

A message from Mr Hodgson

What a fabulous, fun-filled spring term we have had. We have seen the construction of our very own Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), attended lots of sports tournaments with our sports coach, Mr Gunn, supported events like 'Show Racism the Red Card', Safer Internet Day, World Book Day, Science Week, Stockton Children's Book of the Year, Year 6 had an exciting residential at Peat Rigg in Pickering, held parent consultations, parent/carer information session (like Y6 SAT's, Nursery stay and play etc) and invited yourselves in to school to celebrate Science Week and other 'final flourishes' – I'm breathless just remembering everything!



Considerate Parking

Please can I ask that we consider our residents and where you park, when dropping off and collecting your children at the beginning and the end of each day. Double parking, blocking driveways etc, of course are not appropriate and actually are breaking the law. The PCSO's have been in attendance this week as unfortunately, school cannot enforce the law, we just appeal for consideration by both parties.

Easter Raffle

A really big thank you once again for your Easter egg donations and buying the tickets. The raffle was drawn today with the help of Bader Parliament and we raised an amazing £460.25! (Absolutely amazing actually)

Lots of winners but the winners of the Easter hampers were:

1st Isla Titley

2nd Daisy Mai Barfoot

3rd Alfie McMahon



Read for the Stars

More children reaching the sun TWICE, a big well done to: **Afiya Ahmed, Darin Hassan and Faris Ahmed.**

Children reaching the sun for the first time this academic year were: **Cody Burnham** (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.

Easter (2 weeks off school) is a great opportunity to chill and curl up with a good book. The start of May will see the first children reach the 'sun' for not the 1st, 2nd but 3rd time – could it be you?



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: Summer term reminder

We expect (as per our uniform policy) our children to follow:

- 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

Thank you for your support.



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 March 2024

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Ayre	90.43%	5
Y1 Mrs Jatwa/Douthwaite	91.7%	4
Y1 Mrs Poulson	92.71%	0 
Y2 Mrs Jones	92.02%	2
Y2 Mrs S Jones	92.36%	6
Y3 Mrs Spencer	93.62%	8
Y3 Miss Weir	95.32%	4
Y4 Miss Robson	94.27%	6
Y4 Mr Turnbull	94.16%	3
Y5 Miss Dunn	93.63%	2
Y5 Mr Robinson	95.71%	8 
Y6 Miss Bennett	92.34%	7
Y6 Miss Horrigan	95.2%	1



Attendance Update

The fourth week back after half term and our attendance was low again at 93.29%. Our target still remains at 95% or better.

The attendance team has sent out 4 unauthorised absence letters and 2 term time leave of absence letters.

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>

Pen Licence

For children who have beautifully formed, joined handwriting, their reward is a 'Pen Licence'. This allows them to use a pen for all writing in school. Also, they are presented with a certificate in assembly, are given a pen licence card to carry with them and are given a special place in the hall on our 'Roll of Honour' board. This week has been the week when most pen licences have been given out by me – the children are really trying to join their letters etc. This week's lucky pupils to receive their licence, as endorsed by the Pen Inspector General (me) are: **Erin Liggett, Alfie Johnson, Cody Burnham, George Robinson and Samuel Lendon.**



Goodbye but not farewell

Today, was Mrs S Jones last day working at our lovely school. A really big thank you to her for 10 years sterling service to the Bader Community and your children. Good luck, Mrs Jones!

Netball

The Year 6 netball teams enjoyed their afternoon at Conyers playing in a netball competition. They all improved their teamwork and individual skills and became more competitive as the tournament progressed. One of our teams won their group and semifinal before being beaten by a fast Levendale team. Their super progress means we have a team that has qualified for the Stockton Netball Finals. Well done everyone.



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 we had so much fun practising our new sound 'h' in phonics. #RRSArticle29



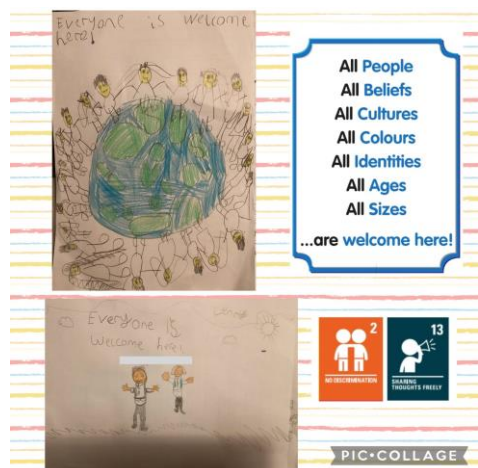
Reception children did a wonderful job of supporting each other in our handwriting session. What super teachers you were! #RRSArticle29



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Year 1 children discussed the difference between fact and opinion. They learned the importance of accepting and welcoming other opinions including beliefs whilst recognising the importance of not forcing ideas and views on others. #RRSArticle13



Year 2 have been practising to measure in metres and centimetres this week. There we are measuring a huge 'snake' that entered our classroom. #RRSArticle3



Year 4 have completed their design process and are now making their final D&T Project of an amazon rainforest shoe box. #RRSArticle31



Year 3 children have been making pizzas as part of their D&T project. #RRSArticle24



Year 6 have made some lovely folding Easter cards #RRSArticle31



Year 5 celebrating our scientist of the day - who made adaptations to an experiment enabling a paper moth to fly for progressively longer periods of time. Well done! #RRSArticle28

Thank you for your continued support this term.

Have a lovely Easter.

School is now closed for the Easter holidays.

We welcome children back on Monday 15th April 2024.

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