



The Bader Bugle



Autumn Term 4
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29th September 2023

A message from Mr Hodgson



Autumn leaves when the grass is jewelled, and the silk inside a chestnut shell (a couple of lines from one of our seasonal songs, in school).....

This week, has certainly had an autumnal feel to it with a chill in the air on a morning.

However, it was a lovely autumnal morning on Wednesday when I was called from the sub's bench to take the 24 Y3,4,5 & 6 cross country runners to Preston Park to take part in the annual, Stockton Schools Cross Country Championships. Myself, Miss Colmer and Miss Crowther were very impressed with the Bader children's efforts and application, where all the runners did themselves (and Mr Gunn) proud and we came very, very close to having some children representing Stockton Schools.

Come to Meet my Teacher

A big thank you all parents and carers who managed to attend our first whole school event of the academic year. Hopefully, you managed to have a good look around your child's classroom and chat to their class teacher about how they have settled into their new year group. I always think this event is really important and it gives you an insight into how well your child has coped and is coping with regards to learning and routines.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

We raised an absolutely, brilliant amount of £203 on Wednesday.

Thank you again for your support.



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 Day Friday 1st December.

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.**



Year 6: Secondary School

Most of our feeder secondary schools will be having their open evenings in the next few weeks. Please remember to complete the application form and return to the School Admissions team before the deadline of 31st October 2023.




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 18th September 2023

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Ayre	96.3%	2
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Douthwaite	89.95%	6
Y1 Mrs Poulson	98.88%	0 
Y2 Mrs Jones	91.78%	1
Y3 Mrs S Jones	97.92%	4
Y3 Mrs Spencer	92.57%	10
Y3 Miss Weir	97.52%	2
Y4 Miss Robson	98.9% 	3
Y4 Mr Turnbull	96%	2
Y5 Miss Dunn	88.1%	2
Y5 Mr Robinson	95.69%	2
Y6 Miss Bennett	89.88%	2
Y6 Miss Horrigan	98.08%	0 



Last week's attendance winners were:
Y4R (Bader bear spent the week with Miss Robson and all her children)

Attendance Update

Attendance at school (including nursery), from an early age, is really important to us. The routines and good learning habits are vital in a child's development. This is why we place such an importance on attendance at school including being punctual and on time everyday. **Please can you report any absences to school as soon as possible to help us to help you and prevent the attendance team from contacting home. The attendance team, this week, have started to send out letter for unauthorised absence etc. Thank you for your support with this.**

Harvest

This week, we will begin collecting for our annual festival of Harvest. We are asking for a small donation of food; tins and packets (biscuits etc.) are ideal, not fresh produce as this will perish. Donations will be bagged up and donated to worthwhile causes. Thank you for your support with this. Any donations however small will help.

X



Our X followers are currently **2529** 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!

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.

Contact details/Medication

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

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 3 – Best interests of the child
	<p><u>Key points:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children should feel safe and secure• They should have access to a home and health care• Children should have access to an education

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. Thank you to those parents who completed a RRS questionnaire this week.



Covid

Lots of germs about at this time of year and the general rule is if a child is too poorly to come to school then they should get better at home. DFE guidelines advise that it is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional. If, however, your child (18 years of age or under) has a positive Covid-19 test result, they should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test.

Head Teachers Award

After a very successful visit to 'Drake, The Bookshop' last week because I was particularly impressed with one of our pupils, I have decided to reward her with the first Head Teacher's award of this academic year.

Holly Fox was an absolute delight to take out of school last week and her caring nature in looking after our younger children was ever so evident. Well done, Holly!



Bader Parliament Elections

Today, we had a polling station set up in school as the children excitedly voted for their Bader parliament member for this academic year. Bader Parliament are a democratically elected group of children who have a very important voice in school. Watch this space as the elected members will be revealed next week.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

As a reward for their efforts in Cross Country this week, the Y3, 4, 5 & 6 school representatives were rewarded with 'Hot chocolate with the Head' today. Well done again to them!



Space Week

Bader kitchen staff are cooking up a tasty 'space' themed menu next Thursday 5th October, to celebrate World Space Week 2023!

We would love as many children as possible to enjoy a delicious themed school lunch on this day to help us celebrate.

Please let the school office know if you would like your child to enjoy this treat for a special space price of just £2.00.



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 the water area is proving very popular this morning #RRSArticle31



Reception children have enjoyed using our colour monster crowns to take the role of a patient feeling different emotions in our doctors surgery #RRSArticle6



Year 1 in Science the children have pulled up weeds so that they could observe the roots #RRSArticle24



Year 2 enjoying learning how leather buckets were used to help put out the Great Fire of London #RRSArticle31



Year 3 collected natural materials this afternoon to create an outdoor sculpture in the style of Andy Goldworthy #RRSArticle31



Year 4 made predictions and carried out a test to see if affects the speed of melting even Bader Bear joined in #RRSArticle29



Year 5 have been practicing their rounding skills. They have been solving to calculation to determine which colour to use to create a picture #RRSArticle29



Year 6 had a taster of what life was like for Victorian school children this afternoon #RRSArticle28



Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson