



The Friday Flyer

John Bunyan Primary School & Nursery



Friday 24th June, 2022

School Dinners

Week commencing Monday 27th June – Week 1
Week commencing Monday 4th July – Week 2
Week commencing Monday 11th July – Week 3
Week commencing Monday 18th July – 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.

Year 6 Leavers

As a special leaving treat Year 6 children will be going to Frinton on Sea on Tuesday 5th July. The children can wear their own clothes that are suitable for the weather and will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty of drinks. There is no charge for this trip. Please see ParentPay for further details and to give your consent.

On Wednesday 13th July we will be holding our Year 6 leavers performance, commencing at 6.00pm. We would like to invite up to 2 adults per child into school.

Trips and Activities now booking

- Home School Agreement for all pupils (if not yet completed)
- Permission to walk home alone (Years 5&6)
- Bikeability – current Year 5
- Abberton trip – Year 4
- Year 6 leavers trip to Frinton
- Call of the Wild trip – Year 1
- Year 6 residential trip 2023



Residential Trip 2023 – Current Year 5 pupils

We are delighted to tell you that we have organised a 4 day (3 night) residential trip for next year's Year 6 pupils at Kingswood in Norfolk. This will take place between Tuesday 14th - Friday 17th March 2023. There will be a range of exciting activities for the children to take part in. Please see ParentPay for further information and to book your child's place.

Attendance Matters

Attending school is essential for students to make good progress, achieve their academic potential and consequently have better life chances.

Every student is expected by the **Government** to maintain at least 96.1% attendance.

Below are examples of how attendance impacts on learning over a year and five year period:

One year:

98% - approximately 4 days absent.

95% - approximately 10 days absent.

90% - approximately 4 weeks absent.

85% - approximately 5 ½ weeks absent.

80% - approximately 7 ½ weeks absent

Over a five year period:

85-90% is similar to half a year off school.

80% is similar to having a whole year off school

The school gates close at 8.55am and all pupils should be in school by that time. If a pupil is late or at an appointment and needs to come in via the school office then a parent will need to accompany the child and sign them in as late.

Please inform the school if your child will be absent or late for any reason (01376 321814).

Holidays and absence in Term Time

Whilst we do understand that holidays may have had to be rebooked, due to the Pandemic, it is the position of the Local Authority that pupils should not be granted leave of absence in term time unless for an **exceptional reason**. To comply with the attendance regulations parents **MUST** please complete an absence request form for any time that they are planning to take their child out of school, even if they know that it will be unauthorised. It is the directive of the Local Authority that if a parent decides to take their child out of school for **5 days or more** that they will incur a Penalty Notice of £60 per parent per child. This money does not go to the school but to the Local Authority.

PTFA News

The next PTFA meeting will be held in school on Friday 1st July at 9.15am. All welcome – come along and share your ideas.

Safety in the sun

Now that the warmer weather is here, please remember sunhats, sunscreen and water in order to stay safe in the sun.

After-School Clubs

The last after-school clubs will be held during the week commencing 11th July. There will be no clubs during the last week of term.

SEND Parents

Support for parents and carers with children of any age with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities: Drop in coffee afternoon and chat in school, **Monday 27th June, 1.45 - 2.45pm**

Sports Days

It was lovely to welcome so many families into school for our sports days this week. We hope you enjoyed supporting your children in their activities.

Termly Learning Conferences

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended Termly Learning Conferences last week. Year 6 TLCs will be held on Tuesday 12th July.

A message for Year 2 Parents

From the Autumn term your child will no longer qualify to receive a free school meal as part of the Government's initiative for Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 pupils. If you think your child is eligible to receive free school meals due to your family circumstances, you will need to apply in **July/August** ready for September.

Please apply at www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

If you are **not** in receipt of free school meals a charge of £2.00 per meal will be charged. This must be paid in advance or on the day via ParentPay. If you have not activated your account please contact the school office.

Mathletics and Times Tables Rockstars

Well done to all the children who are completing their Mathletics homework and using the TTRockstars at home to practise their times tables. The high scorers for Monday 6th June - Sunday 19th June were:

<u>Mathletics – most points earned</u>	<u>TTRockstars – most coins earned</u>
1 st Erika, Rowans - 7,980	1 st Junior, Poplars - 122,681
2 nd Jake, Poplars - 4290	2 nd Jack, Poplars - 84,215
3 rd Raul, Chestnuts - 2900	3 rd Amelia C, Cedars - 58,205

Keep up the good work everyone!

Diary Dates

Saturday 25th June – School choir to sing at St. Peter's in the Fields Summer Fete at 12.00pm
Monday 27th June – Hawthorns class (Foundation Stage) and Beeches class (Yr 6) to visit Braintree Library A.M
Tuesday 28th June – Football Rally for some Key Stage 2 pupils
Friday 1st July – Year 4 trip to Abberton Reservoir (details on ParentPay)
Monday 4th July – Pines class (Foundation Stage) and Hazels (Yr 6) to visit Braintree Library P.M.
Tuesday 5th July – Year 6 trip to Frinton on Sea (please see ParentPay)
Wednesday 6th July - Year 1 trip to Call of the Wild Zoo (details on ParentPay)
Tuesday 12th July – Year 6 Termly Learning Conferences (Beeches, Yews and Hazels)
Tuesday 12th July – Reception 2022 children to visit
Tuesday 12th July 9.15am Year 2 End of Year Performance in Key Stage 2 Hall **or**
Wednesday 13th July 2.00pm Year 2 End of Year Performance in Key Stage 2 Hall
Wednesday 13th July - Visiting theatre company performance of Peter Rabbit for Years: Reception, 1, 2 and 3 A.M.
Wednesday 13th July - Year 6 Leavers Performance at 6.00pm
Wednesday 20th July – Last day of term
Monday 5th September – Back to School

Term Dates for 2021-2022 Academic Year

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

The term dates for the academic year 2022-23 are now on our website