



The Friday Flyer John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 25th January, 2019

Termly Learning Conferences

Termly Learning Conferences will take place during the week commencing 4th February 2019. Please see your child's class teacher if you have not yet booked your appointment.

PE Kits

PE kit should be kept in school. This should include a plain white T shirt, black or dark green shorts and plimsols or trainers. A plain track suit can be worn for outdoor PE during the cold weather.

School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 28th January – Week 4
Week commencing Monday 4th February – Week 1
Week commencing Monday 11th February – Week 2



John Bunyan School Scarves are available to purchase from the School Office for £2.00 each

Foundation Stage Trip

Please remember to sign in to ParentPay to give consent for the trip to Stansted Airport. If you have any queries, please speak with your child's class teacher.

Residential Trip

The residential trip is open to current Year 5 pupils who will be Year 6 from September. The trip will take place at Fairplay House in Wickham Bishops (near Witham) and will take place between Wednesday 20th and Friday 22nd November, 2019.

You can book your place via ParentPay.

Medieval Man to visit Year 1

To tie in with their topic work, Year 1 will have a visit from a Medieval Man on Monday 4th February. Pupils may come to school in Medieval costume (eg a princess, a knight or a dragon) if they would like to.

Green Team

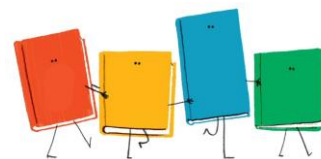
We had our first meeting of the year on Wednesday 16th January. The group made more posters for paper recycling in the classrooms, discussed and approved the agenda for Miss Scrivener's meeting with Mrs Bailey about gardening, bug hotels, a wildflower meadow, paper recycling, environmental studies, a new compost bin on the Key Stage 1 playground, tree and bin research and a new Eco Schools display board near the Key Stage 2 entrance.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 13th February.

ADVANCE WARNING

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2019

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. Children may come to school dressed as a character from a book and we will have activities in classes based around books and stories



Head Lice

We have had some cases of head lice in school recently. Please check your child's hair over the weekend and treat your child if required before they come back in to school.

Bad weather

The County as a whole experiences severe or exceptional weather from time to time, though conditions can vary considerably from one area to another and for this reason the responsibility for decisions about an individual school's organisation on any particular day rests with the Head Teacher.

In the eventuality of bad weather every opportunity will be made to keep the school open. If, however, we have to close the school parents can see the full list of closures on the Essex County Council website. The page can be accessed using the below link and path: <http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Dates/Pages/Emergency-School-Closures.aspx>. Visit Essex County Council's homepage at www.essex.gov.uk, and search for Emergency School Closures or click in to the Education and Schools area, click Schools, click Dates and click Emergency Closures

The quickest and easiest way to find out if the school is open is to visit our website where the information will be displayed on our front page – www.johnbunyan.co.uk and we will keep you updated via Parentmail.

Attendance

Attendance is important

Together we can achieve the best for each child

There is advice and support for parent/carers

Establishing good habits from the start

Not being in school affects life opportunities

Discuss with your child what goes on in school

Arriving late can be disruptive

Notify the school when your child is absent

Celebrate good attendance

EVERY DAY COUNTS

The Government's average percentage rate for attendance is 96 percent. Please help us to attain the Government percentage by ensuring your child's regular attendance. If your child has a minor illness, please discuss with the office if they are able to come into school.

Can we please remind you to call the school when your child is unwell and will be absent from school. Please call before 9.30am. There is an answerphone available if the School Office is busy or not open.

Thank you.

Please could we ask that if you need to take your child out of school for a medical appointment, where possible this should be at the beginning or end of the school day in order to minimize disruption and the loss of teaching time. Furthermore, evidence of an appointment should be provided to the school office where possible (either by letter, text message or appointment card), in order for any absence to be authorised.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 6th February or 13th February – Foundation Stage trip to Stansted Airport

Thursday 31st January – Forest School for Spruces

Monday 4th February – Medieval Man visiting Year 1

Week commencing 4th February – Termly Learning Conferences

Tuesday 5th February – Mini hockey tournament for some Year 5 and 6 pupils

Wednesday 6th and Wednesday 13th February – Foundation Stage trip to Stansted Airport

Thursday 7th February – Forest School for Chestnuts

Monday 11th February – Year 2 Great Fire of London workshops in school

Monday 11th February – Space Dome in school for Year 5

Monday 11th February – Key Stage 1 tennis tournament for some pupils

Tuesday 12th February – Cricket sessions for Years 1, 2 and 3

Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February – Half Term Holiday

Monday 25th February – Back to School

Monday 26th February – Year 5 road safety sessions (details to follow)

Monday 26th February – Cross country running competition for some Key Stage 2 pupils

Thursday 14th March – Victorian Day Trip to Braintree Museum for Year 2 (details to follow)

Thursday 14th March – Forest School for Birches

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief Day

Thursday 21st March – Forest School for Spruces

Monday 25th March – Tennis tournament for some Year 3 and Year 4 pupils

Thursday 28th March – Forest School for Chestnuts

Friday 5th April – Break up for Easter holidays

Term Dates for 2018-2019 Academic Year

Spring Term: 3rd January – 5th April

(Half Term Holiday ~ 18th – 22nd February)

Summer Term: 23rd April – 24th July

(Half Term Holiday ~ 27th May – 31st May)