

## The Friday Flyer **John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery**



## Friday 20th September, 2019

#### Welcome

Welcome to our Specialist Teachers who have joined us at the beginning of this academic year: Mrs Reynolds, Mrs Davidson (music) and Mrs Miciak (modern foreign languages). Welcome also to our new student teacher, Miss Wilson, who is working in Foundation Stage.

#### **PTFA News**

The PTFA have recently raised money for new goal posts and for tracksuits, to be worn when pupils are asked to represent the school at sporting activities.

Weather permitting, during the week commencing 7th October, pupils will be able to take part in a sponsored walk, jog or run in aid of our PTFA. The distance will be age-appropriate. All money raised by sponsoring the children will be used to purchase books for our library. Forms will come out next week.

Parent Support Group for parents and carers with children of any age with Special **Educational Needs and Disabilities** 

Drop in Coffee Afternoon Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 2.00–3.00pm: 23rd September 21st October 25th November 16th December

Come for an informal chat

Contact Mrs Lovett or Mrs Jagger for further information.

#### **Choir Club**

After-school choir club will now finish at 4.15pm.

#### 11+ exam

We wish all our Year 6 children who are taking the 11+ exam over the next few weeks all the best!

### Trips and Activities now booking

Now available to book via ParentPay:

- Key Stage 1 football tournament
- Years 5 and 6 boys football tournament
- Year 5 and 6 girls football tournament
- Year 3 trip to Lee Valley (Stone Age Day)
- Forest School consent for Reception Year
- Year 6 trip to Imperial War Museum Duxford



#### **Learning Champions**

Our Learning Champions for this year are:

Birches - Amelia W and Jason

Chestnuts - Jamie-Leigh and Jayden

Spruces - Gracie and Jake

Poplars - Thomas and Freya

Rowans - William and Ava E

Junipers - Amellia and Rhys

Elders - Harrison and Chloe

Larches - Evie-Jo and Calvin

Cedars - Archie and Lexi

Beeches - Oscar and Lela

Hazels - Ella and Oakley Yews - Sadie and Jake

Maples - William and Orlaith

Pines - Jessica and Anaiya

Hawthorns - Chloe, Igor K and Harry

Elms - Devonne and Jessica

Firs - Ruby and Scarlett Sycamores - Emily and Alfie

#### **School Dinners**

Copies of the Summer menu are available on the school website www.johnbunyan.co.uk and paper copies are available from the school office.

Week commencing Monday 23rd September – Week 4 Week commencing Monday 30th September - Week 1 Week commencing Monday 7th October - Week 2 Week commencing Monday 14th October – Week 3 Week commencing Monday 21st October - Week 4 ~Half Term Holiday~

#### P.E. Kits

Please ensure that your child has a named P.E. kit in school at all times. The kit should include white top, green or black shorts and plimsoles or trainers.

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.

#### **Attendance**

Attendance is important

Together we can achieve the best for each child There is advice and support for parent/carers Establishing good habits from the start Not being in school affects life opportunities Discuss with your child what goes on in school Arriving late can be disruptive Notify the school when your child is absent Celebrate good attendance

**EVERY DAY COUNTS** 

#### Year 6

As you may be aware, the new secondary school admission round opened this week, for parents of current Year 6 children to apply for a secondary school (Year 7) place for September 2020. The closing date for applications is the end of October 2019. Applications should be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

#### Harvest Assemblies

Thank you to everyone who donated items of food to our Harvest Assemblies today. These have been donated to Braintree Food Bank to help local families in need.



#### MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT AND CCLG FUNDRAISERS

This year, we will be holding two events in aid of Macmillan and Childrens Cancer and Leukaemia Group. These two charities have been selected as they are very personal to us at John Bunyan Primary School and Nursery. On Friday 27th of September, there will be a prize draw in aid of Macmillan. You have been given 5 strips of raffle tickets, each strip costing £1. If you would like to buy a strip, or hopefully all 5, then please keep one side and return the other side with your name on the back of EACH ticket and your payment in the envelope provided. Please return all envelopes as soon as possible.

In addition, we thought it would be great to raise awareness of the 'BE BOLD, GO GOLD' campaign being held throughout September for Childhood cancer. On Thursday 26th September, we will be asking the children to wear a YELLOW, GOLD OR BRIGHT accessory to school (e.g. a hat, pair of socks etc). The children will discuss the special day in class (at an appropriate level) and have an opportunity to learn more about our special charities. The staff will also be involved in wearing gold ribbons. If you wish to make a donation towards either charity on this day, please send into school in an envelope. Many thanks for your help and support

# **Diary Dates**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – Key Stage 1 football tournament

Thursday 26th September – Wear something gold or yellow and make a donation to charity

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Years 5 and 6 football tournament

Tuesday 8th October – Year 3 trip to Lee Valley (Stone Age Day)

Wednesday 9th October - Forest School for Willows

Tuesday 15th – Wednesday 16th October – Bikeability

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Pines class to Braintree Museum

Wednesday 16th October – Forest School for Conifers

Wednesday 16th October - Years 5 and 6 girls football tournament

Friday 18th October – Maples class to Braintree Museum

Monday 21st - Tuesday 22nd October - Bikeability

Wednesday 23rd October - Forest School for Oaks

Thursday 24th October – Hawthorns class to Braintree Museum

Friday 25th October - Non-pupil day

Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – Half Term Holiday

Monday 4th November – Non-pupil day

Wednesday 13th November - Year 6 trip to Imperial War Museum Duxford

Wednesday 13th November – Forest School for Willows

Thursday 14th November – School Photographer for individual and sibling group photos, details to follow

Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd November - Year 6 Residential Trip

Wednesday 20th November - Forest School for Conifers

Week commencing Monday 25th November – Last week of clubs

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Forest School for Oaks

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Pantomime in school for Years 1 and 2

Friday 13th December – Year 4 Performance

Tuesday 17th December – Christmas Carol Concert at St Peter's Church Bocking

Thursday 19th December – Break up for Christmas holidays

#### Term Dates for 2019-2020 Academic Year

Autumn Term: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 Half Term 28<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November

Non-Pupil Days: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Spring Term: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

Half Term 17<sup>th</sup> February – 21<sup>st</sup> February

Summer Term: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020 Half Term 25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May, and May Bank Holiday Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May