



The Friday Flyer

John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 20th November, 2020

NON-PUPIL DAY

Friday 18th December will now be a non-pupil day for staff training.

School Applications for Reception Year

You can now apply for a school place for your child for Reception Year in September 2021. Applications are open until 15th January 2021, via www.essex.gov.uk

Drinking Water

Please ensure your child has a water bottle with them every day, which can be filled in school with drinking water. It is important for the children to stay hydrated.

Headlice

We have had several cases of Headlice in school recently. Please remember to check your child's hair regularly and treat the whole family if you see signs of Headlice. We would encourage pupils with long hair to wear their hair tied back

Safety Message

We have reminded our children to keep safe outside of school, particularly when riding a scooter or bike. We are aware of a number of incidents, and have not only stressed the importance of wearing a helmet but also to be considerate of others, including drivers. Please support us in helping to keep everyone in the community happy and safe.



Children in Need – Friday 13th November
Thank you to everyone who donated to Children in Need.

Christmas Activity Week: 11th – 17th December

Please see attached details of Christmas Activity Week.



Christmas performances will be online this year. Please check ParentPay to give consent for your child to take part in online performances.



School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 23rd November – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 30th November – Week 1

Copies of the school dinner menu are available to view on our website www.johnbunyan.co.uk. The Christmas dinner menu will be available next week.

Christmas Cards

We would still like to be able to allow our children to participate in the traditional and fun activity of giving Christmas cards to their school friends during this current Covid-19 period. However, in order to protect everybody:

- Cards can only be brought in for other members of the same class bubble.
- Pupils are to post their own cards into their 'class postbox' (cards are not to be left with the school office or handed to any adult, even if in their bubble).
- The last day cards can come into school is Monday 14th December. The post box will then be closed. Any cards bought in after that will be sent back home that day as there would be insufficient time to quarantine them.
- On the afternoon of the last day of term, Thursday 17th December, following on from an appropriate quarantining period, one class adult will distribute all cards from their class postbox to their pupils, having suitably sanitised their hands first. Pupils will be allowed to open them in school (if they wish) and will then bring them home the same day.

TTRS Rock Out Competition 2020

A huge congratulations to everybody who took part in the 'TTRS Rock Out Competition'. With several thousand schools entering we came an impressive 751st, a remarkable effort made by all! 186,000 points (point per correct answer) shows that our times tables are continuously progressing throughout the school. A special mention goes to Molly Lawrence (1st), Igor Krawczuk (2nd) and Nicole Ferreira (3rd) who achieved top points for the school.

We look forward to competing again next year, keep practicing!
Mr Cullum & Mr Shean

Diary Dates



11th to 17th December – Christmas activity week (please see separate sheet for details)

Friday 11th December – Christmas Jumper Day: wear something Christmassy

Wednesday 16th December - Christmas lunch – menu to follow

Friday 18th December – Non-pupil day for staff training

Festive dates for your diary

Term Dates for 2020-2021 Academic Year

Autumn Term: **Wednesday 2 September 2020 – Friday 18 December 2020**
Half Term 26 October – 30 October
*Non-pupil days 2 September, 23 October, **18 December***

Spring Term: **Monday 4 January 2021 – Friday 26 March 2021**
Half Term 15 February - 19 February
Non-pupil day 12 February

Summer Term: **Monday 12 April 2021 – Wednesday 21 July 2021**
Half Term 31 May – 4 June, and May Bank Holiday 3 May