14th December: Year 5 Christmas Carols Thursday 15th December: Year 6 Christmas Carols Friday 15th December: Year 6 Christmas Carols

Anti-Bullying Week

This week, in school as you know was Anti-Bullying week. The children have done lots of learning around this to help them understand what bullying is and at the same time understanding that everyone is different.



One of the main messages the children have learnt is that bullying is <u>repeated</u> behaviour and can take many forms from physical bullying (hitting, kicking etc), verbal bullying (teasing, insults etc), social bullying (lying and spreading rumours etc) and cyber bullying (posting/sending hurtful texts or emails)etc.

Road Safety Week

This week has also been Road Safety Week. Our Junior Road Safety Officers went out yesterday to monitor road safety around school at drop off time. <u>This is also</u> <u>timely as we have had a number of complaints</u> <u>lately about inconsiderate parking.</u>

See over 💼

These are some of the dangers that our JRSOs noticed this morning:

Cars stopping on the yellow zig zags at both school entrances, making it difficult for other cars to pass, and dangerous for children crossing the road.

Cars pulling over the kerb and onto grass verges.

Cars parking on single white lines (this is not against the law, but the white line is to discourage parking in order to keep our children safe).

Medical Needs

It is really important that school is aware of any changes to your child's medical needs. Please let Mrs Mulligan know if there are any changes so school can update their records.

Contact Details

Again, up to date telephone numbers and addresses (ideally), are vital in order for school to be kept informed of circumstance changes. Please inform the school office of any changes. Thank you in anticipation.

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.

Attendance goal 96%

Week commencing 7th November 2022

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite/Kirton	84.5%	4
REC Miss McCall	93.89%	3
Y1 Mrs Ayre	82%	5
Y1 Miss Teasdale	84.09%	1
Y2 Mrs Jones	88.82%	5
Y2 Mrs S Jones	88.83%	4
Y3 Miss Beckwith	93.81%	3
Y3 Miss Weir	99.09%	1
Y4 Mrs Mudgway	92.38%	5
Y4 Miss Robson	96.32%	7
Y5 Mrs Spencer	92.4%	2
Y5 Miss Dunn	93.46%	4
Y6 Miss Rider	88.93%	2
Y6 Miss Horrigan	92.5%	5

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ATTENDANCE DURING ONE SCHOOL YEAR	EQUALS APPROXIMATE DAYS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY WEEKS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY LESSONS MISSED
95%	9 days	2 weeks	40 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	80 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	120 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	160 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11 ½ weeks	230 lessons
65%	67 days	13 ½ weeks	270 lessons

Attendance Update

Unfortunately, not a good week for attendance again-only 90% as an average across school. Our target remains 96%. There has been some illness but we ask that children attend school if they can manage the day.

Mrs Jatwa, our Attendance Champion, has begun attendance support meetings with some of our families to try to work together to improve attendance.

There has been 46 lates across school this week (better than last week). 8 persistent absences letters have been sent out, 8 unauthorised absence letters issued and 2 Term Time Leave of absence letters issued. Please contact Mrs Jatwa or Mr Garbutt for any support or guidance to help with an attendance issue.

Goodbye but not farewell

It is with mixed feelings that I must let you know that Miss Rider will be leaving our school at Christmas for a new challenge, initially away from education.

Miss Rider, has a long association with Bader Primary, having worked here since 2010, holding various roles including her promotion as Assistant Head Teacher in 2018 and also working as a Primary Improvement Specialist within our Trust.

We will miss her hard work and dedication to Bader and would like to place on record our thanks for all her efforts. The good news is we have appointed, Mr Robinson, as phase lead, Assistant Head Teacher from January 2023.

Children in Need

Today, we donned our spots as we had an afternoon carousel of activities to mark 'Children In Need' day. The culmination of the day was trying to fill the Pudsey's with copper coin donations and we succeeded! (Thank you for these donations)



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 have been mark making in the puddles

Reception are enthusiastic to squiggle while wiggling



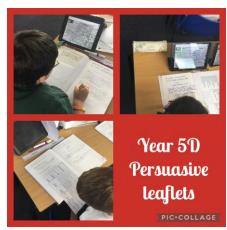
Year 1 have practised their cursive handwriting



Year 3 created symmetrical balances in PE



Year 5 have started writing their own persuasive leaflets about a Roman Fort





Year 2 have been learning about a 3rd mechanism



Year 4 have explored a range of different cultures and religions



Year 6 have started their DT project of making a Victorian



Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson