

A message from Mr Hodgson

As the nights (and mornings) get lighter, the weeks seem to get quicker. I can't quite believe we only have one week to go before the Easter break. Unfortunately, attendance has been badly affected this week with lots of absence due to chicken pox so the break from school will probably come at the right time.

The MUGA is still on track for Easter completion. This week, we managed to get some children (ambassadors and Bader Parliament) onto the pitch, with Mrs Douthwaite. The children were then able to report back on the fabulous new addition to our school.



Bikes and Dogs

A polite reminder: bikes should not be ridden on the playground, they need to be pushed until off site please. Dogs also should not be on school site, even if they are carried.

Thank you for your consideration and cooperation.



Easter Egg Raffle

Eggcellent donations received so far- a big thank you again. The pile is growing. Please support our Easter egg raffle. Raffle tickets are on sale 20p each of 5 for a £1. Winners will be drawn next week.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

With so much brilliant Science going on in school, last week, it was only fitting that Hot Chocolate with the Head was Science based. Staff chose a child in their class who had worked particularly well in Science week for this treat!



Read for the Stars

More children reaching the sun TWICE, a big well done to: **Ezra Farndale, Elsie Hutchinson, Gracie Dollard, Sofia Pinchin, Logan Kean, Sophie Stephenson, Alfie Johnson and Ralph Dollard.**

Children reaching the sun for the first time this academic year were: **Logan Mills Bennett, Tahlia Tankard and Travis Jackson Butters.** (Keep up the reading!)

All 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.



Dates for your diaries

Monday 26th February 2024 – Thursday 28th March 2024 (Easter break begins)

Monday 15th April 2024 – Friday 24th May 2024 (half term begins)

Monday 3rd June 2024 – Tuesday 23rd July 2024

X



Our X followers are currently **2538** 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!

Uniform: Another Reminder

Bader School uniform consists of:

- Grey or black trousers, skirt or tunic
- White polo shirt
- Dark green sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo
- **Flat, black shoes or plain, black trainers (children will be expected to change into black plimsolls if they repeatedly wear inappropriate footwear)**
- Green gingham dress for summer wear
- Grey or black shorts for summer wear





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 March 2024

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Ayre	93.46%	3
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Douthwaite	95%	2 
Y1 Mrs Poulson	93.53%	3
Y2 Mrs Jones	84.35%	3
Y2 Mrs S Jones	95.65%	7
Y3 Mrs Spencer	98.24%	4
Y3 Miss Weir	98.82% 	4
Y4 Miss Robson	94.5%	2 
Y4 Mr Turnbull	98.42%	4
Y5 Miss Dunn	94.76%	3
Y5 Mr Robinson	95.91%	4
Y6 Miss Bennett	88%	3
Y6 Miss Horrigan	88.15%	2 



Attendance Update

The third week back after half term and our attendance was low again at 93.35%. Our target still remains at 95% or better.

The attendance team has sent out 5 unauthorised absence letters and 2 persistent absence letters last week.

School will do everything it can to support you and your child getting into school. We follow Local Authority guidance and hold attendance meetings with parents/carers and on occasions, put an attendance plan in place to improve your child's attendance. On rarer occasions, we then need to refer persistent absence to the Local Authority who issue fixed penalties (This is the same for term time holiday applications).

Also, as part of our current attendance focus, we would like to share this useful information from the NHS. It provides advice on when you can send your child to school, even if they are not feeling 100%.


<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

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.

Rights Respecting School

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

	Right of the fortnight
	<p>Article 2 No Discrimination</p> <p>The Convention applies to every child without discrimination, whatever their ethnicity, gender, religion, language, abilities or any other status, whatever they think or say, whatever their family background.</p>

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 their spelling tests consistently.

The latest recipients are as follows: **Luca Lithgow, Desirae Davies, Phoebe Brown and Issac McDonald.**



Red Nose Day

We raised an incredible **£266.73** for Red Nose Day.
A big thank you to everyone in the Bader community.



Children's Book of the Year Stockton

Children's book of the Year is an event that our school enthusiastically participates in every year. This year has been no different with a group of Year 5 children being involved again, supported by Miss Wood and Mrs Whitby.

Well done to: **Rhia Grey, Lacie Frost, Holly Fox, Ella Johnson, Evie Chambers, Lexie Allen, Oliver Titley and Sam Robinson.**

They have all worked very hard reading the books, writing the book reviews, attending the weekly after school club and discussing their ideas. We are really proud of them all!

Next week, they will meet one of the authors, Alastair Humphreys.

Two children had to be chosen to meet all five authors at Stockton library at the end of March. These are the following: **Rhia Grey**, for writing an engaging book review which speaks directly to the reader and **Lacie Frost** for outstanding effort and progress.



Curriculum

With everything else going on this week we have still managed to teach a broad and balanced curriculum. Here is a selection of X posts this week: You will notice that we have included the Rights Respecting School Articles too.

**Nursery have been story mapping
'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'
#RRSArticle29**



Year 1 children enjoyed some tinker time using a video creation app. They took photos of a favourite story in preparation for creating their own videos. #RRSArticle17



Year 3 are really progressing with their recorder playing! They have been learning another new song with @teesvalleymusic this week! #RRS #Article29



**Year 5 have been painting this afternoon creating some artwork inspired by two different artists.
#RRSArticle31**

**Reception: we had a wonderful afternoon with Mr Jackson making hedgehogs and outdoor hot chocolate
#RRSArticle31**



Year 2 are ready and raring to go for our Snappy Spring rehearsal #RRSArticle31



Year 4 students just wrapped up their questionnaire and are now diving into data analysis using spreadsheets. #RRSArticle28



**Year 6 have produced some lovely artwork
#RRSArticle31**



Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson