



The Bader Bugle



Autumn Term 9

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A message from Mr Hodgson

Welcome to the second half of Autumn term – this is a particularly exciting few weeks as we have something beginning with a C at the end of term! It's a little too early to mention it loudly in school yet but as you no doubt will be aware, it is a magical time in school and we have lots happening!



Read for the Stars

Our home reading initiative 'Read for the stars' goes from strength to strength with more children reaching 'the sun' than previous years. This week was the first chance for children to earn their reward. The first 'rocket' is 60 reads, the second one is 80 reads and the third one is 100 reads (all 'do-able' in the academic year with an 'aiming high' reading mentality).

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. 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).

Well done to these children:

Fearne Palin, Hazel Millward, Daisy Mai Barfoot, Florence Allison, Mia Todd, Thomas Aberdeen, Ronan Todd, George Robinson, Joseph Chambers, Lachlan Barfoot, Gabby Mount, Chloe Brack, Layla Rose Marghani, Afiya Ahmed, Evie Mount, Serenity Colmer, Maggie Lesson, Ella Johnson, Rhia Grey, Leon Callen, Oliver Titley and Logan Daniels.

(This little lot were the first children to reach the sun)

Hot on their heels were:

Ivy North, Gracie Dollard, George Poles, Phoebe Catchpole, Finley Lewis, Jake Pinchbeck, Isla Titley, Desirae Davies, Isaac Hindby, Archie Johnson, Roscoe Callen, Marshall Moseley, Noah Hindby and Jacob Brack.

A superb effort by 36 of our superstar readers!



Children in Need

Children In Need day next week is **Friday 15th November**, and to help support the charity, we will be asking the children to come to school dressed in something spotty with their normal school uniform. For example, they could wear a spotty t-shirt with their school trousers/skirt. If your child doesn't have anything spotty in their wardrobe, you could even stick or draw some spots onto a plain t-shirt.

We are asking the children to bring in a small donation in loose change, which they will use to place on a giant Pudsey throughout the day.

Please note: This is NOT a non-uniform day.

Remember to check out our school X (Twitter) page for photographs from the day.



Anti-Bullying Week

Next Monday (11th November) is the start of Anti-Bullying week in school. On Tuesday, children are invited to come to school wearing odd socks. This is to raise awareness about bullying and to show that everyone has the right to be unique (RRS Article 8).

DFE guidelines state that bullying is defined as behaviour that is repeated

- Intended to hurt someone either physically or emotionally
- Often aimed at certain groups, for example because of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation

It takes many forms and can include:

- Physical assault
- Teasing
- Making threats
- Name calling
- Cyber bullying – bullying via mobile phone or online (for example email, social networks and instant messenger)

School has its own 'Anti-Bullying' policy available on to view on our website.

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. 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 talent and spread festive cheer.

The deadline has been extended until Monday if your child would like to enter. A great weekend job!



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.

X



Our X followers are currently **2540** 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

Thank you for supporting the Royal British Legion poppy appeal again this year. On Sunday, Bader Parliament will be representing school at the Remembrance Day Sunday Parade and Service at Thornaby Cenotaph.



Remembrance Monday

Monday 11th November at 11am, the children will observe a one minutes silence in the playground. Should any parents/carer wish to join us, we would welcome you via the main school entrance and side gate. Please arrive for 10.55am.





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 21st October 2024

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite	87.06%	0 
Rec Mrs Parr	96.25%	0 
Y1/ 2 Mrs Bowe	90%	5
Y1/ 2 Mrs Poulson	87.22%	4
Y2 Mrs Jones	93.33%	4
Y3 Mrs Robinson	96.96%	1
Y3 Mrs Spencer	95.22%	7
Y4 Miss Robson	94.71%	10
Y5 Miss Horrigan	99% 	4
Y5 Miss Weir	92.38%	4
Y6 Miss Bennett	95%	2
Y6 Mr Robinson	88%	0 

Do I need to keep my child off school?



Chicken Pox Until all spots have crusted over	Conjunctivitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Diarrhoea & Vomiting 48 hours from last episode	Glandular Fever No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Hand, foot & mouth No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Impetigo Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Measles or German Measles 4 days from onset of rash	Mumps 5 days from onset of swelling	Scabies Until after first treatment	Scarlet Fever 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	Slapped Cheek No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Whooping Cough 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu Until recovered	Head Lice No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Threadworms No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	Tonsillitis No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		

Attendance Update

The last week before the half term break saw our attendance at 93.44% from reception to Year 6 which is not where we would like it to be. However, 205 pupils had 100% attendance in that last week too (81% of pupils having full attendance), which is very good.

