



The Friday Flyer John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Thursday 21st October, 2021

Climate Week

After half term, the children will be participating in Climate week; a topic that many are passionate about! We will be talking about the impact that we are having on the planet and what small changes we can make to have a more positive impact on our environment.

We will be enjoying lots of exciting activities - planting trees as part of the Queen's Jubilee Celebration, making artwork and enjoying stories, to name but a few!



Non-Pupil Days

Please remember that we have a non-pupil day for staff training tomorrow, Friday 22nd October. The half term holiday is next week, and we have a further non-pupil day on Monday 1st November (the day after the half term holiday). The children come back to school on Tuesday 2nd November.

School Photographs

We are delighted that the school photographer will be with us on Tuesday 9th November to take individual and sibling group photos. If you wish to request a photo of your children together, please do this via ParentPay before Tuesday 2nd November. We regret we are unable to accommodate siblings who are not in our school or Nursery.

Reading with your child

Please keep reading with your child over the half term holiday.

Turn On The Subtitles Read As You Watch



Research has demonstrated that turning on the sub-titles when watching the TV can help your child learn to read by helping them to establish a systematic link between the written word and the spoken word! So try switching on the subtitles and help your child learn to read!

School Dinners

Week commencing Tuesday 2nd November – Week 1
Week commencing Monday 8th November – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 15th November – Week 3
This will be the new **Winter** menu

Climate week menu

There will be a change to the published menu on the first day back at school (Tuesday 2nd November) to celebrate "Climate Week". We will have Meat Free Tuesday and the menu will be:
Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Beans or sweetcorn
Selection of salads
Apple crumble muffin

No waste Wednesday, Low Energy Tuesday and Sustainable Fish Friday meals will remain unchanged.



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.

Children in Need Day: Friday 19th November

To celebrate Children in Need Day this year children can come to school in something spotty or wear their own non-uniform clothes. Donations to Children in Need can be made online this year, at <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk>
Please do not send in cash donations.
Thank you.



Parking and Road Safety

If you drive to school, please park with consideration to other road users and our neighbours near the school. Please do not block driveways or park on the yellow zig-zag lines, in order to help keep everyone safe. Thank you.

After School Clubs

All after school clubs will continue after the half term holiday, starting back on Tuesday 2nd November.

ParentPay Items for Consent

Home-School Agreement – all years

- Imperial War Museum trip – Year 6
- Sports events – Various

Please check your ParentPay items regularly to see if you need to add consent to any events.

Sports Events

All classes have been taking part in an intra-school competition in basketball and dodgeball. There will be a termly prize for the team with the most points.



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.

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.

Secondary School Applications for Year 6 Pupils

The application period for admissions to Year 7 (secondary school) for September 2022 is now open. Please remember to make an application via www.essex.gov.uk by 31st October 2021.

School Applications for Reception Year

From 8th November you can apply for a school place for your child to join us in Reception Year in September 2022. Applications are open until 15th January 2022, via www.essex.gov.uk

Diary Dates

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
Wednesday 3rd November – New Age Kurling competition for some children
Friday 5th November – Trip to ballet at Royal Opera House in London for some pupils in Year 5
Tuesday 9th November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Tuesday 9th November – Individual and Sibling photos in school
Tuesday 9th November – Dodgeball event for some pupils
Wednesday 10th November – Year 6 trip to Imperial War Museum
Tuesday 16th November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Tuesday 23rd November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Tuesday 23rd November – Reception Year and Year 6 heights and weights screenings
Tuesday 30th November - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Monday 6th December – Year 2 Superhero Day, further details to follow
Tuesday 7th December - Abberton Rural Training, planting with volunteers
Tuesday 14th December - 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