





Autumn Term 8

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A message from Mr Hodgson

In the blink of an eye, unbelievably, we have had the first (longest) half term. 8 weeks of exciting experiences and lots of learning taking place. The children have worked extremely hard & applied themselves brilliantly in upholding our Bader values (being happy, aiming high, showing determination, excellence & respect).

We are already looking forward to the next half term which begins on Monday 6th November.

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 13 – Sharing thoughts freely

 Children have the right to share freely with others what they learn, think and feel, by talking, drawing, writing or in any other way unless it harms other people.



Next month, we will be assessed for as a 'Gold' respecting school and Miss Weir, the staff and the children, are working hard to achieve this. Last week, every child from Nursery to Year 6 did something very exciting to do with Rights Respecting and the articles: see above. Every child has produced a hand print to represent them following the convention of rights.

Read for the Stars

A great opportunity next week for children to immerse themselves into a world of books by reading, reading & more reading! By my calculations, children who have read every day since September, will reach the sun for the first time this academic year on November 6th. I can't wait to see who will be the first recipients!

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.

This week's recipients are as follows: Cody Burnham, Nainka Rejith, Harkirat Sidhu, Holly Fox, Layton John, Isobel Potter, Layla-Rose Marghani and Jake Pinchbeck.

Dates for your diaries!

Monday 13th November: Odd socks day

Monday 13th – Friday 17th November: Anti-Bullying week Friday 17th November: Children in Need (spotty attire)

Thursday 30th November: Christmas Fayre

Friday 1st **December:** Professional Development Day **Monday 4**th **December:** Christmas tree up in school

Friday 8th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

Friday 8th December: Christmas dinner

Monday 11th December: Year 3 Christmas Carols Tuesday 12th December: Year 4 Christmas Carols Wednesday 13th December: Year 5 Christmas Carols Thursday 14th December: Year 6 Christmas Carols

Thursday 14th December: Reception and KS1 nativity 9.30am **Friday 15th December:** Reception and KS1 nativity 1.30pm

Tuesday 19th December: School closes at normal time and reopens on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

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.

Harvest

Thank you once again for all your harvest donations, these have been bagged up & delivered to the Salvation project. This week, we held our annual whole school harvest assembly.







Our X followers are currently **2531** 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!

Poppy Appeal

We are supporting the Royal British Legion again this year by supporting their Poppy Appeal.

Members of Bader Parliament are now selling poppies and other merchandise.

Our School will be supporting the Poppy Appeal again this year. Bader Parliament will be selling the Poppies at the end of each day.

Prices:

Slap Bands - £1.50 Wrist bands - £1

Reflectors and Zip pulls - 50p Paper poppies - any donation

Thank you for your support with the Poppy Appeal!



Christmas Jumper



One of the charity events we will be supporting this year is 'Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 8th December. We ask for a donation of £1, Bader Parliament will organise this event with more details to follow later.

Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner in school is on Friday 8th 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 £2.50. Please contact the school office to organise this.

Annual Christmas card Competition

Our local MP, Matt Vickers is opening his annual Christmas card competition to all primary schools in Stockton. There will be prizes for the winning and runner-up entries in the competition, with the winner being sent to everyone on his Christmas card list, including the King and the Prime Minister.

It is a great opportunity for you to showcase your artistic abilities, whilst also raising some festive cheer! All entries need to be brought into school by 10th November.

Why not encourage your children to have a go over half term, you never know (we are due a winner!)

Halloween Discos.

Thank you for your support by attending these. The profit made in these events goes into the Friends of Bader funds to support the school with Christmas treats etc.

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 16th October 2023

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Ayre	82.6%	2
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Douthwaite	91.1%	8
Y1 Mrs Poulson	91.1%	0
Y2 Mrs Jones	86.8%	0
Y3 Mrs S Jones	77.5%	5
Y3 Mrs Spencer	91.1%	5
Y3 Miss Weir	90.4%	5
Y4 Miss Robson	89.0%	2
Y4 Mr Turnbull	93.2%	5
Y5 Miss Dunn	90.5%	1
Y5 Mr Robinson	94.3%	5
Y6 Miss Bennett	98.5%	5
Y6 Miss Horrigan	96.5%	0



Last week's attendance winners were: Y6H (Bader bear spent the week with Miss Bennett and all her children)

Attendance Update

Average attendance in school was down again last week, unfortunately at 90.6%. Our target still remains 95% or better and the attendance team have now sent out letters to parents/carers of children who are currently in persistent absence (i.e. less than 90%) and their attendance is causing concern. The attendance team has sent out 8 unauthorised absence letters this week too.

Please work with us on attendance and flag up any support needed as soon as possible. Please also, report any absences to the school office on the day of absence to prevent unnecessary call from the attendance team. Thank you for your support with this.

Farewell but not goodbye

This half term sees a couple of staffing changes in school as Mrs Kirton & Mrs Brennan are leaving us for new challenges.

I would like to thank them for their hard work & efforts during their time with us & wish them all the best in the future from the Bader Community.

Head Teachers Award

These two superstars Logan & Evie, are our pupil Ambassadors for this academic year. This week saw Bader welcome visitors from Levendale, Bewley, Billingham South, Glebe, Whitehouse & Kirklevington Primary schools. The ambassadors did a brilliant job of showcasing our school and they are very much looking forward to visiting the other primaries in this academic year. Well done Logan and Evie!



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 hubble, bubble, toil and trouble. Fire burn and cauldron bubble ... Nursery's home corner has been taken over by witches #RRSArticle31



In Maths Year 1 worked on finding parts and the whole #RRSArticle29



Year 3 have posted their letters to King Charles III While they were there the post box was emptied So they saw what would happen next to their letter #RRSArticle13



Year 5 received a letter from the staff at Segedunum Roman fort. They asked for our help to write a new leaflet advertising the Roman fort to visitors #RRSArticle28



Reception have done some fantastic writing on our new text Tidy by Emily Gravett. They wrote all about where the story is set #RRSArticle29



Year 2 have become fantastic historians by pretending they witnessed The Great Fire of London. They have



Year 4 have been creating their Ancient Maya death masks in the style of Richard Mazzola #RRSArticle31



Year 6 have been learning about the history behind stained glass windows. They designed some amazing windows #RRSArticle30

