





Autumn Term 2

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A message from Mr Hodgson

We have had an excellent first full week in school with the children happily immersing themselves in their learning. The weather has been kind to us again, meaning we have had lots of opportunities for indoor and outdoor learning. Almost two years ago, we had a visit form OFSTED which rated our school as 'good'. One of my favourite quotes from that report was 'leaders have high expectations of what pupils will achieve'. This chimes well with our schools motto of 'aiming high'.

Best at Bader

Last week, as a school, I asked the staff to focus on the value of 'aiming high'. The first recipients of this award in each year group were as follows:

Reception: Joey Mount

Year 1: Elkie Parkinson and Darcie Cox

Year 2: Monica Stephenson and Evie Rose Carline

Year 3: Ella Wilkinson and Zachary Church Year 4: Ryan Trotter and Peyton Screene Year 5: Isaac Huitson and Charlie Savage Year 6: Suzie Tyers and Millie Williams Well done to them and for their efforts.

Dates for your diaries

Autumn Term: Wednesday 6th September to Tuesday 19th December. **Half Term Break:** Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November.

Professional Development Days Monday 4th September, Tuesday 5th September and Friday 1St December.

X



Our X followers are currently **2528** which is amazing. **Don't miss out!** You can catch up on all the exciting learning that has been captured on X in the last week (@BaderPrimary). For postings of the latest news and events going on in school, please follow us on X. Also, check out our school website: http://www.bader.org.uk/ Check out today's photographs too!

Summer Reading Challenge

Some extra children who completed school's summer reading challenge: Ivy North, Oliver Jackson, Mia Todd, Finley Lewis, Krystle Hagan, Olivia Bell and Henry O'Neil. Well done to them and the children again from last week.

Contact details/Medication

If there are any changes to your childs details (medical/contact details etc.), please inform school as soon as possible.

Read for the Stars

Week two of our reading at home initiative and again 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). We have calculated that on November 6th if a child reads everyday, they will have reached the sun on the blue (1st) rocket and obviously get to choose a book from the machine or the book case in my office.



Come meet my teacher

On Wednesday 27th September, we are inviting you to come into school to meet your child's class teacher. We will also be hosting a Macmillan coffee afternoon from 3.30pm until 5.30 pm.

This will be an opportunity to pop into class, meet your child's teacher, see how well they have settled in and then have a tea/coffee in the hall, raising funds for this worthwhile charity.

As part of our continued drive with reading, we will also be selling a range of quality books for only £1 each.

We look forward to seeing you soon.



Rights Respecting School

As a silver accredited, Rights Respecting School, we look at an Article every 2 weeks. For the next two weeks:

Right of the fortnight

Article 1 - Definition of a child

Article 1 explains that every child under the age of 18 has rights and that these should be achieved at all levels to keep them healthy, safe and allow them to grow as individuals.



Key points:

- Every child should be registered at birth and have a name
- They should have access to education and health care
- Children should be protected when needed
- Children should have their voice heard
- Laws should be followed

Miss Weir, our RRS lead in school, delivers an assembly every 2 weeks to introduce the latest Article we are looking at. We hope, in the next academic year, to become a gold accredited school thus, building on our bronze and silver awards.

Breakfast Club

The cost of breakfast club is £2.00 per day paid via the school app 'Arbor'. Please note that from this academic year, <u>ALL</u> children must be booked into breakfast club with 48 hours notice, for staffing ratio reasons. No cash is able to be accepted either and unfortunately if children are not booked in, we cannot admit them. Please contact the office if you have any problems.

Y6 Parent/Carer Comments

We are very proud of our school as you will be aware and it is lovely to hear positive thoughts and comments, especially when the children move onto secondary school. Here is a selection from the End of Year reports that were returned to us:

- 'The extra support and guidance he has been given has ensured he has passed his SATs'
- 'She has loved her time at Bader and has been taught by some amazing teachers'
- 'She has been given opportunities to develop and have fun and we will miss the school immensely'
- 'We will miss Bader, it's a fantastic school'

Uniform Policy

Our uniform policy states that footwear should be flat black shoes or plain, black trainers (children will be expected to change into black plimsolls if they repeatedly wear inappropriate footwear. This is just an early reminder of the expectations around footwear. The policy is set by the governing body of the school.

Changing over from hot dinner to packed lunch

The school meal service requires a notice period of 2 weeks if children are moving over from a hot dinner to a packed lunch or vice versa. We are not able to change this timescale from this academic year, too.

Attendance

Term time leave of absence forms are changing from the current paper copy to an on-line google form. Please note: Unfortunately, any holidays taken during term time are not considered an exceptional circumstance and therefore are recorded as unauthorised absence. The attendance team would then refer these to the Local Authority and would incur a fine.

Cross Country

As you are aware, part of our school vision is to help our children to be healthy and grow strong. We also received the Gold School Games Award in the summer. As part of this commitment today, continuing with this drive, Mr Gunn organised our first festival, namely a Cross Country competition where children ran individually, for their teams and for potentially for a place representing our school at forthcoming regional cross country competition. A fuller write up with a list of placings etc. will be available next week but the children on the whole did fantastically well and tried their best to do their best. Thanks to Mr Gunn for organising this event.







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: You will notice that we have included the Rights Respecting School Articles too.

Nursery it is wonderful to see the children choosing friends to play with and building relationships #RRSArticle15



Year 1 children have enjoyed their first
Outdoor session of the year with Scouted Sam

#RRSArticle24



Year 3 have had a brilliant time identifying different types of plants around our school #RRSArticle6



Year 5 were investigating gravity this afternoon.

We took part in a carousel of activities to see
how gravity affected different objects #RRSArticle29



Reception children were super happy exploring our outdoor area. #RRSArticle29



Year 2 have been learning the story, Traction Man. Then we have started to create a story map using pictures to help us imitate the story

#RRSArticle3



Year 4 have been introduced to their science topic of 'states of matter'. They wrote ideas down and sorted objects into solids, liquids and gases #RRSArticle29



Year 6 have been looking at and researching Victorian artefacts to learn about what it was like to learn in a Victorian school #RRSArticle28

