



# The Friday Flyer

## John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2022

The last day of term will be Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July. School will finish at normal time.

In line with the Government White Paper we are adjusting school finishing times slightly from September 2022. Gates will open at 8.40am at Key Stage 2 and 8.45am at Key Stage 1. All children will need to be in school by 8.55am for registration.

Foundation Stage will finish at 3.05pm  
Lower School (years 1 and 2) will finish at 3.10pm  
Middle school (years 3 and 4) finish at 3.10pm  
Upper school (years 5 and 6) will finish at 3.15pm.

#### Transition Arrangements

You should have received a letter detailing arrangements and teachers for September. If you have not received this, it can be found on the school website [www.johnbunyan.co.uk](http://www.johnbunyan.co.uk) under the 'Parents' tab.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July is **Transition Week** where all pupils will go straight to their new classes. Pupils will be shown where their new class will be in advance of this and there will be members of staff outside in the mornings to help the pupils to find their way.

Current Year 6 pupils will go to the Upper School hall for registration.

#### National Gallery: Take One Picture

We are delighted that Year 3's 'Egyptian Jewellery' project and Reception Year's 'Animals of the Nile' work have both been selected to be displayed at the National Gallery in London, following our submission of the children's work as part of their Take One Picture project. As well as the exhibition onsite, there is also an online version featured on the Gallery's website

<https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/exhibitions/take-one-picture-2022/explore-the-exhibition>

Our work is on pages 28 and 29 if you scroll through the exhibition online.

The exhibition will be displayed onsite until 11<sup>th</sup> September.

#### After-School Clubs

The last after-school clubs will be held next week. There will be no clubs during the last week of term.

#### Year 6 leavers celebration

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July we will be holding our Year 6 leavers performance, commencing at 6.00pm. We would like to invite up to 2 adults per child into school. Please enter via the Upper School reception area.

#### School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Week 3  
Week commencing Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Week 1

Copies of the school dinner menu are always available to view on our website [www.johnbunyan.co.uk](http://www.johnbunyan.co.uk) and paper copies are available from the school office.

When we come back to school in September, we will start back on Week 1 of the existing menu.

#### Crossing Patrol: Coldnailhurst Avenue

We have been asked by Essex County Council to remind parents and pupils to use the School Crossing Patrol on Coldnailhurst Avenue safely. There have been reports of people crossing the road behind the Patrol, where she cannot see them. This is dangerous (especially at the moment with the ongoing roadworks) as it is not immediately clear to the Patrol and drivers that the pedestrians walking behind are actually crossing.

#### Trips and Activities now booking

- Permission to walk home alone (Years 5&6)
- Bikeability – current Year 5
- Year 6 residential trip 2023 (current Year 5)
- Year 2 performances



ParentPay

### **Residential Trip 2023 – Current Year 5 pupils**

We are delighted to tell you that we have organised a 4 day (3 night) residential trip for next year's Year 6 pupils at Kingswood in Norfolk. This will take place between Tuesday 14th - Friday 17th March 2023. There will be a range of exciting activities for the children to take part in. Please see ParentPay for further information and to book your child's place.



### **Safety in the sun**

Now that the warmer weather is here, please remember sunhats, sunscreen and water in order to stay safe in the sun.



Keldie (Pines Class) had her hair cut and kindly donated 16 inches of her hair to the Little Princess Trust. They provide real hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their hair through cancer treatment and other conditions. Well done Keldie, and we love your new hairstyle!



### **Summer Reading Challenge**

The Summer Reading Challenge - Gadgeteers - runs from Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September in all Essex libraries and mobile libraries.

Children are asked to read six books to help the Gadgeteers - and at the same time, they can discover the amazing science and innovation that lies behind the world around them. After reading six books they earn their Gadgeteers certificate and medal.

Children can read any library book of their choice; fiction, non-fiction, picture books or books they share with parents and carers – they all count. There is a special version of Gadgeteers for children under three.



You just need your library card so if you are not already a member, join now, its free and there are always lots of activities going on.

You can find your nearest library and get more information here: [Essex Library Service](https://www.essex.gov.uk/libraries)

### **Headlice**

Please remember to check your child's hair regularly (and before they return to school in September) and treat the whole family if you see signs of Headlice.

### **Mathletics and Times Tables Rockstars**

Well done to all the children who are completing their Mathletics homework and using the TTRockstars at home to practise their times tables. The high scorers for Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July were:

<u>Mathletics – most points earned</u>	<u>TTRockstars – most coins earned</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Erika, Rowans - 6,340	1 <sup>st</sup> Olivia, Spruces - 202,894
2 <sup>nd</sup> Autumn, Poplars - 5,932	2 <sup>nd</sup> Junior, Poplars - 189,277
3 <sup>rd</sup> Harrison, Elders - 3,645	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jake, Chestnuts - 137,589

**Keep up the good work everyone!**

### **A message for Year 2 Parents**

From the Autumn term your child will no longer qualify to receive a free school meal as part of the Government's initiative for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 pupils. If you think your child is eligible to receive free school meals due to your family circumstances, you will need to apply in **July/August** ready for September. Please apply at [www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals](https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals)

If you are **not** in receipt of free school meals a charge of £2.00 per meal will be charged. This must be paid in advance or on the day via ParentPay. If you have not activated your account please contact the school office.

### **Reminder: Uniform for September**

#### **GIRLS:**

- Grey or black skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
- White blouse/shirt/polo shirt/dark green polo shirt
- Green sweatshirt/cardigan/fleece.
- In summer, green and white gingham dress or grey/black shorts are optional.

#### **BOYS:**

- Grey or black trousers
- White shirt or polo shirt/dark green polo shirt
- Green sweatshirt or fleece.
- In summer grey/black shorts are optional.

#### **BOYS AND GIRLS – PE KIT:**

- Green or black shorts
- Plain white T shirt
- Black plimsolls, Light training shoes can be used for outdoor work.

Uniform items are available from [www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com)

**Please ensure that all items of clothing are named.**

#### **Jewellery**

Jewellery is not appropriate for safety reasons and should not be worn for school. The Essex County Council policy is that **NO** earrings should be worn for P.E. Please ensure that your child does not wear them on the day their class has P.E if they cannot remove them on their own. Small studs only are permitted at all other times. If your child wishes to have their ears pierced over the summer break, please ensure that this is done early in the holidays so that the earrings can be removed by the time they come back to school in September.

#### **Hair**

We advise that children with long hair have it tied back. Haircuts/colour that attract additional attention from other children are not suitable for school and cause unwanted distractions, often resulting in children becoming upset.

#### **Shoes**

Children should wear appropriate footwear for school which is comfortable and enables them to play outside safely. Shoes, not trainers, are advised.

## **Diary Dates**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Termly Learning Conferences (Beeches, Yews and Hazels)

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Reception 2022 children to visit

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 9.15am Year 2 End of Year Performance in Key Stage 2 Hall (entry via KS2 gate) **or**

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm Year 2 End of Year Performance in Key Stage 2 Hall (entry via KS2 gate)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Visiting theatre company performance of Peter Rabbit for Years: Reception, 1, 2 and 3 A.M.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Leavers Performance at 6.00pm (entry via KS2 gate)

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term (finish at normal time)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Back to School

### **Term Dates for 2021-2022 Academic Year**

**Summer Term: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

*Half Term Holiday Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2022*

*Non-Pupil Days: Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022*

**The term dates for the academic year 2022-23 are now on our website**