



The Friday Flyer John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 26th May, 2023

Sports Days

We would like to welcome parents and carers into school to watch their child's sports day, as follows:

Nursery: Wed 28th June P.M.
Reception Year and Year 1: Wed 5th July A.M.
Year 2: Wed 5th July P.M.
Year 3 and Year 4: Thurs 6th July P.M.
Year 5 and Year 6: Tuesday 4th July P.M.
(Timings to follow)

School Dinners

The Summer dinner menu will start on Monday 5th June, after the half term holiday.
The menu is available on the school website.

Week commencing Monday 5th June – Week 1
Week commencing Monday 12th June – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 19th June – Week 3

Trips and Activities now booking

- Year 5 trip to Sutton Hoo
- Year 4 trip to Abberton Reservoir
- Permission to walk home alone (Years 5 & 6)
- Home School Agreements
- School uniform
- Snack (Nursery and Reception Year)
- Football matches
- Choir performance
- Road safety visits
- Year 6 trip to Frinton
- District sports event
- Year 2 school dinners



Smart Watches

Children are not permitted to wear SMART watches in school. They are expensive if they get lost or broken and can cause issues with the internet, messaging and call access. If your child comes to school with a smart watch, it will be locked in the safe with all mobile phones as per our guidelines. Thank you.

Thank You

A big thank you to Edward Walker Carpets, who donated a piece of carpet to help us create a more peaceful environment in our Foundation Stage outdoor learning area.

Essex Music Hub donated 4 ex-rental instruments that Reception children have enjoyed playing, as they form their own bands and improvise their own songs.

Reading

Please keep reading with your child over the half term holiday. Comics, story books and fact books all count!



Turn the Subtitles on and help your child learn to read!

Research shows that by simply turning on the subtitles on your television exposes children to countless words. This can help your child learn to read by helping them to establish a link between the written word and the spoken word

Turn On The Subtitles
Read As You Watch



So curl up on the sofa this half term holiday, watch a family film and **TURN ON THE SUBTITLES!**

SEND Parent Support Group

Support for parents and carers with children of any age with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

Drop in Coffee Afternoon 1.45pm – 2.45pm

Monday 12th June 2023
and
Monday 17th July 2023



Come in for an informal chat

Contact Mrs Lovett or Mrs Thatcher for further details

Football Team News

Our football team have been performing brilliantly this term including a 14-nil win and coming second in a tournament.

We would like to get some more bibs for our football training sessions. If anyone knows a local company who would be willing to sponsor us and fund some bibs, please let the office know.

Year 6 Transition Days Reminder

Please see below a list of the Year 6 transition days – pupils should go straight to their senior school on these days.

Alec Hunter - 29th and 30th June

Notley High - 29th and 30th June

Tabor - 30th June only

Honywood - 29th and 30th June

Brentwood Ursuline - 30th June only

School Lottery

Reminder that we have launched a school lottery – details at the link below. This is open to parents, carers, friends and relatives.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/john-bunyan-primary-school-and-nursery>

Good luck and tell your friends and family!

Online Safety

We have been advised about a website called OMEGLE being accessed by primary age children. Omegle requires users to be over 18 and as such often has a lot of adult and sexual content. There are many YouTubers, popular with the children, that are encouraging use of the site, and if using Tiktok live many children accidentally stream themselves whilst navigating Omegle. Please ensure your child is not accessing this site. Should you need any further support or advice please contact the school.

Community Book Box

Next time you are in school, please feel free to come and browse our community book box, next to main reception. It is full of second hand books that are free to borrow at any time.



Termly Learning Conferences

TLCs for Reception to Year 5 will take place during the week commencing 12th June. Please see separate letter for further details.

Year 6 TLCs will take place on 11th July and details will be sent nearer the time.

There will be no after school clubs during TLC week (12th June – 15th June).

Mathletics and Times Tables Rockstars

Well done to all the children who are completing their Mathletics homework and using the TTRockstars at home to practice their times tables. The high scorers for this half term were:

<u>Mathletics – most points earned</u>	<u>TTRockstars – most coins earned</u>
Rowans, year 5: 81,104	Chestnuts, year 4: 546,424
Elders, year 6: 43,249	Elders, year 6: 423,744
Willows, year 3: 36,704	Junipers, year 5: 413,438

Keep up the good work everyone and keep practicing over the half term holiday!

Diary Dates

Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June – Half Term Holiday
Monday 5th June – Back to School, Summer dinner menu starts
Wednesday 7th June – Girls football tournament at Lyons Hall Primary
Thursday 8th June – Year 5 trip to Sutton Hoo
Thursday 8th June – Reception road safety event
Friday 9th June – Year 5 road safety event
Monday 12th June – District Sports day for key stage 2 (Years 3-6)
Monday 12th – Friday 16th June – Termly Learning Conferences
Wednesday 21st June – Boys football tournament at Lyons Hall Primary
Friday 23rd June – Year 4 trip to Abberton Reservoir
Sunday 25th June – Choir performance at St Peter's Church fete
Wednesday 28th June (afternoon) – Sports day for Nursery
Thursday 29th June (afternoon) – Reception 2023 starters to visit
Tuesday 4th July – Sports day for Upper School (Years 5 and 6)
Wednesday 5th July – Sports day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
Wednesday 5th July – Year 6 trip to Frinton
Thursday 6th July – Sports day for Middle School (Years 3 and 4)
Tuesday 11th July – District Sports day for key stage 1 (Years 1-2)
Tuesday 11th July (afternoon) – Reception 2023 starters to visit
Wednesday 19th July – Year 6 leavers performance (evening)
Friday 21st July – Last day of Summer term, break up for the holidays

Term Dates for 2022-2023 Academic Year

Summer Term: **Monday 17th April 2023 – Friday 21st July 2023**
Half Term Holiday Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June
Non-Pupil Day: Monday 17th April
Bank Holidays: Monday 1st May, Monday 8th May

Have a lovely half-term holiday
We look forward to welcoming the children back to school
on Monday 5th June