



The Bader Bugle



Autum Term 7

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A message from Mr Hodgson

A spooky start to the second half of Autumn term- clocks back and Halloween Monday!

What an exciting busy week it has been too with:

- Ivan, from Stockton library visiting school to launch (in Year 5), Stockton Children's book of the Year (we love this event and are involved every year)
- Dave, from Durham University, visiting Year 2 for their learning about the Great Fire of London
- Year 6 have been on a visit to Preston Park, as part of their studies about the Victorians
- Year 5, out today at Arbeia Roman fort in South Shields, as part of their topic
- Tees Valley music service in school teaching Year 5 the ukulele and in Year 4, samba drumming
- Miss Ferens and the nursery staff holding a cosy reading event after school

What a week!

Special Educational Needs

Mrs Douthwaite, one of school's Assistant Heads, is also our school SENDCO (Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator)

Here is a message from her:

Hello,

My role is to coordinate SEN support in school. I ensure we have high expectations for our children. I work alongside class teachers and external agencies to make sure the best possible provision is in place. I am available to support parents/carers with questions or concerns. Please do not hesitate to contact me via Dojo or phone. I will do my best to help.



Read for the Stars

These 19 superstars are the first in school to reach the sun in our home reading initiative. A very big well done to: **Meg Fletcher-Hill, Rosie Joyce, Mia Todd, Saif Ahmed, Rhia Grey, Sadie Carroll, Ella Johnson, Dylan Roberts, Jake Pinchbeck, Zakk Vale, Scarlett Roberts, Frankie Jayne Vale, Lacie Frost, Isobel Potter, Bobby Leeson, Alex Bryan, Logan Daniels, Finlay Scott, Millie Williams and Safferah Deen.**

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.

Thank you for your support.

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 on our 'Roll of Honour' board.

This week's lucky pupil to receive their licence, as endorsed by the Pen Inspector General (me) is **Rhia Grey and Imogen Brown.**



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 spelling test consistently.

The latest recipients are as follows: **Olivia Suckling, Jake Mylan, Isaac Hindby, Lottie Brown, Afiya Ahmed and Evie Chambers.**



Hot Chocolate with the Head

For being the first group of children to reach the sun plus the 2 children who received Head Teacher awards this week, were treated to a yummy hot chocolate today. Well done to them all again!



Poppy Appeal

This week Bader Parliament have started selling poppies in school to raise money for the Royal British Legion. There are a number of different accessories for sale as well as paper poppies. These will be sold in school until 11th November.



Christmas Jumper



**Save the
Children**

One of the charity events we will be supporting this year is 'Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 10th December. We ask for a donation of £1, Bader Parliament will organise this event more details to follow later.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner in school is on Friday 10th December. Children who normally have packed lunch on this day and would like a school dinner then, can do so. The cost of a school dinner is £2.40. Please contact the school office to organise this.

Twitter



Our Twitter followers are currently **2480** 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/>

Children in Need

Children In Need day is on **Friday 18th November**, and to help support the charity, we will be asking the children to come to school dressed in something spotty with their normal school uniform. For example, they could wear a spotty t-shirt with their school trousers/skirt. If your child doesn't have anything spotty in their wardrobe, you could even stick or draw some spots onto a plain t-shirt.

We are asking the children to bring in a small donation in loose change, which they will use to place on a giant Pudsey throughout the day.

Please note: This is NOT a non-uniform day.

Remember to check out our school Twitter page for photographs from the day.



Harvest

Thank you all once again for your kind donations to our recent harvest festival collection and well done to Year 4 for celebrating this event with their parents and carers before half term.

Halloween Parties

A big thank you too from Friends of Bader following the very successful Halloween parties held before half term. Both events were very well attended and the funds raised have gone towards Christmas treats for the children – watch this space for what they are!

Head Teacher Award

These two children have received Head Teacher awards today, Georgia for raising money for bone cancer and Logan for holding a toy tombola and donating the proceeds to school, where he asked us to buy some books for the school library – what superstars they are!



Dates for your diaries

Autum Term: Monday 5th September to Friday 16th December.

Professional Development Days: Monday 19th December and Tuesday 20th December.



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 17th October 2022

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite/Kirton	88.75%	2
REC Miss McCall	92.36%	1
Y1 Mrs Ayre	89.5%	7
Y1 Miss Teasdale	86.93%	1
Y2 Mrs Jones	98.53%	0 
Y2 Mrs S Jones	90.97%	2
Y3 Miss Beckwith	94.05%	2
Y3 Miss Weir	99.43% 	3
Y4 Mrs Mudgway	90.48%	5
Y4 Miss Robson	88.82%	5
Y5 Mrs Spencer	94.5%	2
Y5 Miss Dunn	89.9%	4
Y6 Miss Rider	98.66%	3
Y6 Miss Horrigan	93.75%	4



Attendance Update

The expectation for whole school attendance is 95%. This week school is at 94.28%. Absences must be reported to school. If no reason is given, this will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Unauthorised absences are of concern, and every effort will go into finding out the reasons for non-attendance at school.

When attendance falls below 90% this is now Persistent Absence. At this stage, Mrs Jatwa, our Deputy Head Teacher, looks into the history of absence with Mr Garbutt and begins a sequence of contact with families to offer help and support towards improving attendance. School has issued 5 Attendance Warning letters due to concerns for non-attendance. If you would like to discuss attendance concerns please contact school. This week there have been 42 lates, so there have been 42 occasions where children have missed the start of their learning in class with their friends. Please work with us to improve this.

Christmas Performances

This year, Early Years and KS1 will be performing nativities and in KS2, there will be year group Christmas Songs and carols performed in the courtyard (similar to last year).

The dates for the nativity plays are as follows: **EYFS nativity** Wednesday 7th December 09.30am and Thursday 8th December 2pm.

Key Stage 1 Christmas performance Tuesday 13th December 2pm and Wednesday 14th December 09.30am

Key stage 2 dates will be advised next week.



Times Table Stars

A big focus, again this year, is learning times tables. Mrs Jones, one of our Maths leads set up class v class challenges recently. The winning classes were **Y6H, Y5D, Y4R and Y3B**

Most Valuable Player Connor Stockbridge, Isaac Huitson, Faris Ahmed and Jake Mylan

2nd Most Valuable Player Thomas Cooke, Oliver Titley, Oliver Nolan, Harley Ashcroft

3rd Most Valuable Player James Chambers, Derick Sanchez, Nyla Smith, Charlie Smyth

Well done TTRS!



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 love windy autumnal days



Reception enjoyed Halloween dough disco



Year 1 have learned about sorting animals according to different criteria



Year 2 have been exploring the outdoor area looking for microhabitat and mini beasts



Year 3 enjoyed their athletics tournament



Year 4 have been exploring how they can make electricity



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Year 5 trip to Arbeia South Shields



Year 6 trip to Preston Park



Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson