Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter



Friday 8th December 2023

A message from Miss Whittingham:

It has been a very busy week. EYFS and KS1 children have been busily preparing for their Nativity next week. KS2 have been preparing for the Christmas Fair and getting ready for their Christmas Concert during the last week of term.

Christmas Fair: this has been a fabulous success. A huge thank you to Mrs Boyd who took on the main running of the fair with Year 5/6. Thank you to all the staff and children who have helped get things ready and made decorations. Thank you to all of you too for the donations you made. We will let you know how much we made next week.

Christmas Tree: thank you to Four Oaks at Lowe's for the Christmas tree they very kindly gave us. it is a beautiful tree. Thank you to After School Club for decorating it so fabulously too.

Christmas Tree Festival: we have 2 tress entered in the festival. Please go to the Village Hall and Church in Byley to have a look at all the entries and make your votes for the best tree. There are so many entries and both the hall and the Church look fantastic. Please see the attached invite for information regarding open times.

150th Anniversary: the main events for the 150th anniversary will take place on Friday 26th/Saturday 27th January. On the Friday, we would like all the children and staff to dress in Victorian costumes. All those with connections to the school (past and present) can visit to have a tour and look at the photos. Please let anyone who has connections to the school know. Please phone the school office to book your slot (morning or afternoon). Drinks, cakes and biscuits will be available.

Lunchtime Stars: this week, I enjoyed having lunch with Holly, Felicity, Carys and Dylan. They had all earned their 10 stars. I am looking forward to having lunch next week with more children from Year 1 and 2 and Year 3 and 4. Well done, everyone!

Elf Run for St. Luke's Hospice: more donations have come in this week taking the total to nearly £1700. The representative who collected the money this week was blown away by the support. Thank you so much.

Reading: it has been lovely to award a number of Bronze certificates again today for reading at home. I know so many children are close to getting their chart filled. Keep up the great work, everyone.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)

Our Weekly Attendance Figures	School Dinners
Whole School - 94.6%	Please remember dinner money is now £2.55 and paid via PARENTPAY
Reception - 92.5% Years 1/2 - 96.3% Years 3/4 - 94.1% Years 5/6 - 95.4%	3-week menus are on the school website.Next Week's Lunch Menu:Week 2Cost for the 8 weeks the children are in school - Autumn 2Daily£2.55Weekly:£12.75Half term£102 (40 days)

Important Diary Dates:

Tues 12 th Dec	EYFS/KS1 Nativity afternoon performance (1:45pm)
Wed 13 th Dec	EYFS/KS1 Nativity evening performance (6:30pm)
Tues 19 th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert afternoon performance (2:30pm)
Wed 20 th Dec	Christmas jumper, Christmas Lunch & Class parties
Wed 20 th Dec	KS2 Carol Concert evening performance (6:30pm)
Fri 22 nd Dec	Whole School to Pantomime
Fri 22 nd Dec	Break for Christmas Holiday
Mon 8 th Jan 2024	INSET Day - School Closed
Tues 9 th Jan	Children back in school
Fri 26 th Jan	Victorian Day to celebrate 150 th Anniversary
Sat 27 th Jan	150 th Anniversary open day

Byley Busy Buddies

The new booking and payment system (ParentPay) is now up and running. Any issues accessing it please contact the school office.

Prices : Breakfast Club £4/£2.50 (sibling) per session After School Club £7.50/£5 (sibling) per session

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Bags-2-School: thank you for your support. The donations made raised £60.

The PTA needs your support to be able to continue with events and raise money to support the school. It is also a great way to get involved in school life and get to know other parents.

Please help raise funds for our school by checking out through the easy fundraising website. It's easy to do and costs nothing. Go to the link:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/byleypta/

Click on support cause and then create an account. This means you can then visit thousands of websites through the easyfundraising site and the retailers will make a small donation to the PTA.

You can also set up reminders on your toolbar so that when you visit one of the named sites it will ask you if you want to donate - this will not cost you ANYTHING and saves you visiting easyfundraising to see your chosen shopping site is listed.

Any funds the PTA make go straight back into making our school an even better learning environment for our children, so any help is greatly appreciated.

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