



The Bader Bugle



Autumn Term 12

twitter: @BaderPrimary

28th November 2024

A message from Mr Hodgson

This week, it will be out with the old (November) and in with the new (December), the 1st on Saturday – where has the time gone again, I ask?



Of course, children are not in school tomorrow as it is a Professional Development day. So Monday will be the day when we decorate our Christmas tree. Our tree this year will be a 'tree of stars'. Our school is full of stars hence we are 'Aiming high' like stars shining brightly in the sky!

We have an exciting and particularly busy schedule of events happening – we certainly hope you can join us, as and when, to share the festivities. This evening would be a great way to start by attending our Christmas fayre after school.

Dates for your diaries

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

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

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



Christmas Cards

Our big red letter box is now in the school hall and children are able to post their Christmas cards. Please make sure the child's name and class are on the envelope.



Friends of Bader Christmas Raffle

A reminder that Friends of Bader are organising Christmas hampers to raffle within each year group. Raffle tickets are being sold and drawn in each year group.

Raffle tickets are 20p each – get yours while you can!

Year group colours:

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| • Nursery | Orange |
| • Reception | Yellow |
| • Y1 | Green or silver |
| • Y2 | Red or Gold |
| • Y3 | purple or silver |
| • Y4 | Blue or silver |
| • Y5 | Pink |
| • Y6 | Black or white |



Read for the Stars

They keep on coming – the next group of regular readers, reaching the sun for the 1st time this academic year are:

Riley Clayton, Jude McNeil, Jaxx Ellisyork, Blu Williams, Grayson Robson, Oliver Jackson, Aylin Sohail, Jackson Moseley, Emilia Foster, Louie Stott, Cole Callen and Elliott Pettitt.

Well done to all of these boys and girls!

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 rocket) they will receive a certificate and book of their choice in assembly (and their star on our display).



Christmas Performances

This year, Early Years and KS1 will be performing a nativity and in KS2, there will be year group Christmas songs and carols performed in the courtyard (similar to last year).

The dates are as follows:

Nursery Stay and Play and Christmas Carols Tuesday 10th December Morning Nursery 10.30-11.30 Afternoon Nursery 2.15pm

Reception and Key Stage 1 Christmas performance Wednesday 11th December 9.30am and Thursday 12th December 2pm

Monday 16th December: Year 3 Christmas carols 2.45pm

Tuesday 17th December: Year 4 Christmas carols 2.45pm

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X



Our X followers are currently **2533** 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!

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: **Alfie McMahon.**



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 24 Health, Water, Food, Environment Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.




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 November 2024

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite	91.76%	3
Rec Mrs Parr	96.25%	1 
Y1/ 2 Mrs Bowe	96.67%	3
Y1/ 2 Mrs Poulson	93.33%	6
Y2 Mrs Jones	96.25%	3
Y3 Mrs Robinson	95.22%	3
Y3 Mrs Spencer	96.09%	5
Y4 Miss Robson	97.88%	11
Y5 Miss Horrigan	94.5%	4
Y5 Miss Weir	97.62%	4
Y6 Miss Bennett	98.5% 	1 
Y6 Mr Robinson	97%	3

Do I need to keep my child off school? 



Illness	Exclusion Period
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

Our third week back after half term saw our attendance at 96.09%, from reception to Year 6 which is where we would like it to be. Also, 216 pupils had 100% attendance in that last week too (85.37% of pupils having full attendance), which is very good.

The attendance team sent out 2 term time warning letters, 2 persistent absence letters, 3 term time referrals to the Local Authority for unauthorised term time leave of absence (holidays), 11 attendance concern letters and 5 attendance information letters.

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

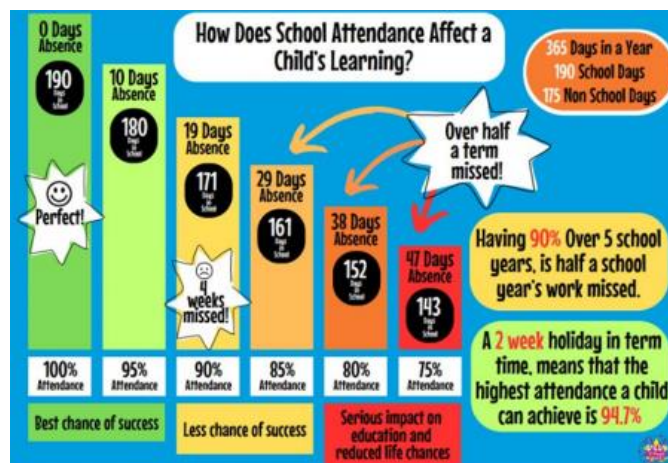
Missing 10% of school (1 or 2 days every few weeks) can make it harder to:

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

Again our attendance has been the poorest day of the week today.

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. This is classed as an unauthorised absence otherwise and could eventually invoke a fine unfortunately.



Christmas Dinner

Christmas dinner in school is on Friday 13th 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.

Christmas Jumper



One of the charity events we will be supporting this year is 'Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 13th December. We ask for a donation of £1, Bader Parliament will organise this event with more details to follow later.

Athletics Finals

On Tuesday, nineteen children represented Bader at the Stockton Primary Schools Indoor Athletics Finals at the Durham University Queensgate Campus in Stockton. The competition consisted of a variety of sprint relays and obstacles races as well the javelin throw, chest throw, vertical jump, standing long jump. Standing triple jump and the speed bounce. All our children performed to their full potential and scored fantastic points for the team. They also showed great support for each other and good sportsmanship towards the other teams. The children were deservedly rewarded for their efforts by finishing in third place and winning a bronze medal! We are all extremely proud of their achievements and their conduct - #BaderValues



Bronze Award

As part of our behaviour policy, children earn Bader value points for showing our values of: **Being Happy, Aiming High, Determination, Excellence and Respect**. These are collected individually until a 100 Bader Value points are earned. The child concerned is then awarded their bronze award. This week, our first bronze awards were given in school for this academic year. A big well done to: **Krystle Hagan, Mylo Jackson, Willow Smithies, Elkie Parkinson, Elsie Hutchinson, Freya Thompson, Nevaeh Shaw, Lily Jackson, Jude Westwood, Jacob Manning, Harshleen Sidhu, Gracie Dollard, Millie Foxton, Afiya Ahmed, Violet Kennington and Ava Halliday.**



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: with an 'Anti-Bullying' theme.

The Children
Have been
building their
own pirate ship
and storing
treasure in the
trunk.
#RRSArticle31



Reception have
arrived at Hardwick
Park. We have
listened to the story
'Stickman' and we are
now making our very
own Stickman
#RRSArticle31



Y1/2 enjoyed our first Alliance 'Friends'
session where we explored boundaries and
expectations for the upcoming sessions.
#RRSArticle13



Y2 are enjoying a workshop from Durham University
all about the Great Fire of London! We have looked at
maps from 1666 and practised using quills just like
Samuel Pepys! #RRSArticle3



Year 3 have been classifying materials into
categories depending on whether they are opaque,
transparent or translucent. #RRSArticle28

Year 4 have been exploring
the ancient game of Pok-Ta-Pok
in History. They have
been writing instructions on
how to play. #RRSArticle29



Year 5 have been considering evidence from the
past about proving that the earth is spherical.
#RRSArticle28



In Maths, Y6 enjoyed using marshmallows and
spaghetti to make models of 3D shapes.
#RRSArticle31



Have a lovely weekend. School is closed tomorrow for a Professional Development day.

Mr Hodgson