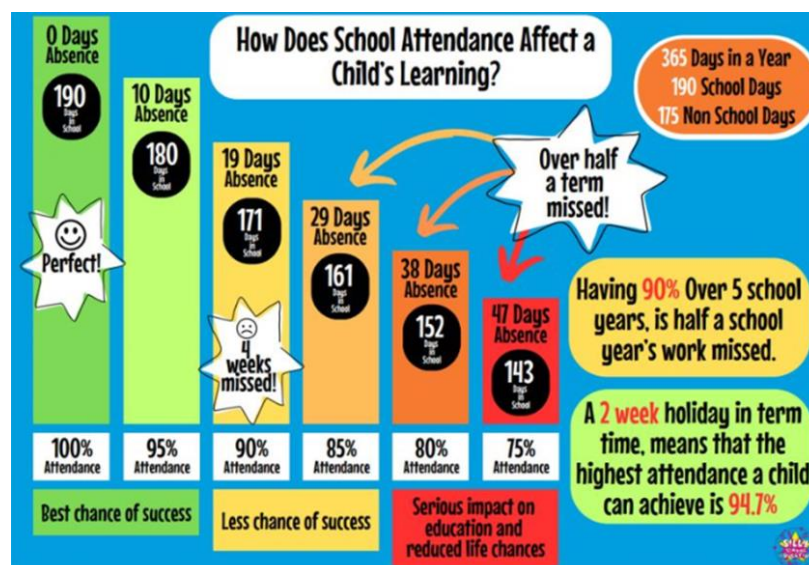
The attendance team sent out 4 term time warning letters and 2 referrals to the Local Authority.

Coming to school on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from Nursery onwards.

Missing 10% of school (1 or 2 days every few weeks) can make it harder to:

- Gain reading and math skills.
- Build friendships.
- Build on good progress which leads to reaching age related expectations and above.

Today, our attendance has been the poorest day of the week. The attendance team therefore are more vigilant with Friday absences. Please ensure if your child is absent on a Friday that you speak to the attendance team promptly.



Hot Chocolate with the Head

The children rewarded with hot chocolate with the Head today were superstar readers – a selection of them who reached the 'sun' this week. Next week, the children who missed today will earn the same reward. Well done to our reading stars!



Christmas Fayre

Our annual Christmas Fayre preparations are now underway. Mrs Eaton has posted on class dojo today as a reminder. We hope that you are able to join us/donate towards this traditional event.



Odd Socks Day

Don't forget your odd socks on Tuesday 12th November as part of Anti Bullying week.



Dates for your diaries

Autumn Term: Wednesday 4th September to Friday 20th December.

Half Term Break: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November.

Professional Development Days Friday 29th November 2024, Monday 6th January 2025 and Monday 21st July 2025

Monday 11th – Friday 15th November: Anti-Bullying week

Tuesday 12th November: Odd Socks Day

Friday 15th November: Children in Need

Wednesday 27th November: Non uniform day/ bring a bottle/ chocolate

Thursday 28th November: Christmas Fayre

Monday 2nd December: Christmas tree up in school

Wednesday 11th December: Snappy Christmas

Wednesday 11th December: EY/KS1 Christmas Performance

Thursday 12th December: EY/KS1 Christmas Performance

Friday 13th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children and Christmas dinner

Monday 16th December: Year 3 Carols

Tuesday 17th December: Year 4 Carols


Wednesday 18th December: Year 5 Carols

Thursday 19th December: Year 6 Carols



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
	Article 30 Minority, Culture, Language and Religion This week is anti-bullying week in school. The theme this year is being respectful regardless of your culture, language or religion. The children will take part in activities about respecting one another as individuals, as we are all different.

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: **Isla Titley and Freya Thompson.**



Footwear

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

With regards to footwear, this policy used to state 'plain black shoes only'. It was changed to accommodate children for comfort & cost reasons. The ethos behind the plain black request is for poverty proofing & to avoid peer pressure which may give rise to bullying.

Unfortunately, an increasing number of children in Year 6 are wearing branded trainers (although black).

If there are any future incidents or issues, school will then revert to the original uniform policy which advises black shoes only.

Thank you for your support.



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 have been creating Rangoli and Mehndi patterns after learning about Diwali. #RRSArticle30



Reception children talked about fireworks and the sound they make, we used this as ideas for our wonderful writing. #RRSArticle29



Y1/2 have been exploring movements and balances using the 'big' parts of their bodies in PE. #RRSArticle31



Year 2 had a wonderful music lesson learning the different notes on the glockenspiels. We started to learn Twinkle Twinkle Little Star! #RRSArticle31



Year 3 have been completing some addition and subtraction challenges in Maths #RRSArticle28



Year 4 have been using thermometers to accurately measure temperature in Science. We then celebrated our learning by creating a 'water cycle in a bag' #RRSArticle29



Year 5 have been working in groups to feature spot in a text about the Romans. #RRSArticle28



Year 6 enjoyed acting out some scene from 'Streetchild' this morning to deepen their understanding of the text and the experiences the characters #RRSArticle31



Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson