

# Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2025



**A message from Miss Whittingham:** another fabulous week in school has flown by. There has been a lot of hard work going on in all the classrooms and the 'buzz of learning' has been loud this week! I had a visitor in school this week - Mr Cox is a School Improvement Partner (SIP). He is a Headteacher and OFSTED Inspector. He supports me in helping to make Byley even better! On our walk around school, he was very impressed with the writing he saw as well as the behaviour of all the children. He commented on what a lovely school Byley is - I obviously agreed!

**Parent Governor Vacancy:** one of our parent governor positions is due to expire before the next full governors meeting. Please see the information sent out last Friday. Nomination deadline is next Friday - 14/03.25.

**Lunchtime stars:** I enjoyed having lunch with Elle and Felicity today. I am looking forward to having lunch with children from Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 next week.

**Instagram:** Nellie now has an Instagram account too! 'Nellie the School Dog' (nellie\_byleyschooldog) to see some of the things she gets up to in and out of school.

**Down Syndrome Day: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March. This is Odd Socks Day** - the children can wear odd socks. 'Odd Sock' gingerbread biscuits will be sold at the end of the day. These will be £1 each.

**World Book Day:** Thank you for all the effort put into making it another successful World Book Day. The children looked fabulous in their costumes and there were lots of book inspired activities going on around school.

**Reading:** please continue to encourage your child to read at home. Every Monday morning, children's reading diaries are taken in. If a child has read 3 or 4 times in the week, they get 1 spot on their chart. If they have read 5 times or more, they get 2 spots. Once they reach 20 spots, they will receive a certificate in our Friday Celebration Assembly. Reading regularly - or being read to - very much supports children with developing their understanding, confidence, reading fluency and writing

Thank you for your continued support,  
Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)

## Our Weekly Attendance Figures

### Whole School - 95.1%

Reception -	89.2%
Years 1/2 -	95.9%
Years 3/4 -	98.8%
Years 5/6 -	96.6%

## School Dinners

Please remember dinner money is now **£2.55** and paid via **PARENTPAY**

**3-week menus are on the school website.**

Next Week's Lunch Menu: **Week 3**

Cost for the 6 weeks the children are in school - **Spring 2**

Daily	£2.55
Weekly	£12.75
Half term	£76.50

## Important Diary Dates:

<b>Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Learn with Me - English - Yr 3/4 - 9am</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Year 3&amp;4 Residential to Castleton</b>
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Learn with Me - English - Yr 5/6 - 9am</b>
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Odd Socks Day (Down Syndrome Day). Ginger Biscuit Socks on sale £1-00</b>
<b>Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Parents Evening - 4pm - 7pm - more info to follow</b>
<b>Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Mar</b>	<b>Learn with Me - English - EYFS - 9am</b>
	<b>Parents Evening - 3:30pm - 5:30pm - more info to follow</b>
<b>Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Break for Easter holidays - 3:20pm</b>
<b>Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April</b>	<b>Return to School</b>
<b>Mon 5<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>School Closed - Bank Holiday</b>
<b>Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>VE Celebrations- Dress for victory day - wear red, white &amp; blue</b>

## Byley Busy Buddies

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

Prices: Breakfast Club £5/£3.50 (sibling) per session  
After School Club £9.50/£8 (sibling) per session



## FAB (Friends At Byley)

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/](http://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 FAB.

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

If you need any more information, please contact: Catherine Peake-Wildman [wildmanc19@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:wildmanc19@yahoo.co.uk)

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