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Bilton Community Federation

Empathy and social skills are social intelligence, the interpersonal part of emotional intelligence. That's why they look alike.

~ Daniel Goleman



3rd May 2024

BULLETIN

The weekly newsletter to keep you updated with the highlights of the school week

Headlines

Points of Interest

Year 6 Post SATS Celebration
Friday 17th May

Year 3
Joining us in 2024

Open morning on Monday 3rd June
More details to follow in the welcome packs.

Dear Parents/Carers,

I have asked Mrs Ross if I can write to you in the newsletter this week as I am very keen to let you know all about me.

Allow me to introduce myself - my name is Pickle, and I'm excited to soon become a part of the BJS community. My mum is the Home School Support Worker. She has spoken highly of this wonderful school, and I can't wait to join.



You might have heard about Rosie, the reading dog who comes into school. Well, I aim to follow in her paw prints and make a positive impact on school life for the children too. As a cute (or so I'm told) Dachshund puppy, I'll undergo training later this month to become a school dog mentor. I believe I can contribute significantly to BJS by encouraging children to fully engage in school life and helping to promote and support wellbeing for all.

In addition to encouraging and supporting the development of social skills, I am also hoping to bring a sense of responsibility to the school environment. I have a special ability that will provide children with a unique experience where they can learn empathy, sharing, and consideration for others' needs. Through our friendship, I will aim to build trust with the children, helping them develop skills for building better relationships with their peers and also in the future.

I understand that some of you may have concerns about having a dog in the school setting. Rest assured, Mrs. Ross has diligently addressed all of Health and Safety aspects for both the school community and myself. There will be a clear plan outlining my role, and since I'm still quite young, I'll only be a part-time member of the team. If you have any concerns or questions about my presence at school, please don't hesitate to contact the school office and they will forward any concerns.

I'm eagerly looking forward to meeting all of you and becoming a proud member of the BJS family.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend,

Pickle



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Celebrations

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

Learner of the week

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3HN Jarvis For your hard work in PE and your perseverance in Futsal

3AL Maisie L For trying harder to concentrate in lessons

3ED Valerija For hard work in maths this week

4EL Evie-mai For her hard work and effort in all subjects

4SM Charlotte For working hard on editing and improving her Iron Man narrative

4SS Isla For her super Iron Man story

5LM Whole class For great teamwork and communicating with each other during our art projects.

5JB Francesca For writing an excellent playscript

5MB James F For good work on his playscript

6LC George For making great edits within his Alma story

6KC Noah Greatly improved handwriting

6NV Daniel For working really hard on his Alma story

Mme Jago Robert 4SM For spotting the change in date

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

Thank you from all @ BJS



3HN Millie For perseverance in her reading
3AL Charlie For helping his peers with their maths
3ED Isaiah For always showing kindness to others

4EL Jai For always showing kindness and respect to others

4SM Alec For perseverance with learning his times tables

4SS Florence For always modelling our school values and being a wonderful member of the class

5LM Sophia C For always being ready to learn and working with your learning partner to produce great work

5JB Noah P-L For persevering and being resilient

5MB Amrut For kindness and responsibility helping out with the Chromebooks

6LC Lauren For always being kind and respectful to others

6KC Nicky Massive improvement in her attitude to her work

6NV Albie For his kindness and support to others

Mme Jago Loxley 3HN For kindness - offering assistance in a calm and respectful way



In school activities

Wonderful afterschool clubs



Notices

Attendance Year Group League Table

Our overall attendance target is 96%
We are currently only achieving 95.64%

96.17% Year 3

95.67% Year 4

95.44% Year 5

95.31% Year 6

There have been several parents making contact this week as they have not been sure whether to send their child to school. It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell. Please remember to check the NHS guidance - <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> or call us if you are unsure

Open Talks for Year 5



Saturday 13th July 2024



You are invited to come and see all that Rugby Free Secondary School has to offer and listen to a talk from our Headteacher, Mr Green.

Doors Open: 9:45am
Talk 1: 10:00am
Talk 2: 10:45am
Doors Close: 11:30am



Book Today!



