



Proud to be part of  
Bilton Community Federation

We wish all our parents, carers and  
children a very happy Christmas  
~ The BJS Team



22nd December 2023

# BULLETIN

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

# Headlines

Points of  
Interest

School  
Reopens

Tues 9th Jan

PTA meeting

10th Jan

7pm

Fighting Cocks  
pub

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we near the end of this autumn term, we've been immersed in the festive spirit of Christmas. Our week started with a third advent assembly where we lit the pink candle, symbolising joy. This candle, also known as the Shepherds Candle, recalls the moment when shepherds, tending their sheep, were visited by an angel. Just like many in the Bible, the shepherds were initially frightened, yet the angel brought them tidings of great joy, saying, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people."



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us at the carol concert on Tuesday. It was lovely to hear the children sing with such an energy and enthusiasm especially within the beautiful setting of St Mark's church. The recorder club members have only been playing for about six weeks, so it was a great achievement for them to perform their carols. A huge thank you to Reverend Glenn and the team at St Mark's for welcoming us and supporting the concert. The children clearly enjoyed themselves and appreciated having so many from the school community there to enjoy their efforts.



This week, the children had an enchanting live encounter with Santa during their online assembly. They had many questions about the magic of Christmas and the logistics of Santa's incredible feats on Christmas Eve.

A reminder that Monday 8th January is a teacher training day, so children do not start back until Tuesday 9th January. We look forward to seeing everyone then.

Wishing you all a lovely Christmas holiday,

Mrs Ross  
Head of School

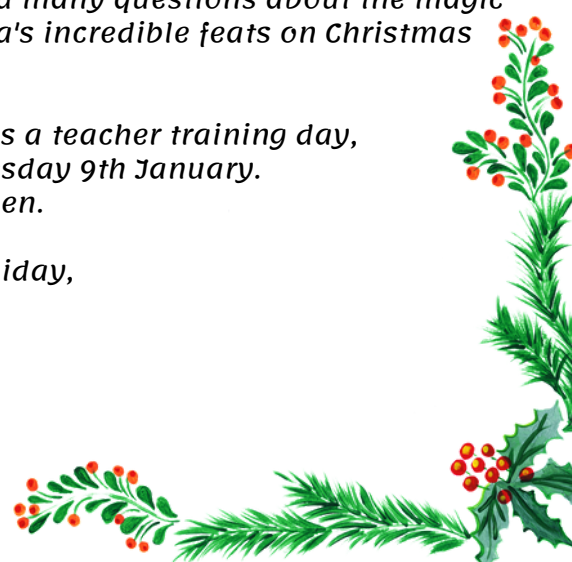
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# Celebrations

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

## Learner of the week

- 3HN Millie For working hard in her reading  
3AL Ivy For always being very conscientious about her maths learning  
3ED Primrose For excellent work in maths  
4EL Hollie For her hard work and brilliant performance at the carol service  
4SM Robyn For her excellent work in Maths fluency sessions  
4SS Whole class for demonstrating their amazing knowledge in our States of matter topic  
5LM Ava H For producing a brilliant diary entry as Scrooge  
5JB Larna For always trying her best  
5MB Leon For great work across the curriculum  
6LC Sophia For a great story on the Christmas truce  
6KC Mya Great effort in maths  
6NV Lucy B-D For a super piece of writing about the Christmas Truce  
Mme Jago Zac C 5JB For remembering that a cedilla says ssssss!

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Thank you from all @ BJS

YOU are the  
**LIGHT**  
of the WORLD.

- 3HN Srikshitha For always being kind and thinking of others  
3AL Hannah For just being the kind natured person she always is  
3ED Arthur For always being kind and helpful  
4EL Marnie For being a ray of sunshine and showing kindness to all  
4SM Violet L For being such a kind and gentle member of the class  
4SS Theo for demonstrating perseverance and for having such a wonderful sense of humour  
5LM Alanah For showing kindness and persevering with her work  
5JB Lilly For showing kindness towards others  
5MB Afonso For kindness, friendship and good humour  
6LC Elise M For always being respectful and kind to others  
6KC Ellie May Making an excellent effort to do the right thing  
6NV Daniel For his kindness and good humour in all that he does  
Mme Jago Lena 4SS For kindness, returning another child's dinner tray.



