



The Bader Bugle



Spring Term 7

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17th February 2023

A message from Mr Hodgson

A wonderful last week in school before the half term break, culminating in our formal opening of the 'new' school library yesterday by the author, Tom Palmer and Miss Wood, our longest serving member of the school staff. See below.

Library Opening



Tom also toured most of the classes in KS2 yesterday afternoon and talked about lots of the 57 books that he has written.



***Tom said 'Writing can be difficult but if you read, it makes it easier'
'I make lots of mistakes when I am writing but that's how you learn!'
'I wasn't very good at football so I decided to write about it!'
'Anyone can do anything if you believe you can!'***



Read for the Stars

More children reaching the sun TWICE, a big well done to: **Elkie Parkinson, Henry O'Neil, Hazel Millward, Finley Lewis, Isobel Potter, Tommy Wright, Lauren Wilberforce, Ethan Lindo Gibson, Beatrix Cooper-Gers, Olivia Radcliffe, George Robinson and Holly Fox.**

Well done, also to these first timers:

Mylo Payne, Imogen Burrell, Derick Sanchez, Joulz Jarred, Ivy Rathbone and Jackson Moseley.

Reading every day is part of our home school agreement and home learning. Please 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.

Half term is a really good opportunity for children to do this. Thank you for your support.





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 6th February 2023

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite/Kirton	91.05%	6
REC Miss McCall	93.89%	2
Y1 Mrs Ayre	96.4%	8
Y1 Miss Teasdale	85%	1
Y2 Mrs Jones	95.88%	2
Y2 Mrs S Jones	94.09%	5
Y3 Miss Beckwith	85.79%	3
Y3 Miss Weir	99.09% 	4
Y4 Mrs Mudgway	93.18%	6
Y4 Miss Robson	92.86%	5
Y5 Mrs Spencer	97.2%	1
Y5 Miss Dunn	96.09%	5
Y6 Mr Robinson	99.61%	0 
Y6 Miss Horrigan	97.04%	4



Attendance Update

Week 6 attendance, unfortunately, was below the 95% target. As you can see from the chart above, that equates to 11 days absence across the school year and impacts on a child's education considerably.

Mr Garbutt, our attendance officer, issued, 4 term time leave of absence letters and 4 letters for unauthorised absence. Punctuality was better but still with 52 lates being recorded last week.

We did have 255 pupils with 100% attendance in week 6 though so well done to them! Also, we have 32 Children with 100% attendance since September and 122 children this half term. Well done to these children too!

Please contact Mrs Jatwa or Mr Garbutt for any support or guidance to help with an attendance issue.

Dates

Spring Term 1: Wednesday 4th January - Friday 17th February 2023

(**Half Term:** Week commencing 20th February 2023)

Spring Term 2: Monday 27th February 2023 – Friday 31st March 2023

(Easter weeks commencing 3rd April and 10th April 2023)

Twitter



Our Twitter followers are currently **2509** 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/>

School Crossing Update

We had a meeting in school, this week, with the Mayor, Mr Dalgarno, Councillor Moore, and members of the Police, to discuss the next steps to having a school crossing patrol warden on Thornaby Road. Overall, the meeting was productive and all involved are committed to improving the safety of the children at our school. There are financial constraints, of course, but it was agreed that this cannot detract from an improvement to the current situation. We will keep you informed.

Industrial Action Update

As advised last month, members of the NEU are holding a series of strike days in February and March 2023. The next affected day is Tuesday 28th February (first Tuesday after the half term break). This is to confirm that school will be OPEN to all year groups. There will be some unavoidable disruption to lessons on this day but all children are able to attend school.

Thank you for your support.

World Book Day

World book day, this year will take place on Thursday 2nd March. A letter will be posted out today about how we are planning to celebrate this important event.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

For some reason, the Friday before half term's attendance is always lower than the rest of the week. For Mrs Spencer's class, however, this is not the case they were the only class with 100% attendance TODAY and NO LATES so they were the recipients of hot chocolate with the Head. Well done to them!



Mid Year Learning Reviews

These have been organised for Wednesday 8th March and Thursday 9th March and a letter sent out earlier in the week. It is really important that you attend on one of these days in order to find out how your child is finding the learning in their particular year group. Attitudes to learning, behaviour, home learning, reading at home etc are all discussed in these 1:1 consultations and here we will suggest what are the next steps for your child.

Earthquake appeal

You donated a fantastic £373 today towards UNICEF's earthquake appeal! A really big thank you to everyone who donated.

Curriculum

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

Nursery enjoyed a trip to the library



Reception children had a great time following the journey from our Story 'Charlies walk'



Year 1 had a fantastic morning gardening as part of our hook day for our new text superworm



Year 2 are using a dot technique to create aboriginal art work.



Year 3 enjoyed their last PE session with Conyers



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Year 4 had a fun maths lesson outside



Year 5 were practising their basketball skills in PE



Year 6 have been writing in French about what features their ideal house would have



Have a lovely half term break. School re-opens on Monday 27th February.

Mr Hodgson