At the National College, our independent secondary guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, social media and digital citizenship. Approved by National College Editors, these guides have content under regular updates.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SHOPPING PLATFORMS

For people looking to make purchases on their phones, several shopping apps – such as Temu, Shein and Pinduoduo – have gained popularity. While Temu and Shein let you see items you no longer want. As internet shopping continues to grow, however, so does the risk of scammers, hackers and breaches of privacy.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- MISSING ITEMS:** Items of value, cheap and fast have reported not receiving their products despite payment being made. Some have reported being asked to open a missing item, and may have been asked to provide more information to the app to help resolve the issue. Some have reported that the app may have been used to access their phone's contacts, which may have resulted in the app being able to contact you for other reasons.
- SCAMMERS AND PHISHING:** Scammers are always on the lookout for unsuspecting buyers or sellers. Common tactics include phishing for personal information, such as payment details, or using social media to impersonate a seller or buyer. Check for spelling errors in the app, where the scam is no longer protected by the local government. This tactic is usually used as a red flag.
- DATA MISUSE:** Apps of all kinds frequently collect and store personal information, such as location, contact details, and payment information. This data is often used for marketing purposes, but may also be used for other purposes, such as selling to third parties. Check the app's privacy policy to see what data is collected and how it is used.
- FAKES OR REPLICAS:** It's important to check the quality of your purchases to be happy with them. Some items may be fakes or replicas, which can be a disappointment. Check the seller's reviews and ratings to see if other buyers have reported similar issues. There is a risk that the products you buy may not be what you expect, and you may not be able to return them.
- SLOW REFUNDS:** Some apps offer a refund if the product is damaged or doesn't match the description, but it can take a long time to receive the refund. Check the app's refund policy to see how long it takes to receive a refund.
- MISLEADING DESCRIPTION:** Some products will have a description that seems to match, but a closer look at the product or an unhelpful 'customer service' response may reveal that the product is not what you expected. Check the product's description and reviews to see if other buyers have reported similar issues.

Advice for Parents & Educators

- ALWAYS STAY ON THE APP:** It's vital that users stay on the app when they buy goods through the same app on which they bought them. To ensure they are covered by buyer protection, this means users can access support if they have any problems. For the best chance of getting a refund, users should stay on the app, however, if you don't do this, the app may not be able to help you.
- CHECK REVIEWS:** Make sure to read the reviews and comments left by other users – not just of products, but of sellers and buyers, to ensure they're legitimate and secure. Before buying an item, check the reviews for comments about the product's quality. The seller's description and the item's details should be checked, as these details, such as the reviews of other buyers for real things such as frequent requests for refunds or claims of 'missing' items.
- BE WARY OF PHISHING ATTEMPTS:** Scammers frequently send messages within these apps to steal personal and financial information from users. Don't respond to these messages – they're often just trying to get your attention. If you do respond, make sure you're not giving away any personal information. If you do respond, make sure you're not giving away any personal information. If you do respond, make sure you're not giving away any personal information.
- KEEP SAFE AS A SELLER:** Sellers can be exploited just as much as buyers. Some users may purchase on Temu, for example, then proceed to open a dispute to return a product, claiming that the product is not what they expected. To protect yourself, make sure you're not giving away any personal information. If you do respond, make sure you're not giving away any personal information.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Butterfield is an online safety consultant at SCYberworks, who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and resources for schools. She has written numerous government reports and carried out research for the Education Government regarding internet use and online behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

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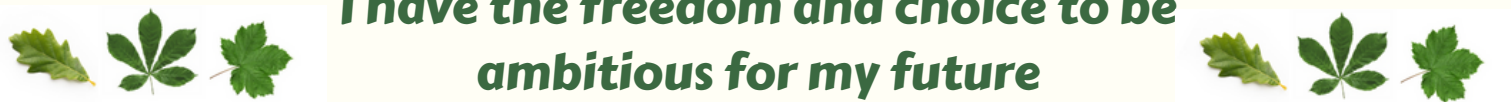
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LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION

The Supreme Court clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wight 2017). The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996. The regulations regarding Leave of Absence (The Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) Regulations 2006 as amended by Education (Pupil Regulations) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013.) advise:

Head teachers shall not grant any Leave of Absence during term time unless they consider there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, Head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. When making an application for Leave of Absence in advance parents are advised to give sufficient information and time to allow the Head teacher the opportunity to consider all the exceptional circumstances and to notify parents of their decision. It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is their responsibility to ascertain if the leave is authorised prior to the start of the leave.

The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent ie the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Where a leave of absence is requested, but additional days taken either prior to or after the request may be considered as part of the leave of absence and could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case-by-case basis and on its own merits.

