



The Friday Flyer

John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 7th January, 2022

Welcome Back

On behalf of the governors and staff may I say a very Happy New Year to you all and a big thank you for all your good wishes, cards and gifts given before the Christmas break.

Unfortunately Covid rates remain high and this week has seen over 60 of our children isolating, together with several members of staff. It appears that regulations change on almost a daily basis but please be vigilant and seek advice if your children have any symptoms at all.

We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for children this term and it has been lovely to hear the children talking about New Years Resolutions, displaying a growth mindset and thinking about what they would like to do to further improve their learning this year.

Best wishes, stay safe
Mrs Bailey

Year 6 Residential Trip

Don't forget you can pay for the Year 6 residential trip by small instalments over the coming weeks. Please note that the full payment of £211 needs to be made by 25th February 2022.

Year 3 Egyptian Day

As part of their studies, Year 3 will be having an Egyptian day on Thursday 13th January. Further details on ParentPay.

We would love the children to dress up for the day. They can wear a large white t-shirt with a sash/belt over their own clothes, to make it very simple.

Home School Agreement

If you haven't already added your agreement, please go onto ParentPay and do so.

ParentPay Items

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

Swimming Lessons for Year 4

We are delighted to once again be able to offer swimming lessons at Braintree pool to our Year 4 pupils. These will be every Monday afternoon. Rowans and half of Poplars class will swim during the Spring Term; Junipers and half of Poplars will swim during the Summer Term. Please see ParentPay for further details. Swimming hats are available from the School Office at a price of £2.

School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 10th January – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 17th January – Week 3
Week commencing Monday 24th January – 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.

School Applications for Reception Year

You can now 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

Poppy Appeal

We are delighted to let you know that we raised an amazing £525.35 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

We were informed that this was one of the highest totals for an organisation in the Braintree area.



Thank you for your generosity.

Reminder – PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school at all times. The kit should include a plain white T shirt, green or black shorts and plimsoles or trainers. Pupils can wear a tracksuit or similar for outdoor PE lessons, if they wish.

The Essex County Council policy is that NO earrings should be worn for PE. Please ensure that your child does not wear earrings on the day their class has PE if they cannot remove them on their own. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Thursday 13th January – Ancient Egyptian Day for Year 3 pupils
Week commencing 31st January – Termly Learning Conferences – more details to follow
Thursday 3rd February – Space Dome in school for Year 5
Monday 14th – Friday 18th February – Half Term holiday
Monday 21st February – Year 2 trip to Braintree Museum
Thursday 3rd March – Visit from an author for World Book Week
Friday 1st April - Last day of term, break up for Easter holidays

Term Dates for 2021-2022 Academic Year

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 2022, Thursday 21st July 2022