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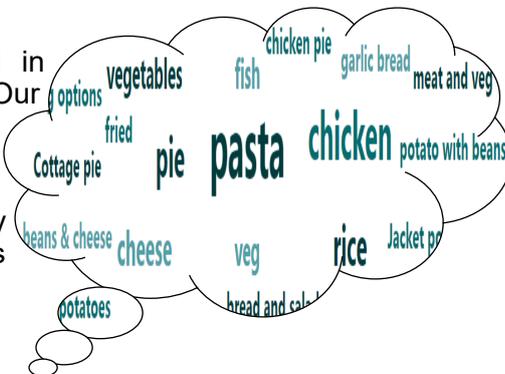
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Date: 26th May 2023

Newsletter

Dear Families,

Thank you for the positive comments that we have had in response to the new menu which comes into effect next term. Our Spring/Summer menu has been devised to take into account your comments from the lunch survey we sent out— 82% of those who responded wanted more choice of dessert, 68% were interested in a school packed lunch— and we are happy to receive feedback on this first menu in order to prepare menus for subsequent terms.



Thank you for bearing with us while we change over to the My Child at School app; we realise that there may be teething problems whilst we all get used to the new system but are confident that once everyone (including us!) is familiar with all the new features and procedures it will be a better system all round. **Please do not pay money into clubs or other payment items on ParentPay as this is no longer being used in school.** If you have debts outstanding on Parentpay, please pay this **today**; we will cancel any club bookings that have been made if there is money outstanding. Any credit on Parentpay will be transferred to your MCAS account.

I hope you will support Friends of Badbury Park fundraising initiative by encouraging your child to fill the raisin box that they have all been given today—please see page 4 for more details. I look forward to finding out after half term which class has raised the most!

Have a lovely sunny bank holiday weekend. Don't forget, school is closed for half term from 29th May—2nd June and 5th June is a teacher development day. We look forward to seeing all the children again on **Tuesday 6th June**



Mrs Dance

Nursery

It has been a fantastic, sunny week in Apple Tree class and we have enjoyed being outside. As the weather is warming up, please remember to send in a named sun hat and apply suncream in the morning. Outside, we made our own train and racing car using HUGE boxes. We decorated and found the resources we needed, sharing with our friends.



We have been recapping the sounds we have learnt in phonics and working hard to make towers with different amounts of blocks, counting them out and finding the correct number.

As part of mental health week last week, we revisited the Colour Monster story and spoke about how we are feeling and how we can help each other.

Have a wonderful break!

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Reception

The aliens have landed in Reception! This week we have been busy creating aliens using a range of materials and methods. In phonics we have been sorting real words and alien (fake) words and practising writing them on whiteboards. We have finished the week with our very own alien party!

The children have thoroughly enjoyed the space topic this term and have learnt amazing facts!

Well done Ash and Oak tree class.



Year 1/2



Beech have had an amazing week of outdoor learning in the sunshine this week! On Wednesday we received a letter from Dr Dig, a world-famous palaeontologist, who asked us to help him find fossils on school grounds. We found frozen eggs and had to work out how to extract the fossils carefully without causing them damage. We've also had a wonderful time in maths, getting practical with capacity and mass.



This week in Pine Tree class and Yew Tree class, we became palaeontologists, and we went fossil hunting on the school field. The children worked in groups to search for fossils, before excavating them. The children really enjoyed doing this! The children then wrote a recount about their experience, using time conjunctions.



Year 3:

Maple Tree Class have begun exploring our new text of 'The Hodgehog' as part of our modern fiction genre. So far, we have explored the first chapters of the story using our reading and comprehension skills to understand the story. In Maths, we have been looking at capacity using millilitres and litres, comparing these units of measurements and equivalents. In History, we have looked at the Neolithic period particularly food sources and farming, and how the people of this period began sourcing crops to their advantage. Finally in Science, we have begun looking at plants and their basic structures. We will explore this topic further when we return after half term.



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School day timings

From 6th September there will be a slight change to the timing of the school day. Please see below the start and finish times for each year group (any changes are highlighted in bold) together with drop off/pick up location.



Year Group	Start time	Finish time	Drop off/Pick up
Nursery	08.30 /12.15	11.30/3.15	Front of school via nursery gate
Reception	08.50am	3pm	Front of school via gate
Year 1	08.45am	3pm	Classroom via rear playground
Year 2	08.45am	3.15pm	Classroom via rear playground
Year 3	08.45am	3.15pm	Line up in rear playground
Year 4	08.45am	3.15pm	Line up in rear playground

If you use the “drop and go” system at the back of the school, children will need to be at the gate **by 08.40am**.



Gates will close just after the start times stated above; any child that arrives after this time must enter via the school office where they will need to be signed in by the adult bringing them to school. Research has shown that being regularly late for school has a significant negative impact on a child's learning so please make sure your child arrives on time.

Play leaders

We have been having great positive play on our playground helped by our fantastic Play Leaders. The idea of Play Leaders came from seeing great children playing on the playground and demonstrating team work and play with their friends. We wanted to find a way of celebrating this and encouraging others too.

Each week a group of play leaders are on the playground looking out for great players and we meet on Fridays to decide next week's play leaders. Last week's play leaders spoke so positively about what they had seen and how friendly and kind their school mates were—So far so good!



Breakfast club

From Tuesday 6th June, breakfast club will move to the main school hall. To access the hall you just need to walk through the side gate, towards the rear playground (as you would normally to get to the club in the current location) and the hall door will be immediately on your left after passing through the gate.

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Friends of Badbury Park Primary School

'FUND-RAISIN' CHALLENGE!

The challenge is to eat your raisins and fill your box with as much money as you can by 9th June 2023!

please use a named envelope if you need more space!

All proceeds from this will go towards funding an end of year school disco for all pupils!



The class who collectively raises the most money will receive a special treat!

IDEAS!

Chores for change
Dog walking
Old toy sale
Bake sale
Sponsored run
Sell your art
Car wash
Anything you like!!!

Please make sure you write your child's name, class & amount raised clearly on the box!



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School Diary

April 2023

17th—Children return to school for first day of term 5
24th—Parents curriculum meetings for all year groups at 5pm
28th : Table Top sale—fundraising for the Gambia project

May 2023

1st—Bank Holiday (no school)
2nd—Parent Workshop 3pm “Parenting in the digital world”
4th—Reading at Home workshop 2.30pm
5th—Coronation celebration
8th—Additional bank holiday for King’s coronation (no school)
29th May to 2nd June—half term holiday

June 2023

5th—TD day—no school for pupils
9th— Stay & Play for nursery and new Reception pupils
w/c 12th: Phonics screening check (Y1/Y2)
14th: Meeting for new to Reception parents 6.30pm
20th : Class photos
21st: Meeting for new Nursery parents 6.30pm
27th : Stay & Play for nursery and new Re-

July 2023

5th: Sports day
7th: TD day—no school for pupils
8th: Summer fete
10th: Reports out to parents
13th: Last open house
14th: Stay & Play for nursery and new Reception pupils
18th: Induction/class swap day
25th: Last day of term (children return to school on 6th September)

Teacher Training Days 2022/2023

✦ Friday 7th July 2023

Teacher Training Days 2023/2024

✦ Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th September 2023

✦ Monday 30th October 2023

✦ Wednesday 3rd January 2024

✦ Monday 3rd June 2024

✦ Monday 8th July 2024