



# BJS Bulletin

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## HEADLINES

Dear Parents,

Another successful round of Parent Partnership Progress meetings to round off what seems to have been a really short half term. Thanks to all those who came to help us support the children. If you didn't make it please can you make an appointment to see your child's teacher by ringing the office.

As we have been focusing on 'Generosity' this half term, I have been discussing something called '40 Acts of generosity in LENT'. If you would like to be involved, here is a link to their website: [www.40acts.org.uk](http://www.40acts.org.uk). Next half term we will be focusing on thankfulness. What are you thankful for? I am thankful that we are happy and healthy and we have an amazing group of staff, governors, parents and children. Have a good break if you are fortunate to be able to have one. :-)

**We Have Many Children  
But None to Spare  
Please Drive Carefully**

### Parking outside school

We have received more complaints this week about the unsafe drop off and collection of children directly outside our school. Inappropriate driving involving cars parking across driveways, parking on the zig-zag lines and performing 3 point turns unsafely. We do understand that this is only a small minority of cars and would like to thank all the other drivers who adhere to safely using the roads.

One local resident has expressed their concerns "The parking causes obstructions to driveway access, road crossing access and both pedestrian and driver visibility. Blocking the driveway and crossing access is inconvenient and selfish but obstructing visibility can be very dangerous to children pedestrians and other road users" and "we are finding it increasingly frustrating trying to drive on and off the property"

Please can we ask you to think about our residents and the safety of our community, including our children and parents!

### BRAND NEW PARENT PARTNERSHIP

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am very keen to recreate a 'Parent Partnership Forum' consisting of one parent representative from each class. Myself, Interim Deputy, Home School Support and SEND Leaders would meet with you on a termly basis to raise and discuss any concerns or issues, but more importantly, to assist and contribute to solutions that will take the school forward. If you feel this is something you would be interested in getting involved with, please contact me via email: [head@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:head@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk)

Please let me know the class your child belongs to, any interests you have and your timings that you would be available to meet. In the event of more than one person volunteering from any class I will write to all the parents of that class with the names for a ballot.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Mrs Norton



Have you noticed the lovely flowers as you walk up the school path?...Well we must say a big thank you to Mrs. Norton's mum for them. What a lovely donation to the school.

### School—Diary Dates

**Monday 15th February—Friday 19th Feb 2016** - half term week

**Monday 21st March—Friday 1st April 2016**—Easter break

**Friday 29th April 2016**—teacher training (school closed)

**Monday 2nd May 2016**—Public holiday (school closed)

**Monday 30th May—3rd June 2016**—half term week

**Tuesday 21st June**—Sports day

**Friday 22nd July 2016**—teacher training day



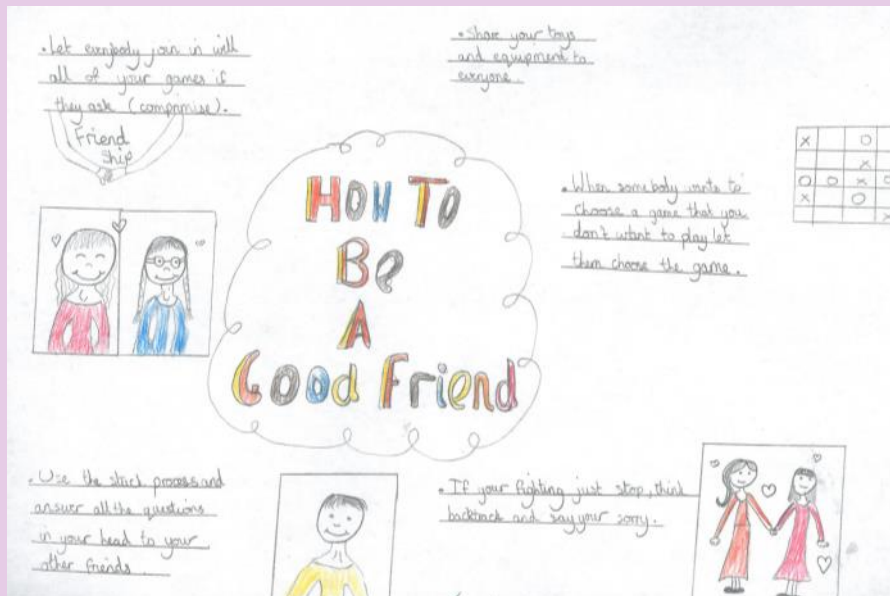
Last week Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Webb visited every class in the school as part of friendship week. They had found on reviewing the worries that were being posted in the worry box that many concerned friendship issues and so wanted to improve the children's skills in dealing with disagreements with their friends.

