





Spring Term 1

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A message from Mr Hodgson

Happy New Year to all our families. Wishing you a prosperous, peaceful and safe 2024.

The children have returned really well this week – focused, curious, respectful, and happy.

Read for the Stars

A positive response after the Christmas break with several teachers reporting that lots of children in their classes had read lots over the Christmas which is brilliant!

Dylan Roberts, Layla Kitching, Freya Thompson, Thomas Cooke, Lily Jackson, Olive Smith, Isaac Dolan, Freddie Hutchinson, Ezra Farndale, Isobel Potter, Lexie Allen, Caleb Liddle, Eli Flynn, Ella Wilkinson, Jack Pearson and Willow Blackburn.

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.

Afterschool Clubs

Just a reminder that the afterschool clubs start back up again week commencing 8th January 2024 and will run until Friday 16th February. Details of these will be sent out first week back.

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Our X followers are currently **2532** 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!

Dates for your diaries

Wednesday 3rd January 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024 (half term begins) Monday 26th February 2024 – Friday 28th March 2024 (Easter break begins)

Uniform

The children have returned looking smart and ready for learning. Thank you for supporting our uniform policy, especially around appropriate footwear (black shoes or plain black trainers).

Safeguarding Team

All staff and visitors have a responsibility to help identify children and young people who are at risk of significant harm and in need of protection. We promote a culture of vigilance, if you identify a Child Protection/Safeguarding concern in respect of a child, you must report it to a member of the 'Safeguarding team' via the main office as soon as possible:

Safeguarding Team

Mr Hodgson, Head Teacher or

Mrs Jatwa Mrs Douthwaite Miss Weir Mrs Mulligan

Deputy Head & Designated Safeguard Designated Safeguard Designated Safeguard

Designated Lead Lead Lead

Rights Respecting School

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





Article 8 - Identity

Every child should have a protected identity.

Their identity should be preserved and never taken away.

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 11th December 2023

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Ayre	86.3%	1
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Douthwaite	85.88%	6
Y1 Mrs Poulson	83.53%	0
Y2 Mrs Jones	92.58%	1
Y2 Mrs S Jones	83.91%	6
Y3 Mrs Spencer	95.88%	4
Y3 Miss Weir	91.76%	7
Y4 Miss Robson	92%	3
Y4 Mr Turnbull	85.26%	1
Y5 Miss Dunn	87.14%	4
Y5 Mr Robinson	96.36%	6
Y6 Miss Bennett	87.2%	6
Y6 Miss Horrigan	94.62%	0

ATTENDANCE DURING ONE SCHOOL YEAR	EQUALS APPROXIMATE DAYS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY WEEKS ABSENCE	WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY LESSONS MISSED
95%	9 days	2 weeks	40 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	80 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	120 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	160 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11 1/2 weeks	230 lessons
65%	67 days	13 ½ weeks	270 lessons

Last week's attendance winners were: Y5R (Bader bear spent the week with Mr Robinson and all his children)

Attendance Update

The last full week before Christmas, school attendance was very low at 89.8%. Our target remains at 95% or better. The attendance team also sent out 17 unauthorised absence letters and 30 Persistent absence letters. So, unfortunately we ended 2023 with a very low attendance figure. The good news though is attendance for the first three days back was much better and nearer our target of 96%. We will be holding more attendance meetings with parents/carers in the coming weeks and working with the Local Authority attendance team to avoid having to refer poor attendance and therefore incurring fines.

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. Attendance is so important and thank you for supporting school with this.

Curriculum

This week, each year group has been using a wonderful age appropriate picture book as a stimulus for their writing and art work. Many of these picture books are part of our new picture book library (introduced in September).

Year 1 children are really enjoying our picture book, I Love You, Blue Kangaroo! We have used adjectives to add detail to our sentences. #RRSarticle29



Reception children enjoyed using a different type of media today, watercolours, to recreate the illustrations of the bear in our picture book We're Going on a Bear Hunt! #BaderArt



Year 1 have enjoyed exploring the characters in our picture book this week and painted some beautiful pictures of them.
#RRSarticle31



This week Y2SJ are reading a new book called Grandad's Island. They have enjoyed creating jungle scenes and painting jungle animals which will be used for a wild display! #RRS #Article31



Year 3 have been looking at the picture book 'Quest' by Aaron Becker. #BaderArt



Y4R are starting their first day back in 2024 making predictions based on our picture book 'Tuesday' #RRSarticle31



Inspired by the picture book 'What We'll Build' by Oliver Jeffers, Y5 have begun designing their own fantasy spaces and writing a setting description of these wonderful ideas! #RRS #Article28



Y6 have been reading the picture book 'The Arrival' and have started planning a piece of writing - a letter home - based on the story. They have also made origami birds like the characters do when they want to send their letters. #rrs #article28



Have a lovely weekend.