

The Friday Flyer John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 29th September 2023

<u>Reminder</u>

Non-Pupil Day: Friday 20th October Half Term Holiday: Mon 23rd – Fri 27th October

<u>Harvest</u>

Harvest assemblies will be held in school on Friday 6th October. We would welcome any donations of tinned or packet food (not fresh food), which will be passed to Braintree Food Bank to help local families in need. If you are able to make a donation of food, please could your child bring this into school on <u>Friday 6th October</u>. Attached is the Food Bank shopping list.



TLC Week

After School Clubs will not run during the week commencing <u>30th October</u> due to Termly Learning Conferences taking place in school. Year 1 story time sessions will also not take place during that week.



PTFA

We would like to invite all parents to attend the first PTFA meeting of the year. This is a community group made up of staff, parents and family & friends of children at the school. Persons fulfilling this criteria are automatically members of the PTFA.

As a group, we get together each half term to have a cup of coffee and we organise events to help the school raise money to buy the things that our children would not otherwise have. We would love as many people as possible to attend and bring some new and exciting ideas for fund raising.

The first meeting this term will be held on 31st October 2023 at 9.15am.

School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 2nd October – Week 2 Week commencing Monday 9th October – Week 3 Week commencing Monday 16th October – Week 1

On **Thursday 5th October**, there will be a slight change to the dinner menu, as follows: Crunchy chicken in a wrap or Vegan nugget wrap with optional mayonnaise/sweet chilli sauce sweetcorn/noodle salad/coleslaw/salad bar and

John Bunyan Special Chocolate Brownie

Copies of the school dinner menu are always available to view on our website www.johnbunyan.co.uk and paper copies are available from the school office.

Save the Date

Pupils can **wear something spotty** for Children in Need on Friday 17th November. (If they do not have something spotty, children may wear their own clothes for the day) Donations to Children in Need can be made via ParentPay or online, at

https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk

Please do not send cash donations into school. Thank you.



Trips and Activities now booking

- Permission to walk home alone (Years 5&6)
- Year 6 residential trip 2024
- Home School Agreements
- After school clubs
- Year 3 classes to Braintree Library
- Conifers class to Braintree Museum
- Year 4 to Colchester Castle

Reminder

Please remember we are a nut-free school Please make sure your child's lunch box does not contain nuts or foods with traces of nuts in them such as Nutella chocolate spread. Thank you for your support.

Foundation Stage Parents and Carers (Reception Year and Nursery)

Please remember to bring in your child's birth certificate or passport to the school office for us to check we have their correct date of birth on our computer system. Many thanks.

Tesco Stronger Starts

Please remember that when you make a purchase at a local Tesco store, from next week until mid-January, you can pop your blue token into the voting container to support our application for a grant to build a sensory garden for our SEND children.

Stores taking part are: Braintree Town Centre, Mark's Farm, Great Notley and Tesco Express in Coggeshall Road. Please tell all your friends and family to vote for us!



Drop in coffee afternoon and chat in school 1.45pm – 2.45pm on Monday 16th October Monday 27th November Monday 18th December Come along for an informal chat Toilets When parents and pupils line up in the morning, ready to come in to school, please do not allow your children to go to the toilet in the bushes. We have had some complaints that this is taking place. School Applications – Year 6 Parents The new secondary school admission round opened on 12th September, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school

SEND Parents

Support for parents and carers with children of

any age with Special Educational Needs and

Disabilities:

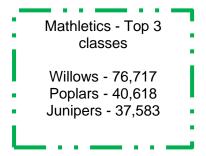
(Year 7) place for September 2024. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2023. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions. All of the application information is available on

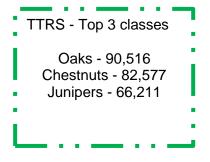
the website above.

School Lottery

Don't forget our school lottery – use the link below for further information. This is open to parents, carers, friends and relatives, and monies raised help fund projects and resources for the school and nursery. https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/john-bunyan-primary-school-and-nursery

Good luck and tell your friends and family!





Diary Dates

Tuesday 3rd October – Conifers class to visit Braintree Museum Friday 6th October – Harvest Assemblies Tuesday 10th October – Year 6 talk by Essex Fire and Rescue Friday 20th October – Non-Pupil Day Monday 30th October – Thursday 2nd November – Termly Learning Conferences Friday 3rd November – Elms class to visit Braintree Library Tuesday 7th November – Flu immunisations Friday 10th November – Sycamores class to visit Braintree Library Friday 10th November – Year 6 trip to Duxford Thursday 16th November – School photographs Friday 17th November – Firs class to visit Braintree Library Tuesday 28th November – Year 4 trip to Colchester Castle Wednesday 20th December – Last day of term, break up for the Christmas holidays

Term Dates for 2023-2024 Academic Year

Autumn Term:	Tuesday 5th September 2023 – Wednesday 20th December 2023 Half Term Holiday Monday 23 rd October to Friday 27 th October Non-Pupil Days: Monday 4 th September and Friday 20 th October
Spring Term:	Thursday 4th January 2024 – Thursday 28th March 2024 Half Term Holiday Monday 19 th February to Friday 23 rd February
Summer Term:	Monday 15th April 2024 – Friday 19th July 2024 Half Term Holiday Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May Non-Pupil Days: Friday 24 th May, Monday 22 nd July and Tuesday 23 rd July Bank Holiday: Monday 6 th May