## School activities

### Our Carol service



Well done to all the children for their wonderful performance at the carol concert. A huge thank you to the super team at St Mark's Church and to all the parents for their support.



# Notices

**Top Tips for SETTING UP PARENTAL CONTROLS ON NEW DEVICES**

In children's eagerness to start enjoying new digital gadgets immediately, it can be easy to overlook setting up the types of parental controls that can help to protect their usage. If you don't sort these out from the very start, it can be more difficult to manage – technologically and psychologically – to impose such controls later. Here's our rundown of what to look for when setting up the various internet-enabled devices that might be lurking under the tree at this time of year.

**IPHONE**  
If your child's fussy enough to getting their own iPhone, you'll need to set up parental controls. You can do this through the Screen Time app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**ANDROID**  
The Android device, Google's family link app is your friend. It allows you to set up parental controls for your child's device. You can do this through the Family Link app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**PLAYSTATION**  
You can play for a PlayStation before it's even unboxed. If you do, you'll need to set up parental controls. You can do this through the Family Management app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**IPAD**  
Most parental controls are identical to those on iPhones. However, if you've got an iPad, you'll need to set up parental controls through the Screen Time app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**XBOX**  
The Xbox Family Settings app helps you manage which apps and games your child can play. You'll need to set up parental controls through the Family Management app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**NINTENDO SWITCH**  
Download the Nintendo Switch Parental Controls app on your phone, and you'll be able to set up parental controls for your child's Switch. You can do this through the Parental Controls app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**WINDOWS 11 PCS**  
On Windows 11, account management is key. Set up the device with your own account. Then go to Settings > Accounts > Family and Other users and create your child's account. If you've already done this on a previous PC, you can skip this step. Then go to Settings > Family and Other users > Family Safety. From here, you can set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**CHROMEBOOKS**  
Chromebooks' simplicity is one of their strengths. However, to set up parental controls, you need to set up the Chromebook with your own account first. Then go to Settings > Go to Settings > People & Add People > Add Family Member. From here, you can set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**MACS**  
Like iPhones, parental controls for Macs are managed via the System. From Settings > System Settings > Screen Time, you can set up parental controls. You can do this through the Family Management app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**SMART TVS**  
Smart TVs typically feature their own parental controls. These are often managed through the TV's settings menu. You can do this through the Family Management app. This app allows you to set up various controls, such as restricting app usage, limiting screen time, and blocking inappropriate content. You can also set up a passcode to prevent your child from turning off these controls.

**Meet Our Expert**  
The National Online Safety team is here to help you with any questions you have about setting up parental controls. You can contact us through our website, social media, or by phone. Visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.org](https://www.nationalonlinesafety.org) for more information.

**The National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

[www.facebook.com/nationalonlinesafety](https://www.facebook.com/nationalonlinesafety)



## Mental Health Schools Team Anxiety Workshop for parents Monday 22nd January at 4pm

More details to follow



### Scheme Title: B4429 Ashlawn Road, Rugby- Cock Robin Junction Improvements

The works are scheduled to commence on 4th January 2024 and are expected to last 23 weeks as per the contractor's initial programme.

The works will involve alterations to the existing Cock Robin roundabout including the construction of a single toucan crossing on Ashlawn Road and a dual toucan crossing on Dunchurch Road arms of the Cock Robin Roundabout. The work will also include carriageway resurfacing, footway widening and the installation of traffic signals and street lighting.

