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Bilton Community Federation



15th May 2026

# BULLETIN

# Headlines

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to begin by saying a huge congratulations to all of our Year 6 children for their hard work, determination and positive attitude during their SATs tests this week. It has certainly been a very busy week, but the children approached each day with resilience, maturity and confidence. We are incredibly proud of the way they conducted themselves throughout the tests and of the excellent effort they have shown over the course of the year in preparation for them.

During the week, we also received an unannounced monitoring visit from members of the Warwickshire team. They were extremely impressed with the calm atmosphere around school, the children's focus, and the strong organisation and administration of the tests. This was wonderful feedback to receive and is a real credit to both the children and the dedicated Year 6 staff team. A huge thank you and well done to everyone involved.



The children thoroughly enjoyed the special treats organised to celebrate the end of SATs week. Thank you to the PTA for arranging the ice-cream van visit – it was greatly appreciated and very well deserved! The Year 6 children were also delighted to receive their leavers' hoodies, which I know they will wear proudly during their final weeks at BJS.

I would also like to say how proud we are of the rest of the school for adapting so well to classroom changes and for supporting the Year 6 children throughout the week. It has been lovely to see such kindness and encouragement across the whole school community.

Finally, we were delighted to celebrate many wonderful achievements in this week's commendation assembly. Our children continue to impress us not only with their successes in school, but also with their sporting, musical and personal achievements outside of school. We love hearing about these accomplishments, so please continue to encourage your child to share their successes with us.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Ross  
Head of School

**World Bee Day**  
Thursday  
21<sup>st</sup> May

**Celebrating Pickle** 🐾🐾  
Friday  
22nd May  
Wear gold or orange

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Facebook: [BiltonCofEJNR/](https://www.facebook.com/BiltonCofEJNR/)

# Celebrations

Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve Inspire Challenge Achieve

## Learner of the week

- 3HN Samuella For your hard work all week  
 3LD Sophia G For her write up on her Egyptian God  
 3RY Joshua H For really trying to focus and work hard in lessons  
 3TP Whole class For your great learning in different classes this week  
 4EL Daniel For his fantastic monologue performance  
 4SR George for always giving his very best and focusing on his learning  
 4SS Nitusan for his determination to do his very best learning  
 5LM Clara For your thoughtful insights as we came to the end of Journey to Jo'burg  
 5MB Isobelle For making good contributions in lessons  
 5PA Yeisha For Excellent work in maths  
 6LB Whole Class For your amazing hard work and perseverance in SATS  
 6NV Whole class For super work in SATS

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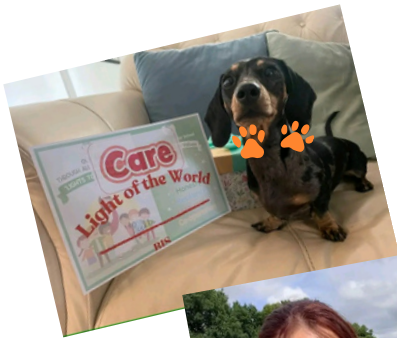
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Thank you from all @ BJS



- 3HN Aariz For being a kind and honest learning buddy this week  
 3LD Ernie for being a good friend to others  
 3RY Arief R For always being positive and honest - so enthusiastic about learning too!  
 3TP Frankie For a positive attitude and always being full of energy, bringing her own special spark to the classroom  
 4EL Evie B For being an honest and kind friend  
 4SR Oscar M For being honest and positive  
 4SS Emmett For being determined to ensure he understands absolutely everything and being honest when he doesn't  
 5LM Ella For being a kind and honest friend  
 5MB Amelia For being a great role model  
 5PA Sriha For her enthusiasm, attitude and honesty  
 6LB Deacon For always approaching learning with honesty, curiosity, and enthusiasm  
 6NV Maks For always being honest and sincere

## Celebrating Pickle Our gold medal winner



# Notices

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority.

The Supreme Court has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time (Platt v Hale 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 law states a leave of absence may only be granted by a school if an application is made in advance and if it considers there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

Schools must judge each application individually considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind each request.

A leave of absence is granted entirely at the school's discretion. Generally, a need or desire for a holiday or other absence for the purpose of leisure and recreation would not constitute an exceptional circumstance.

Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school.

When making an application for Leave of Absence 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. The school may also request further information on the application and supporting documentation where appropriate.

It is advised that if the resident parent has not received notification or a response regarding the leave of absence application, it is the parents' 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 in the parent with whom the child normally resides.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child is expected 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. 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.

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'. All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Warwickshire Attendance Service, part of Warwickshire County Council. Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices and in the first instance, as an alternative to prosecution proceedings.

The law relating to Penalty Notices changed with effect from 19 August 2024. Therefore, Penalty Notices issued for Leave of Absence taken from September 2024 will be issued in accordance with the updated legislation.

• 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 - 4 in total).

o First Leave of Absence offence: The Penalty Notice amount of £160 to be paid within 28 days, this is reduced to £80 each child if paid within 21 days.

o Second Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): The amount of £160 paid within 28 days. No reduced amount.

• Payment plans will not be offered and/or payments received outside of the 28 day period will not be accepted. Where a penalty notice expires unpaid the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider criminal prosecution.

• Third Leave of Absence offence within a 3 year period (from the date of issue of the first penalty notice): A penalty notice will not be issued and the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal prosecution proceedings under s444 of Education Act 1996.



THE LUCA  
FOUNDATION

### Helping Schools Support Children Through Grief

The Luca Foundation delivers grief training in schools to help teachers support children through loss, whether that is the death of a loved one or pet, the loss of health, or other life changes. The training gives staff the tools and confidence to talk about grief in an open and compassionate way, helping children feel understood and less alone.

Alongside the training, schools and families can also access a range of wellbeing gifts and the book 'Endless Love Finding Your New Normal', available at [www.endlessloveshop.co.uk](http://www.endlessloveshop.co.uk).

To learn more about the charity and its work, please visit [www.thelucafoundation.org.uk](http://www.thelucafoundation.org.uk).

**PICKLE!**

We are incredibly proud to share that Pickle has achieved the Gold Dog Mentor Award in recognition of her significant impact at BJS over the last two years!

This is a very special milestone for Pickle, and on Friday 22nd May we will be celebrating not only this amazing achievement, but also the fact that it is exactly two years since she completed her training and officially became part of our school community. To help us celebrate, we are inviting everyone in our school community to wear a gold or orange accessory – the colours of the Dog Mentor programme – to recognise and honour this wonderful achievement.

Thank you, Pickle, for all the joy, comfort and support you bring to

**World Bee Day**  
Thursday 21st May 2026

"When we protect the bees, we protect our future."

(h)'Beehive' Meatball & Cheese Pasta (G,D) with Crusty Bread  
or  
(v)(h) Vegetable Quesadilla with Honey & Yoghurt Dip and Potato Wedges (G,D,SB)

Served with Broccoli 'Pollinator Power Trees' or Vegetable Sticks with a 'Bee' Dip

(v)(h) Honey Crispy Bar (G)  
or  
(v) Vanilla Bee-nilla Ice Cream (D)

Allergens:  
H-Homemade  
G-Gluten  
D-Dairy  
SB-Soya  
SU-Sulphites  
E-Egg  
V-Vegetarian

educaterers  
Allergen Free alternatives are also available

**10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators CREATING FAMILY RULES FOR USING DEVICES**

- 1. WORK TOGETHER**  
Collaborating with children when setting rules... helps them understand the reasons behind the rules and increases their willingness to follow them.
- 2. AGREE TIME LIMITS AND SUITABLE TIMES**  
Establishing clear boundaries for when devices can be used... helps children develop healthy habits and reduces screen time during important activities.
- 3. ENCOURAGE HONESTY**  
Parents should encourage their children to be honest about their device usage... this helps build trust and allows for more effective rule enforcement.
- 4. CHARGING AND OVERNIGHT STORAGE**  
Establishing a charging station... ensures devices are charged safely and are not used during sleep.
- 5. REVIEW RULES REGULARLY**  
As technology evolves, so do the challenges it presents... reviewing rules regularly ensures they remain relevant and effective.
- 6. PROTECT PERSONAL INFO**  
Teaching children about online privacy... helps them understand the importance of protecting their personal information.
- 7. BE RESPECTFUL**  
Encouraging children to be respectful... helps them understand the impact of their online actions on others.
- 8. "NO TECH" ZONES**  
Designating certain areas of the home as tech-free... helps create a balanced environment where technology is not always present.
- 9. AGREE ON CONSEQUENCES**  
Establishing clear consequences for rule-breaking... helps children understand the importance of following the rules.
- 10. KNOW ALL PASSWORDS**  
Parents should know their children's passwords... this helps ensure their safety and allows for monitoring of online activity.