The children have now come up with a stepped process to support them when they are dealing with low-level disagreements

1. Calm down (walk away if needed/time out)
2. Take it in turns to talk through the problem; tell the truth – take responsibility
3. Say sorry
4. Let's forget about it
5. Play!

We now plan to display this process in school.

The children also took part in a poster competition where the challenge was to produce a guide on how to be a friend. We have seen some amazing entries but unfortunately cannot display all of them! Our house leaders have therefore chosen 2/3 posters for us to display around school to really reinforce the message about how to be a good friend!



## Punctuality

Congratulations this week to Oak House who won the Time Keepers Award with 2 late marks across the house.

We have seen a slip with punctuality this week with 10 late marks being recorded across the school. **Disappointingly 6 of those 10 late marks were from year 6 children.**

Although we are seeing great improvements with punctuality on previous years, we still need everyone to help drive the need for good time keeping forward. **A late mark equals missed learning opportunities!**

**School starts at 8.50a.m PLEASE be here on time!**



## NSPCC Keeping Children Safe online

The NSPCC have produced a document you can download which promotes ideas for supporting safer internet use, please visit their website or use the link below to access the guidance. [Share aware guide](#)

### 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**

Marcus S - 5SS, Thomas M - 5SS, Fynn W - 4FW and Matthew H - 5SS

#### **PERSEVERANCE**

Evie H - 4JE, Josh S - 4SV, Ben H - 4SV and Mia H - 4SV

#### **RESPECT**

Blessing W - 4JE, Moreblessing W - 4FW, Imogen L - 4JE and Katja S-S - 4JE

## Excellence Awards

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

3AT—Savannah W for working hard to improve her handwriting and presentation

3MB—Sophie N for consistently working hard, particularly in maths this week

3ED –Erin C for consistent hard work and enthusiastic attitude to learning

4SV—Lucy H for fantastic work in fractions

4FW—Ryan G for great work in maths and science

4JE—Ruby B for continued excellence in maths and fractions

5FM—Thomas U for a well crafted model castle with annotated labels and soldiers

5AB—Lily Sue R for trying hard to improve her maths

5SS—Thomas C for his excellent work in maths

6AL—Emma C for consistently applying herself to all learning tasks and completing them to a high quality

6BG—Jessica P for a much improved attitude to her learning

6KC—Amelia H for consistent hard work in literacy and maths

French—Priya T (3AT ) for always trying her best, helping others with their learning and being a great role model—magnifique!

**Well Done to everyone—keep up the great work!**



Have you seen this unique bobblehat? Please can we ask you to check your children's bags to ensure this hat hasn't been picked up in error. The hat was in school on Tuesday but has gone missing since Tuesday break.

## Warwickshire County Caterers

The price of a school meal for Junior School pupils will be £2.10 per day during the second half of the Spring Term.

School opens on Monday 22 February and the cost of meals is estimated as follows:-

5 day week                      £10.50

1/2 term payment (20 days) £42.00\*\*      \*\* Y6 deduct 1 day for museum trip 1/2 March \*\*

(Monday 22 February – Friday 18 March 2016 incl)

May we remind parents that **48 hours written notice** or, Friday for Monday, is required if children wish to change from school meals to sandwiches or vice versa. **You will be charged for meals booked where no written notice has been given.**







## PTA NEWS



**FAMILY BINGO Night—  
Friday 11th March 6.30  
to 8.30pm**

Come along to the family bingo night, letters have been sent home. Please help support your school by coming to this great evening of fun!

