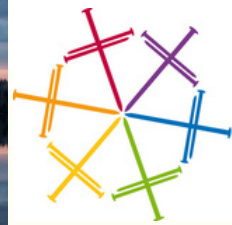




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Bilton Community Federation



23rd February 2024

BULLETIN

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

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27th Feb

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had a lovely half term break. Children have settled well into the new half term and I have been impressed with their focus and eagerness to share their learning.

Thank you to year 6LC who presented a great assembly earlier in the week. This was based around one of our core Christian values which is forgiveness. The class shared the importance of forgiving ourselves as well as forgiving others. The children from across the school shared their own thoughts on this and expressed how forgiving ourselves helped us to move on by not letting the upset grow and that by forgiving yourself it helped to forgive others. They presented a great story about the importance of being kind to ourselves.

To support children with reflecting on our core values we have also focused this week on our school aim: through all we do is to be 'lights to the world' Matthew 5:14. A new prayer area has been set up in school for children to add their thoughts and reflections and to add a prayer if they would like to. This is an area that will be further developed by our wonderful worship leads.



We have also had a visit from Ruth Henderson (Rugby Methodist Church). Ruth kindly delivered a wonderful assembly linked to our values and shared some really interesting stories which we could all reflect upon.

You may have seen on the Facebook page some pictures of all the clubs that have been in action already this half term. It was a pleasure to be out in the garden area with the allotment club where they were busy planting sweet peas and preparing potatoes for planting. In science club children were using digital microscopes to look at fingerprints and were clearly engaged with exploring forensic science. Also our recorder club members have been busy learning about musical notation and are sounding fantastic. Thank you to all the staff and volunteers that run these great enrichment opportunities.



Have a wonderful weekend.

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Celebrations

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

Learner of the week

3HN Arjun For working hard across all his learning

3AL Isobelle For working really well on her multiplication and division

3ED Maisie For always doing her very best in all her work and for always being willing to share her ideas

4EL Evelyn For always trying her best and working hard

4SM Poppy For always working hard in all subjects

4SS Eddie For super answers in maths

5LM Charlie For working incredibly hard across lessons on the first week back

5JB Miya For being really engaged with maths learning ('light bulb' moments!)

5MB Sophie B For always giving 100%

6LC Mihika For great work on her arithmetic in Maths

6KC Ava Great work in her maths

6NV Evan L For great explanations in Maths

Mme Jago Lincoln 6LC For always having a fantastically positive attitude to learning.

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

Thank you from all @ BJS

YOU are the
LIGHT
of the WORLD!

3HN Zeke For showing friendship to others
3AL Eloise For being a very supportive friend
3ED Lillian For always being kind and respectful

4EL Daniel C For showing kindness and friendship to all members of the class.

4SM Arthur For his kindness and friendship - supporting his talk partner really well.

4SS Jude T For his enthusiasm and determination in maths

5LM Lana For being respectful and showing kindness to others

5JB Freddie For being a kind and respectful member of the class

5MB Isabelle For being a kind, respectful and supportive class member

6LC Madi For showing great perseverance in Maths

6KC Ben C Rhys A 6NV Ellie P 6KC Always being polite, respectful and helpful

6NV Honeybell For her kindness to others

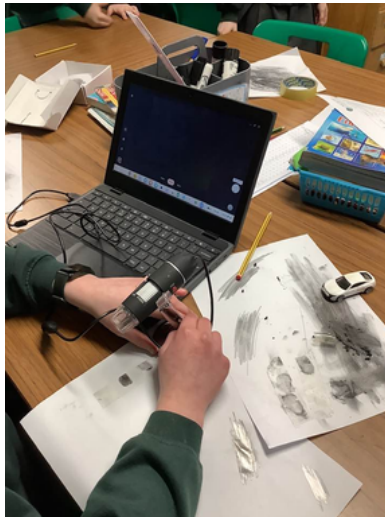
Mme Jago 6NV For respect, kindness, resilience and maturity.



In school activities

Afterschool Fun

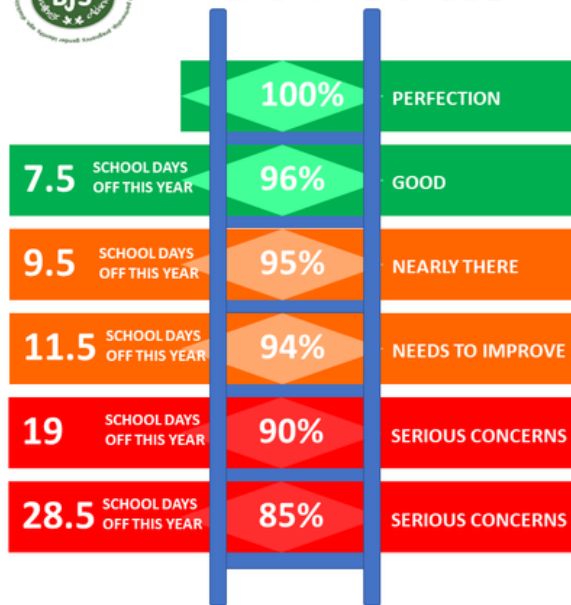
After school fun! Allotment club have been busy preparing potatoes and planting sweet peas. In science club children have been forensic scientists observing fingerprints under the microscopes.



Notices



ATTENDANCE LADDER



Are you getting to school on time?
Did you know?



5 minutes late every day = 15 hours a year = 3 days of learning
10 minutes late every day = 30 hours a year = 6 days of learning
15 minutes late every day = 45 hours a year = 9 days of learning
20 minutes late every day = 60 hours a year = 12 days of learning
25 minutes late every day = 75 hours a year = 15 days of learning



Are you at school enough days?
Did you know over 13 years:



1 day every 2 weeks = 20 days = 4 weeks a year = nearly 1.5 years
1 day a week = 40 days = 8 weeks a year = over 2.5 years
2 days a week = 80 days = 16 weeks a year
3 days a week = 120 days = 24 weeks a year

JOIN OUR TEAM

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES

Senior Caretaker

Responsible for maintenance around school and management of our cleaning team.

Band E, scp 5-6 Salary £16,035.47

27.5 hours a week
Hours: 6.30am to 8:15am
and 2:30pm till 6:15pm Monday to Friday

To find out more email: office@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION

The Supreme Court clarified has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Isle of Wright 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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Attendance Year Group League Table

Our overall attendance target is 96%
We are currently only achieving 95.7%

96.39% Year 3

95.63% Year 4

95.5% Year 5

95.33% Year 6

Well done to everyone especially Year 3 who have leapt to top of the league table and are above our school target of 96%.

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Notices

An invitation to our Separation and Divorce Support Workshop



The group offers a relaxed, confidential space to discuss any worries or concerns parents might have about their child's/children's responses to living in a separated family. It doesn't matter what stage of the separation they are at, it might be a recent split or it might have happened some time ago. Some parents might want to think about how they communicate with their children post parting from their partner or how they manage single parenting. Experiences can be shared, and advice and expertise from any member of the group is always appreciated.

Separation and Divorce Through The Eyes Of A Child.
Tuesday 27th February 2-3.30pm.

ALL welcome - this is open to all our BJS families.
To book a space please contact Mrs Smith via email on homeschoolsupport@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk



SCHOOL DISCO

Thursday 21st March

YEAR 3 & 4
3.30PM - 4.30 PM

YEAR 5 & 6
4.40PM - 5.40 PM



allsorts

magazine for parents and children

Here is the link to the Nov/Jan digital version of Allsorts magazine
https://bit.ly/ALLSORTS_JANMAR24

- you can tap straight to advertisers' websites too when viewing the mag on your phone (please mention allsorts). There are lots of attraction to visit and services to help your family plus you could win a voucher to spend at Hunt's Books. You can view this issue at www.allsortsmag.com too or on the allsorts Facebook page soon



Parenting Together (Rugby)

This is an introductory workshop following our stepped approach to supporting families in Warwickshire.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parenting-together-rugby-tickets-825408257317>

10 Top Tips on Supporting Children with SELF-REGULATION

Children need to learn to understand and recognise their emotions, while finding healthy ways to process them. Emotional self-regulation, however, develops heavily on age and development. While very young ones or children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) may find it particularly challenging to self-regulate, nurturing these foundational skills can be hugely beneficial. Here are ten top tips for supporting children with their self-regulation.

- 1. DESIGNATE A TRUSTED ADULT**
It's vital that children feel safe and secure. They need a trusted adult who can offer support and reassurance. This should be someone who is not involved in any conflict or disagreement. This person should be someone who is not involved in any conflict or disagreement.
- 2. MEET CHILDREN HALFWAY**
When you know where a child is coming from, you can meet them halfway. This means understanding their perspective and trying to see things from their point of view.
- 3. FOCUS ON THEIR BASIC NEEDS**
Remember that for a child to develop emotional regulation skills, their basic needs must be met first. Children who are hungry, tired, or uncomfortable will find it difficult to regulate their emotions.
- 4. REMAIN PATIENT**
If a child is struggling with their emotions, it can often be because they are not used to expressing their feelings. It's important to remain patient and to give them time to work through their feelings.
- 5. BE A DYSREGULATION DETECTIVE**
When a child is struggling with their emotions, it's important to be a detective. This means looking for signs of dysregulation and trying to understand what is causing it.
- 6. USE SUITABLE LITERATURE**
There are some wonderful books that can help children understand and regulate their emotions. These books can be used to help children understand and regulate their emotions.
- 7. TRY SENSORY RESOURCES**
An analogy between sensory needs and emotional regulation is provided. Children may struggle to self-regulate if they are not getting enough sensory input. This can be helped by using sensory resources.
- 8. NURTURE INDEPENDENCE**
If you have a supportive relationship with your child, you can help them to develop their own emotional regulation skills. This can be done by encouraging them to express their feelings and to find their own ways to regulate their emotions.
- 9. MODEL GENUINE FEELINGS**
As much as we try to prevent children from experiencing negative emotions, it's always best to model genuine feelings. Children who see their parents or other trusted adults expressing their feelings are more likely to be able to do the same.
- 10. FORMULATE A PLAN**
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Meet Our Expert
<https://www.facebook.com/NationalOnlineSafety/>

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Streamlined school admissions process introduced for Warwickshire families

Warwickshire parents and carers with children starting or moving school in September 2024 will benefit from a change in how school offers are accepted.