Meet Our Expert  
Wake Up Wednesday  
The National College

<https://www.facebook.com/www.thenationalcollege>

**YEAR 6 SECONDARY READY**

Learn With Tutor Julie

Group tuition building confidence to prepare for Year 7 in 2026

**WEDNESDAYS 6.30-7.30pm**

WHY LEARN WITH TUTOR JULIE?

- Highly experienced and expert qualified teacher with enhanced DBS
- Convenient location in Hillmorton, Rugby with parking
- Complimentary online subscriptions to support learning

BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE NOW

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# Notices

## We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 Children

SATS don't measure sports,  
SATS don't measure art,  
SATS don't measure music  
Or the kindness in your heart.

SATS don't see your beauty,  
SATS don't know your worth,  
SATS don't know the reason  
You were put upon this Earth.

SATS don't see your magic,  
How you make others smile,  
SATS don't time how quickly  
You can run a mile.

SATS don't hear your laughter,  
Or see you've come this far,  
SATS are just a tiny glimpse  
Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table  
With your pencil and your test,  
Remember SATS aren't who you are,  
Remember you're the best!



### ATTENDANCE LADDER



Are you getting to school on time?

Did you know?

5 minutes late every day = 55 hours a year = 3 days of learning  
10 minutes late every day = 22 hours a year = 8 days of learning  
15 minutes late every day = 16 hours a year = 6 days of learning  
20 minutes late every day = 10 hours a year = 4 days of learning  
25 minutes late every day = 7 hours a year = 3 days of learning



Are you at school enough days?

Did you know over 13 years:

1 day every 7 weeks = 20 days = 6 weeks a year = nearly 3.5 years  
2 days every 7 weeks = 40 days = 12 weeks a year = over 2.5 years  
3 days every 7 weeks = 60 days = 18 weeks a year = over 2 years



Registration for the 11+ test is now open

If you would like your child to be considered for a Year 7 place at a Warwickshire grammar school in September 2027, then please register your child for the 11+ test by the deadline of 4pm on Monday 30 June.



For family or friends who step up to raise a child.

## Rugby Kinship Carers



Fourth Tuesday of the month

10:30am to 12:00pm Term time only

Rugby Library and Information Centre, Little Elborow Street, Rugby, CV21 3BZ

A peer support group for all kinship carers:

- our peer support group offers kinship carers the opportunity to meet, listen, share and support others facing similar challenges
- we always welcome new members - a group for adults only. Free to join
- if you have any questions or would like to join the group please contact Lisa

email: [lisa.webley@kinship.org.uk](mailto:lisa.webley@kinship.org.uk)  
telephone: 07355 035996

We'd love to see you there!

Visit [kinship.org.uk](http://kinship.org.uk) to learn more about the free advice, support and training on offer



Charity Registration: 1093975

RUGBY & SURROUNDING VILLAGES

# allsorts

May/July 26

for parents and children 0-12

## IN THIS ISSUE

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- PLUS School Notice Board



click on [www.allsortsmag.com](http://www.allsortsmag.com)

## RUGBY GYMNASTICS CLUB UNDER 5'S PROGRAMME

Preschool Classes

Playgym

Under 5's Drop In

For more information on any of these sessions, please contact us via [general@rugbygymnasticsclub.co.uk](mailto:general@rugbygymnasticsclub.co.uk) or call us on 01788 542617



# Activities

If you are looking to advertise a local afterschool or holiday club in our bulletin, please email the details to : [marketing@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:marketing@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk)

## HARRIS C of E ACADEMY SSP Presents: Bikeability – May 2026 Half Term Course

### LEVEL 1 TRAINING FOR PUPILS IN SCHOOL YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6:

This training teaches basic cycle control skills in a safe environment away from traffic and will be run at Harris C of E Academy's Sport Centre in Rugby. Children must be able to cycle independently (no stabilisers) before coming on the course. Training takes place outside and children should be dressed appropriately in weather proof clothing with gloves recommended if it is cold, and sun protection as appropriate. Children need to bring a non-fizzy drink. Due to known allergies, we ask that no nut products are brought onto school site please.

Course: Tuesday 26th May 2026 from 09:30am to 11:30am  
Cost: £12 per person payable in advance with a booking form.  
*Please note that payment is accepted by card only.*

Early booking is essential as places are strictly limited and will be filled on a first come first served basis.  
\*\* Closing deadline for bookings is Monday 18th May 2026. None will be accepted after this date. \*\*  
Courses will only run if minimum numbers are reached. Children will need to have their own bicycle and helmet.  
Please note that refunds are not available unless the course is cancelled by Harris Sports Centre.

