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BJS Bulletin

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HEADLINES

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much for coming along to Parent Partnership Evenings this week. It was really lovely to see you all. Thank you for all the positive comments that we received on the new 'bright and airy feel' the school has. We are passionate about displaying your children's work around school, showing off their gifts and talents in all areas of the curriculum.

If by any chance you did not get chance to make an appointment then please contact our office and they will pass your requests for an appointment to our teaching staff who will try their best to accommodate you. It was great to see so many children coming to the meetings too! This gives a powerful message to children that we are all in their education together. Long gone are the days of my childhood where I would wait anxiously at home to see what my teacher said about me. It really helps to have these transparent and open dialogue sessions.

We are nearly at half term, I think the children are looking particularly tired! We are reinforcing the need to keep our high standards of presentation up, reminding them of manners and generally talking to them about focusing on good learning behaviours. We are fortunate to have 410 children who are doing fabulously well, but as we know when we are tired then our patience begins to wain. Please have a chat with your children at home about keeping their positive mind set :-)



Date for your diary - **Allotment winter clearing afternoon this Saturday from 2p.m.- until 4p.m.** You are most welcome to come along and give me a hand. I will bring cake :-)

School Disco Tonight

Friday 16th October

Years 3 & 4 —6.00 to 7.15pm

Years 5 & 6 —7.30 to 8.45pm

Entry £2 on the door

There will be drinks, sweets and glitter tattoos for the children to purchase. Please note strobe and UV lighting may be used



Inspire

Challenge

Achieve

Pupil Premium Statement - What do we use it for?

The Pupil Premium is an amount of money the government allocates to each school, to support all pupils to reach their potential. Pupil Premium is used within our school to enhance the learning potential of the whole school community, as well as ensuring disadvantaged children have equal opportunities to learn and reach their potential.

The Government believes it is for schools to decide how the Pupil Premium is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility.

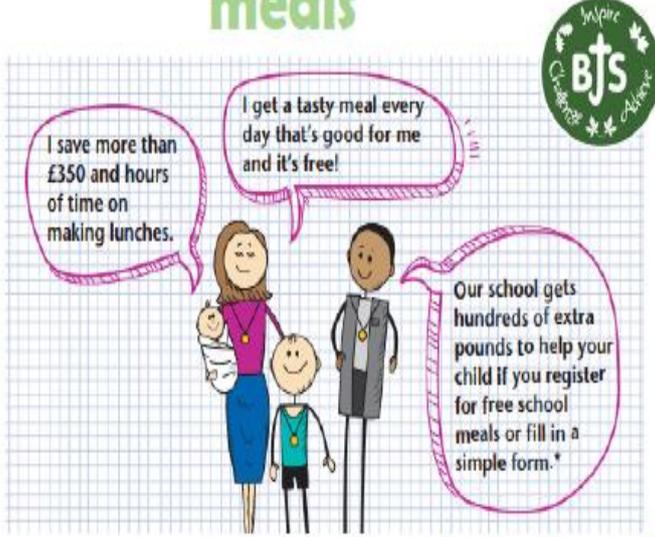
Our Pupil Premium Funding for 2015/16 is **£72,800** and this is based on the pupils that have signed up - please see poster to the side of this article to see if you could help increase this amount!

We use Pupil Premium for a range of interventions and support services, including:

- providing small group phonic sessions with an experienced HLTA focussed on overcoming gaps in reading through the Project X Scheme
- home/school support worker to work closely with families, offering support and guidance on a number of areas, which include attendance and punctuality at school
- Forest schools - training and resources
- additional teacher support and smaller teaching groups for English and maths
- reading support in Year 3 and Year 4 through HLTA and morning reading sessions
- small group catch up and pre-learning support throughout the school
- homework club for children in Year 5 and Year 6
- 1:4 support for those who need additional support in Year 6 to make expected levels of progress
- Specialist SEND teacher that offers intervention work in small groups

The pupil premium funding has enabled us to provide these interventions and support. As a result, by the time pupils leave the school, at the end of Year 6, we have narrowed the gap between the attainment of our pupils eligible for free school meals and non-free meals pupils. If you would like to see the full Pupil Premium statements please visit the school website, under the school info page.

Claim your free school meals



...everyone's a winner!

Applying for Free School Meals has never been easier.

Parents can either call 01926 742060 or visit www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals and receive an instant decision regarding eligibility. Any information you provide will be treated in absolute confidence. If you receive any of the following benefits then your child may be eligible for Free School Meals:

- Income Support or Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance (but not Contribution Based Job Seeker's Allowance).
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit.
- Child Tax Credit where the family's annual income as assessed by HMRC is not in excess of £16,190. Please note that families who are also entitled to Working Tax Credit do not qualify for Free School Meals.
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (but not Contribution-Based Employment and Support Allowance).

*If you qualify we are be entitled to an extra £1,300 of pupil premium benefits so please sign up to help support your child and the school.

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Lunch Time Awards—Top Table

Every week Mrs. Reeves-Brown awards children for demonstrating our Christian values during lunch time, the nominated children get an invitation to join the top table on the Friday of that week. This week the lunch time top table awards go to:

Service - Tatum C (4SV), Amelia S (4SV) and Lola C (4SV)

Respect - Josh S (4SV), Kieran B (4SV), Dimitris V (4SV) and Ben H (4SV)

Generosity - Arthur M (5AB)

Compassion - Myia D (4FW)

Responsibility - Allaya C (6KC), Justin H (6AL) and Jessica N (5AB)



Excellence Awards

This week's Excellence Awards were presented to the following children during Thursday's assembly:

3AT—Alfie M for the huge improvement in handwriting and presentation. Great effort and perseverance.

