



The Friday Flyer

John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 16th April, 2021



Fabulous News – Well Done Poplars!

Poplars class have studied a painting from The National Gallery called 'The Battle of San Romano' by Paolo Uccello, as part of the gallery's 'Take One Picture' project. Our work included designing, drawing and painting our own Italian style shields as part of a national competition and our work has been selected to be part of a public display at the gallery. You can visit the National Gallery website via the link below.

<https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/learning/take-one-picture>



Non-Pupil Day

Our final non-pupil day of this academic year will be **Monday 7th June** (straight after the half-term holiday)

The term dates and non-pupil days for the next academic year are now on our website (under the Parents tab).

Nursery

Register now for a Nursery place for your child for a September start.

We can take children from the age of 3.

COVID 19

Thank you for all your support to date helping to keep our community as safe as possible. We continue to keep in our bubbles in school, hand washing, maintaining good ventilation and your children are all so respectful of the arrangements we have in place to keep everybody safe. We are very proud of them.

Please continue to seek advice from 111 if your child has any symptoms at all, better to be extra cautious and seek a test if you have any doubts. The last thing that we want is to have to close class bubbles and children miss yet more valuable time in school.

Comic Relief

Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief.

Year 5 did a Superhero Car Wash to raise money. Dressed as superheroes, the pupils washed staff cars and then gave out donation cards for the staff to complete on how well a job they did. Year 5 raised an amazing £324.90 for the charity.

A huge well done to all of Year 5 and a special thanks for the kind donations from the staff members too.



Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

To order your Year 6 Leavers Hoodie, please see the letter on ParentPay. Please note there are two options on ParentPay, depending on the size required, so please select the correct option.

Also, a big well done to Peter in Beeches class who raised a fantastic £187.50 for Comic Relief.

Earrings

All jewellery needs to be removed for PE. Taping earrings for any reason is not allowed under the **Essex County Council Health & Safety Policy**. If children can remove their earrings, we can put them in a small envelope to take home. However, if they cannot take their earrings out children will have to sit out of PE. With this in mind, if you intend to have your child's ears pierced we recommend that you do so at the start of the summer break, allowing time for them to heal and for the earrings to be safely removed without closing.

Year 6 Pupils - Bikeability

Essex County Council will again be running a Bikeability course for Year 6 pupils and a letter has been sent about this. Please reply via ParentPay to express an interest in taking part.

Safety Notice

Bikes and scooters can only be brought into school by years 5 and 6. We continue to speak to all children about safety whilst riding and the importance of wearing a cycle helmet. Last term our community police officers visited and spoke with children, reiterating that helmets are essential when riding bikes and indeed they gave the statistics of how many serious accidents they attend which involve cyclists. Two of our own children were involved in accidents on the way to school and thankfully incurred only minor injuries. Please ensure your child wears their helmet.

After School Clubs

Years 4, 5 and 6 have been notified of class clubs commencing next week. There are a few spaces left in some of the class clubs so please contact the office if you would like a space.

School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 19th April – Week 2 of Summer menu
Week commencing Monday 26th April – Week 3 of Summer menu
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.

Relationships Policy

Following Government guidelines we have drawn up our new Relationships, Health and Sex Education Policy taking onboard the views of staff, governors and children. This is currently only a draft and we would welcome any comments that you have before it is approved and implemented in full. As a school we are only teaching content which is statutory. The policy is on our website under Our School Policies and any comments should be addressed to Mrs Nicholls via email admin@johnbunyan.co.uk by 30th April.

John Bunyan Olympics

After two Olympic events the leader board is very close. The teams have all shown excellent teamwork and resilience so far. Well done!

Currently the top three are:

- 1st place USA (Poplars)
- 2nd place Australia (Yews)
- 3rd place Greece (Beeches)



Diary Dates

Monday 19 th April	After School Clubs start
Monday 3 rd May	Spring Bank Holiday – School closed
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Half Term Holiday
Monday 7 th June	Non-pupil day
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of term, break up for Summer holidays

Term Dates for 2020-2021 Academic Year

Summer Term: **Monday 12 April 2021 – Wednesday 21 July 2021**
May Bank Holiday 3 May, Half Term Holiday 31 May – 4 June, and non-pupil day 7 June