For both the Secondary National Offer Day (1 March) and Primary National Offer Day (16 April), the Council will automatically accept school place offers on behalf of each family. This means that parents and carers don't need to take any additional action beyond contacting the new school to confirm transition arrangements.

The school admissions team is also inviting parents and carers to join them at a webinar on Wednesday 28 February at 7pm to find out more about their offer and what happens next.

Places are limited and can be booked here.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/getting-your-secondary-school-offer-tickets-818697435067?aff=oddtcreator>

Any parent or carer not able to join us on the evening will be able to watch a recording shortly after, when it will be shared on the Warwickshire County Council school YouTube channel:
<http://bit.ly/3H13ddk>



Your school nursing service

Connect for Health's February health and well-being update

<http://tinyurl.com/2wx95m77>



February SEND newsletter

This month's SEND newsletter includes:

- Trial of new pathway to improve outcomes for children and young people affected by Emotionally Based School Avoidance
- Enhanced service for children and young people with Multi-Sensory Impairment
- DfE officials praise progress to improve SEND services in Warwickshire
 - Warwickshire Youth Council Elections 2024
- Frosty fun in February half-term at Warwickshire's Country Parks!

<http://tinyurl.com/48u7wej>



NEW 2-hour The Parenting Together workshop

This recognises that parenting can be a hard role, especially in today's challenging world of a cost-of-living crisis, post pandemic with ever increasing stressors. Arguments and disagreements in parenting relationships are normal, however if it is frequent, intense, and poorly resolved it may impact on the outcomes of children.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/warwickshire-family-and-relationship-support-71623337213>

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Activities

RUGBY MUSIC CENTRE

Tuesdays
Electric Guitar Orchestra
 Age 11-18
 Create and perform awesome contemporary medleys as part of a huge band. Experience the excitement of live public gigs.

Wednesdays
Classical Guitar Ensembles
 Juniors grade 0-3, seniors grade 3+
 Enjoy the beauty of lots of guitars playing together. Experience ensemble music ranging from the last 300 years!

Choirs
 Juniors age 4-10, seniors age 11-18
 Sing your heart out in glorious harmony, from simple rounds right through to epic pop classics.

Saturdays

Music Theory
 Age 10-18
 Achieve your ABRSM Grade 5 Theory with specialist teaching, without working through a boring book.

Folk Band
 Age 7-18
 Show off your flying fingers with jigs, reels and more! Perform gigs in all kinds of interesting venues, including pubs and outdoors.

Junior Strings
 Violinists and cellists grade 0-2
 Perfect your string playing skills and learn to perform in a group, preparing you for our big orchestra.

Orchestra
 Orchestral players grade 3+
 Experience the joy of making music in a large ensemble. Perform all the greatest musical styles, from classical favourites to Disney.

Membership available from just £50 per term.

Drop us an email now to arrange a free trial with one of our amazing ensembles.

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 www.rugbymusiccentre.co.uk
 Lawrence Sheriff School, CV21 3AG

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 Education Through Performing Arts

Easter holiday camp

“Wizard of Oz”

Age 5 - 11
 8:45am - 3:30pm
 2nd April - 5th April 2024

£25 per day

HAF
 Free holiday activity and food places

Dunchurch Baptist Church
 Coventry Road, Rugby CV22 6RF

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www.funstareducation.co.uk

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Play through performing arts

- Dancing, singing, acting
- Games
- Arts & crafts
- Bouncy castle
- Bubble disco
- Maypole dancing
- Fat Fluffs rabbits
- Mini performance

NORTHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Whole School Open Morning
 For girls aged 2-18

Friday 8 March, 10:30-1pm

Discover how we turn ‘Can We?’ into ‘We Can!’

northamptonhigh.co.uk | 01604 765765

Made for Girls

New Warwickshire Museum exhibition
 'Tales from the Riverbank'

The upcoming exhibition about the history of Warwickshire’s rivers, canals and waterways ‘Tales from the Riverbank’ at Market Hall Museum in Warwick opens to the public on Friday 22 March.

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Dates and Contact Details

School Diary Dates

2023/24

Spring Term

School Closes at 3.30 Friday 22 March

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?



PTA EVENT HELPERS

WhatsApp group



This group is JUST for people that can help at events. Those who join can opt out at anytime please just let the PTA team know

Scan or upload this QR code using the WhatsApp camera to join this group



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have lots of exciting things planned in the coming weeks, if you are able to help with any of the following, please let us know:

Ideas for fundraising
Support shopping
Organising raffles
Sorting tombola prizes
Helping to set up events
Support tidying up after events

Please email: pta@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk
or join our WhatsApp group

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