3ED—Jasmine W for fantastic handwriting.

3MB—Joel B for his calm, helpful and sensible manner at all times.

4FW—Oscar W for making a huge effort with his learning this week.

4SV—Adam M for his enthusiasm and participation in all lessons.

4JE—Aimee F for an amazing persuasive script in English.

5AB—Mimi B for giving her all in everything, especially maths.

5FM—Craig B for making an effort in his learning this week.

5SS Josh B for his effort and enthusiasm in maths this week.

6KC—Tristan C for making an excellent effort in being a classroom helper.

6BG—Amber V for being a responsible member of the class., she can always be counted on to do the right thing!

6AL—Eve C for her great approach to school life and learning, a great helper around the class too!

French—Kayleigh T for outstanding application of her learning about expressions of opinions in the context of newspapers! Bravo!

Well Done to everyone—keep up the great work!



Punctuality

Congratulations to Oak for winning their first Time Keeper's Award so far this term! Oak had the lowest number of late marks with 6 across the house this week! Sycamore followed with 8 and Chestnut trailed behind with 10.

Thank you to 3MB and 3AT who all arrived on time this week along with 5FM.



Scary but Safe

Don't give yourself too much of a fright this Halloween night.



See that the costume fits properly to avoid trips and falls
Always check costumes for a CE mark, instructions and safety information
Flames should be kept away from the child and costume, or use LED lights
Ensure any masks or hoods don't stop the child from seeing, or breathing



FDS Football

Please may we remind parents when collecting children from FDS to wait by the school hall doors or under the covered area, please do not distract them finishing their game by going onto the field. Thank you

Year 4 Assembly for parents / carers

There will be a Year 4 assembly at 3.30pm on the 19th October, please come along and see what Year 4 have been doing.....

We would be grateful for any donations of non-perishable items to the harvest food bank collection from Monday 19th—see list on back page

Data Sheets

Can we please remind you to complete and return the data sheets that were recently sent home. We need to ensure the school records are up to date. Thank you



Medicines



If your child needs to take prescribed medicine from a doctor and it has to be taken 4 times a day you are advised where possible to come in yourself to administer the medicine, if not you need to fill in a form **BEFORE** school is able to administer it. Forms can be picked up from the office. Thank you



PTA NEWS

The PTA really does need more support, there is so much that could be done to raise vital funds for the school. If you feel you can offer support by joining the PTA, please email pta@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk.

Dates for the diary:

⇒ **Thursday 5th November—**
Fireworks, gates will open at 5.30pm. The Firework display is fantastic so come and join us and enjoy a hot dog! The actual firework display will be set off at 6.30pm. Booking forms have been sent home, copies can be obtained from the school office.



⇒ **Saturday 28th November—Christmas Fayre (11am to 3pm)**

The PTA have agreed to purchase some lunch time plates, bowls and trays at a cost of £1,000, this will enable the children to move away from using the plastic 'all in one' trays.

Dates for the Diary 2015

Monday 19th October, 3.30pm —Year 4 will be performing their harvest assembly for parents / carers

Friday 23rd October—school closes at 3.30pm for half term

26th October to 30th October - Half Term (School Closed)

Christmas Concerts—St.Marks Church

Tuesday 8/12/15 -Sycamore (3MB, 4FW, 5FM and 6AL)

Wednesday 9/12/15 - Oak(3AT, 4SV, 5SS and 6BG)

Thursday 10/12/15 - Chestnut (3ED, 4JE, 5AB and 6KC)

Friday 18th December— school closes at 3.30pm for the Christmas break.

Has your child been enjoying waveboarding in year 5?

HARRIS C of E ACADEMY SCHOOL SPORTS PARTNERSHIP



Year 5&6 Streetsurf Club

Wednesdays 5pm to 6pm

At Harris Sports Centre



Numbers are strictly limited! Book Your Place Now!

To Book Call 01788 812549 extension 304 or email

admin@harrisacademyschoolsportsport.org.uk with your child's name, school, date of birth and a contact telephone number. We will confirm whether we have a place available.

The Club costs £6 per week payable a half term in advance so for 04/11/15 to 16/12/15 (7 weeks) the cost is £42 per person. You will need to complete a booking form and consent form with your payment. We look forward to meeting you!

Rugby foodbank Harvest 2015

Please can you bring any donations into school between **Monday 19th October and Wednesday 21st October.**

Thank you for your support

SHOPPING LIST.

MILK (UHT OR POWDERED)
SUGAR (500g)
FRUIT JUICE (LONG LIFE)
PASTA SAUCE
SPONGE PUDDING (TINNED)
TINNED VEGETABLES
RICE PUDDING (TINNED)
INSTANT COFFEE
HOT CHOCOLATE
INSTANT MASH POTATO
RICE (500g)
TINNED MEAT / FISH
TINNED FRUIT
JAM
BISCUITS / SNACK BARS
TOILETRIES
LOO ROLLS

THANKS!

Inspire Challenge Achieve