Leave of Absences which are not made in advance cannot be authorised in line with legislation. This will result in the absence being recorded as 'unauthorised'. This may result in legal action against the parent, by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice. All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council.

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days). Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under s444 Education Act 1996.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

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Self-Care

Sometimes when we experience stress, worries and other mental health problems, we might stop looking after ourselves and this can make us feel worse.

Self-care is about taking time to **look after yourself**, and to make you feel grounded when life is getting too much. This involves putting yourself first, and knowing what helps you. Knowing this can have a positive impact on your mental health and wellbeing.

You might think that self-care is all about taking a bath or lighting a candle... and it might to some people, however, we need to understand that self-care looks different to everyone! What works for one individual may not work for another. It is all about how we listen to our bodies, our thoughts, our feelings and understanding what our needs are. Therefore, when you start to notice that you are feeling overwhelmed, you can do an activity that helps you to feel calmer.

Tips for self-care:

1. Create a **hope box/happy box** – a place to put your special memories in such as trinkets, photos of special days out, or gifts from family and friends. Anything that helps you in the moment for when you are stressed can go in there, e.g., stress toys!
2. Tune into your mental health - tell people what helps you; spot your early warning signs and keep a mood diary.
3. Feeling **connected with others** can increase your confidence and can give you a different perspective on things.
4. **Peer support** - speaking with those who have had similar experiences, can help you feel accepted and challenge stigma.
5. **Therapeutic activities** such as relaxation, mindfulness, and nature-based activities. Scan the QR code below for some mindfulness videos!
6. Looking after your **physical health** by getting enough sleep, keeping active and eating healthily.
7. Ask a trusted adult to help you look into **specialist support** if you need it.



#ThanksKids recognises the efforts and kindness of children and young people, and thanks them with personalised #NHSStars certificates. If you know a child or young person that deserves recognition for **going above and beyond, don't wait, nominate!** thankskids@covwarkpt.nhs.uk.

MHST are available to support you and your school throughout the school year including term time and school holidays.

Please contact your school's Mental Health Lead for information and advice.



Separating better: digital support for separating parents

Are you a parent going through separation? Separating better is a brand-new mobile app, which can help guide you through the separation process, find effective ways of co-parenting, and sort out disagreements, all with the wellbeing of your child in mind.

<https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-better>



Warwickshire Educational Psychology Service presents webinar series supporting school transitions

Warwickshire Educational Psychology Service (EPS) has created a series of webinars to help parents and carers guide their children through important school changes. The series of short videos are designed to offer valuable guidance and support during key phases such as Nursery to Reception, Year 6 to Year 7, and Year 11 to Post 16 options.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/news/article/5178/warwickshire-educational-psychology-service-presents-webinar-series-supporting-school-transitions>

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Family Fun Day!
Sunday 2nd June 12pm
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Help Newbold RFC celebrate 130 years of rugby in the community

FREE ENTRY!

TOMBOLA INSTANT WINNERS!

NEW TARGET RUGBY!

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Dates and Contact Details

School Diary Dates 2023/24

Summer Term

School Opens Monday 8 April
May Bank Holiday Monday 6 May – school closed
Half Term Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May
Teacher Training Day Monday 3 June
School Closes at 3.30 Friday 19 July

Autumn Term

Teacher Training Day Monday 2 September
School Opens Tuesday 3 September
Half Term Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November
School Opens Monday 4 November
School Closes at 3.30 Friday 20 December

Key Information

School times
School gates open at 8.30am
Doors open at 8.40am
School starts at 8.50am
School closes at 3.30pm

Any child arriving after this time is late and will be marked as such.

If your child is ill or going to be absent please email absent@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk with your Child's NAME AND CLASS with the reason for their absence

School contact details

Office hours are 8.30 - 4.30 each day by phone or email

If you feel you need to meet with a teacher face to face please email the school office office@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk

If you need to talk with a teacher over the phone or have a general enquiry for them please email office@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk.
Our teachers are busy with your children in the classrooms all day, however, they will get back to you as soon as possible

If you would like to share concerns or contact Mrs Smith our Home/School Support worker, please call the office, pop into school or email her directly on homeschoolsupport@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk

If you have specific feedback you would like to give us please email us on feedback@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk

School policy information can be found here: <http://www.biltonjuniorschool.co.uk/policies>

How can you help your PTA?

WHEN BUYING GIFTS AND MORE



Just visit your favourite retailers through the easyfundraising website and the shop as normal.

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