To book a place, please email Debbie: [ssp@harris.commat.org](mailto:ssp@harris.commat.org)



# FUN DAY

SATURDAY 16TH MAY 10AM - 2PM

Come along to try...

Sailing, Windsurfing & Paddleboarding

Plus... ♦ Meet our Pirate!  
♦ BBQ, Games, Activities

ADVANCE BOOKING, INFO & WHAT TO BRING:

www.draycotewater.co.uk/club-open-day

## Bookings NOW LIVE!

**SAVE 10%**  
\*expires Sunday 3rd May!

MAY HALF-TERM

Four days of sport and fun with friends!  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

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Warwickshire Libraries

## What's On Guide

April - September 2026

Warwickshire Libraries launch  
Spring/Summer 2026 What's On Guide

Warwickshire Libraries is pleased to announce the launch of its Spring/Summer 2026 What's On Guide highlighting a lively and engaging programme of cultural, creative and community activities taking place from April to September across all 18 council-managed libraries.

<http://tiny.cc/ny52101>

MAY HALF TERM

Play days

£25

Per day per child

10% off when booked by Friday May 1st

Impact Dance

Mill Road Rugby CV21 1AA

3-11

year olds

9am - 3pm

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

Book now

playdates@hayleyimpactdance.co.uk

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COACHING

## MAY Holiday Club

- Football ● Tag Rugby ● Frisbee ● Dodgeball ●
- Basketball ● Netball ● Hockey ● Tennis ●
- Cricket ● Rounders ● Gymnastics ● Table Tennis ●

PLUS, PLENTY OF OTHER FUN GAMES

26 – 29 May

not running on Bank Holiday Monday

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0900-1600

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£17 PER DAY PER CHILD

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AGE 5-11

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BILTON JUNIOR SCHOOL

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BOOK NOW

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akcoaching2020@gmail.com

**Activities** If you are looking to advertise a local afterschool or holiday club in our bulletin, please email the details to : [marketing@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk](mailto:marketing@biltonjuniorschool.co.uk)



6 GREAT VENUES      5 AMAZING ACTIVITIES

## MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

FROM £12 PER DAY      9AM - 3:30PM

**26<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

PHONE: 07772873271  
EMAIL: [BOOKINGS@KITSACADEMY.COM](mailto:BOOKINGS@KITSACADEMY.COM)

EARLY DROP OFF AND LATE PICK UP AVAILABLE



## PQA RUGBY

# K-POP -DANCE AND SING

**27TH & 28TH MAY 2026**  
09:00 - 15:00 | 1 DAY £30 | 2 DAYS £50 | AGES 4-14

**BOOK YOUR PLACE**

**PAULINE QUIRKE ACADEMY**  
OF PERFORMING ARTS

## RAINSBROOK VALLEY RAILWAY PUBLIC RIDE EVENTS

Join us for a wonderful time on the railway in 2026!

- Just 5 minutes from central Rugby
- Free parking
- Friendly cafe & picnic area
- Beautiful scenery
- All ages welcome!

**Save the dates**

17th May  
27th May  
21st June  
19th July  
16th August  
30th August  
20th September  
11th October  
31st October



**Book your tickets today**



**Great for friends & all the family!**

Find out more at: [www.rainsbrookvalleyrailway.co.uk](http://www.rainsbrookvalleyrailway.co.uk)




**May Half Term**  
Wednesday 27th to Friday 29th May

# May Half Term

## Football & Active Kids

Fun, active and flexible holiday childcare for ages 5-11

**At Rugby**  
Lawrence Sheriff School  
CV21 3AE

**£20** per day  
Childcare vouchers accepted

Hours **8.30 to 9am** drop off **3.30 to 4pm** collection

**BOOK NOW AT** [onsidecoaching.co.uk](http://onsidecoaching.co.uk)



# Dates and Contact Details

## 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>

## School Diary Dates 2026

### Summer Term

May Bank Holiday Monday 4th May  
Half Term Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May  
School Opens Monday 1st June  
School Closes at 3.30pm Friday 17th July  
Teacher Training Day Monday 20th July

### Autumn Term

Teacher Training Days Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September 2026  
School Opens Thursday 3rd September 2026  
Autumn Half Term Monday 26th – Friday 30th October  
School Opens Monday 2nd November  
School Closes 3.30pm Friday 18th December 2026

## 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

### 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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