This may cause increased congestion to and from school

### Dispose of used batteries safely this Christmas

For residents who have non-rechargeable batteries (or rechargeable batteries that are no longer holding charge) to be disposed of, these should be taken to the following locations:

- Your local Household Waste Recycling Centre who all have a special section for used batteries; or
- Most large supermarkets and some large shops have special bins by the checkouts and/or entrances and exits where batteries can be disposed of safely.

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# Notices



## Christmas Fayre & Raffle

We are super excited to let you know we raised over £2000 with these two activities

Thank you so much for all of your support



Activity planning meeting

10th January 7pm

The Fighting Cox Pub

All are welcome

We look forward to seeing you there

Please email

[pta@bittonjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:pta@bittonjuniorschool.co.uk)



## Thank you

To all our lovely stallholders who came along to our Christmas Fayre

Loubie Lou's Handbags & Accessories

Jackson & Gemini Jewelry

SoBow - Hair Bows & Accessories

Maria- Decoupage Vases

Light Wire Creations

Mrs Earley - Handmade bookmarks & Wineglass charms

Unique Ornamantum

Beat the Chill

Author Devjani Bodepudi



The FIS helpline is closed on Monday 25, Tuesday 26, Wednesday 27 December and 1 January. The FIS helpline reopens as usual on Tuesday 2 January.



## Nurture programme

10 weeks

Starting Mon, 22 Jan 2024 12:30 - 14:30 GMT for 10 weeks

at Henry Hinde Junior School.

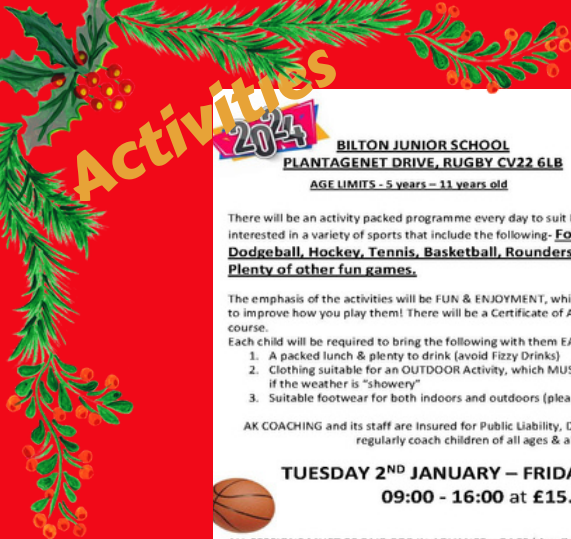
Throughout the programme we will cover many of the common parenting issues and offer advice that will help you:

- Gain confidence and develop insight by understanding why children behave as they do
- Recognising the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- Explore different positive parenting strategies to help guide behaviours
- Find different ways to develop co-operation and emotional regulation in children
- Learn the importance of looking after ourselves as parents and carers.

<https://tinyurl.com/5n7auvpf>



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# Activities

**2024**  
**BILTON JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
 PLANTAGENET DRIVE, RUGBY CV22 6LB  
 AGE LIMITS - 5 years - 11 years old

**AK COACHING**

There will be an activity packed programme every day to suit BOTH Boys & Girls of ANY ability who are interested in a variety of sports that include the following- **Football, Tag Rugby, Frisbee, Dodgeball, Hockey, Tennis, Basketball, Rounders, Cricket, Netball, Table Tennis and Plenty of other fun games.**

The emphasis of the activities will be FUN & ENJOYMENT, whilst teaching the skills of the games and how to improve how you play them! There will be a Certificate of Attendance for each child undertaking the course.

Each child will be required to bring the following with them EACH day-

1. A packed lunch & plenty to drink (avoid Fizzy Drinks)
2. Clothing suitable for an OUTDOOR Activity, which MUST include a Waterproof. We will be outdoors if the weather is "showery"
3. Suitable footwear for both indoors and outdoors (please pack 2 pairs of footwear)

AK COACHING and its staff are Insured for Public Liability, DBS checked and First Aid trained - Coaches regularly coach children of all ages & abilities in local schools.

**TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY – FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**  
**09:00 - 16:00 at £15.00 per day**

ALL SESSIONS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE – BACS (details to be forwarded via email on request) - CHEQUES should be made payable to ALAISTAIR KEAY - CASH PAYMENTS please send EXACT money as we do not have facility to give change.

THERE WILL BE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR A MAXIMUM OF 45 CHILDREN. PLACES WILL BE ALLOCATED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

ALL SESSIONS BOOKED MUST BE PAID FOR EVEN IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT ATTEND. THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS WHEN A CHILD HAS BEEN ILL AND A COPY OF A DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE IS PROVIDED TO AK COACHING. CREDITS ARE AT MANAGEMENT DISCRETION.

PLEASE COMPLETE CLEARLY ALL AREAS ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM  
 COMPLETED FORMS CAN ALSO BE SENT VIA EMAIL ([AKCOACHING2020@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AKCOACHING2020@GMAIL.COM))

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 AK COACHING  
 Email: [AKCOACHING2020@GMAIL.COM](mailto:AKCOACHING2020@GMAIL.COM) Tel: 07725 876 612

**2024**

**onside** EAST WARWICKSHIRE  
 COACHING.CO.UK

**AGES 5-11**

**Your Christmas Childcare**

**COURSE DATES**  
**Tuesday 2nd to Friday 5th JANUARY 2024**

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**Musical Theatre - Monday**  
 8:00 am - 8:45 am

**Street Dance - Friday**  
 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

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 2ND, 3RD, 4TH, 5TH JANUARY 2024

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**ISI Inspection**  
 Excellent in every area!

Princethorpe is a bit like a melting pot. Pupils join us from far and wide and settle in really well. Our staff and pupils are fantastically kind and welcoming, and that's so important to me.

PTA Christmas Fair  
 Sunday 10 December 2023, 2.00pm to 4.30pm

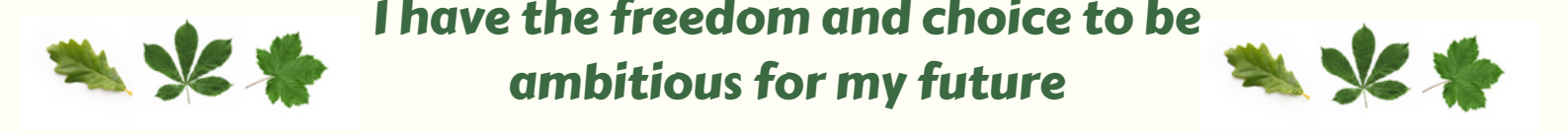
Year 5 Choral Fun Day  
 Saturday 20 January 2024, 9.00am to 4.30pm

Year 5 Tag Rugby  
 Friday 26 January 2024, 4.15pm to 6.00pm

Entrance Examinations for September 2025 admission take place on Saturday 9 November 2024.

**Princethorpe College**  
 For more information and to book call 01926 434261, visit [princethorpe.co.uk](http://princethorpe.co.uk) or scan the QR code.

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# Dates and Contact Details

## School Diary Dates 2023/24

### Autumn Term 2023

School Closes at 3.30 Friday 22 December

### Spring Term 2024

Teacher Training Day Monday 8 January 2024

School Opens Tuesday 9 January 2024

Half Term Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February

School Closes at 3.30 Friday 22 March

### Summer Term 2024

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

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:homeschoolsupport@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk)

If you have specific feedback you would like to give us please email us on [feedback@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:feedback@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk)

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

## How can you help your PTA?

### WHEN PLAYING



Rugby Lotto is an exciting weekly lottery that will raise money for BJS

Tickets for the lottery cost just £1 a week. Each ticket has a 1 in 50 chance to win a prize each week

There will be a draw every Saturday night when a six digit winning combination will be picked.

From every £1 ticket sold 60p will go to good causes in Rugby.

<https://www.rugbylotto.org/support/bilton-school-pta-rugby>



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### 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

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