



The Friday Flyer John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 24th September, 2021

Termly Learning Conferences

After a positive response, we have decided to do virtual Termly Learning Conference appointments for the Autumn term. Letters have been sent out today.

Residential Trip for Year 6 Pupils

We are excited to announce that we have organised a 4 day (3 night) residential trip at Kingswood in West Runton in Norfolk between Tuesday 22nd and Friday 25th March 2022. There will be a range of thrilling outdoor and indoor adventure activities for the children to take part in. The cost of the visit will be £211 and includes return travel by coach, all food, accommodation and a full programme of activities. **There is still time to book your child's place.** Please contact the School Office if you have any queries.

Foundation Stage Parents and Carers (Reception Year and Nursery)

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

Head Lice

Please remember to check your child's hair regularly and to treat the whole family if you see signs of head lice. We would encourage pupils with long hair to wear their hair tied back.

Kidaround Magazine

The September issue is here! There is advice, education, after school clubs and lots of events to keep you and your family busy, fit and healthy. [TO READ IT, CLICK HERE](#) or on the Image



School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 27th September – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 4th October – Week 3
Week commencing Monday 11th October – Week 1

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.

Summer Holiday 2022

Essex County Council have changed the published school term dates for this year, to take account of the extra Bank Holiday for HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The summer holiday will now start on Friday 22nd July and there will be a non-pupil day on Thursday 21st July so the last day for the children to be in school will be Wednesday 20th July.

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival celebration will be held during the week commencing Monday 4th 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 Monday 4th October.



Secondary School Applications for Year 6 Pupils

The application period for admissions to Year 7 (secondary school) for September 2022 is now open. Parents and carers of current Year 6 pupils need to make their applications via www.essex.gov.uk by 31st October 2021.



We all enjoyed
Gemma's farm visit.
Cilla, the Shetland
foal was only 4
weeks old

Thank You

We hope that you have been able to see the fabulous new planters outside the Key Stage 2 entrance. A huge thank you to the wonderful group of volunteers who have planted these and to Perrywoods Nursery who have donated the plants.



Mercury Theatre

Please find attached a letter regarding new music and singing opportunities at Mercury Theatre, Colchester, for pupils.

Well Done Jack!

Well done to Jack in Cedars class who took part in the Ninja Karts World Finals at the Ipswich Spedweekend event. Jack came 6th out of 30 competitors and we are incredibly proud of his achievement.

Natasha's Law

Natasha's Law comes into effect on 1st October. Hopefully you have had time to read the information sent out on Monday. Natasha's Law is there to protect all allergy sufferers. Thank you for your understanding in helping us to keep everybody safe

Year 5 – Local Walk

On Thursday 7th October all Year 5 pupils will be going out on a local walk. They will need a packed lunch, water bottle and suitable coat and shoes for the weather.

Diary Dates

Monday 27th – Tuesday 28th September – Bikeability for Yews class
Tuesday 28th September – Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Wednesday 29th September – Football tournament for some Year 5 and Year 6 pupils
Week commencing Monday 4th October – Termly Learning Conferences – details to follow
Monday 4th October – Harvest Festival, donations of food to Braintree Food Bank
Tuesday 5th October - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Tuesday 5th October - Football tournament for some Year 5 and Year 6 pupils
Thursday 7th October – Year 5 local walk
Tuesday 12th October - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Monday 18th October – Flu immunisations in School
Tuesday 19th October - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Friday 22nd October – Non-Pupil Day
Monday 25th – Friday 29th October – Half Term Holiday
Monday 1st November – Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 2nd November – Back to School
Tuesday 2nd November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Friday 5th November – Trip to ballet at Royal Opera House in London for some pupils
Tuesday 9th November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers

Term Dates for 2021-2022 Academic Year

Autumn Term: **Wednesday 1st September 2021 – Friday 17th December 2021**
Half Term Holiday Monday 25th – Friday 29th October 2021
Non-Pupil Days: Wednesday 1st September, Friday 22nd October, Monday 1st November

Spring Term: **Tuesday 4th January 2022 – Friday 1st April 2022**
Half Term Holiday Monday 14th – Friday 18th February 2022

Summer Term: **Tuesday 19th April 2022 – Thursday 21st July 2022**
Half Term Holiday Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June 2022
Non-Pupil Days: Tuesday 19th April, Thursday 21st July