Spare copies of the letter can be obtained via the office.

**DISCO—Thank you to all the children and helpers at the school disco on Friday night. We raised an amazing £713.66**

## Football Development Service—Half Term Holiday

FDS are running a holiday club at BJS from Monday 15th Feb to Friday 19th Feb.

You must book and pay by 11am on Saturday 13th Feb.

If you need anymore information please call Ian on 07958 526393 or email [fdsoffice@btinternet.com](mailto:fdsoffice@btinternet.com)

There has been a case of head lice reported in year 3, please check your child's hair and treat with a generous amount of conditioner, comb the hair with the conditioner in, then rinse.

## FASHION FAN CLUB FUN SKETCHING HALF TERM WORKSHOP 6-15 YEAR OLDS

Inspired by this season's geometric trend create wonderful Chinese Tangram designs; cutting and sticking fabrics and paper inspired by Henri Matisse together with sketching inspired by Kandinsky.

The one day workshop from 10.00am to 3.00pm at Chase Meadow Community Centre in Warwick on Thursday 18th Feb. Price £22.Booking essential.

Limited availability.

Contact Sharon at [fashionfanclubuk@gmail.com](mailto:fashionfanclubuk@gmail.com)



## Funstar StreetDance

Funstar StreetDance will take place every Friday 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Starting Friday 4th March to Friday 27th May 2016 (no class 29th April)

Letters have been sent home, spare copies can be obtained from the school office.

**change makers**  
Family Lifestyle Programme

Are you the parent or guardian of a 4-12 year old living in Warwickshire?  
Would you and your family like to learn more about healthy eating and active games?

A free nine week programme

- Tips and tricks on healthy lifestyle choices
- Fun active games
- Rewards, healthy snacks and new friends

**Bilton Junior School**  
starts Wednesday 13 April  
3.45-5.15pm

FREE! for families

FREE healthy snacks

To register your interest, please email [fitterfutures@rugby.gov.uk](mailto:fitterfutures@rugby.gov.uk) or phone 01788 533721



# Wildlife Week



Brilliant kids' events every day this half term.

All events must be pre-booked online, book now to avoid disappointment at [wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events](http://wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events)

### Mon 15th Feb

#### Pine Cone Feeders

Create your own pine cone feeder to help feed our hungry feathered friends. Includes an activity sheet.  
£2.50 | 11.00 - 13.00

### Tues 16th Feb

#### Pollination Station

Cultivate your own bug friendly plant to attract an array of garden guests, and also make an insect cut-out for decoration. Includes an activity sheet.  
£2.50 | 11.00 - 13.00

### Weds 17th - Thurs 18th Feb

#### Little Bug Bakery

Create creepy crawly cupcakes and squashed fly biscuits. Also includes unlimited squash and an activity sheet.  
£5.00 | Session times vary by centre (check online for availability).

### Fri 19th Feb

#### Decorate Your Own Bird Box

Join us to decorate a mini house for our flappy friends. Creating the perfect nest in time for spring. Includes an activity sheet.  
£2.50 | 11.00 - 13.00



**Lunch for less**  
Upgrade your event ticket to receive 20% off kid's My Picnic packed lunches.  
Visit our website for more details!

#Wildthing for the chance to WIN a £50 toy hamper\*

1 Take a picture of your little one at Wildlife Week.

2 Upload your picture using #Wildthing to our Facebook page.

3 Share your pictures with friends & family.

We will randomly select 20 entries for our gallery and the photo with the most 'Likes' will win this great prize!  
Upload entries to [Facebook.com/LittleDiggers.WyevaleGC](https://www.facebook.com/LittleDiggers.WyevaleGC)

Find out more online at [wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events](http://wyevalegardencentres.co.uk/events)

\*Terms and conditions apply, see our Facebook page for details. | Activities suitable for kids aged 3-8 years.