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Adventurous









Date: 11th November 2022

Newsletter

Dear Families.

Term 2 is off to a great start; children have returned well and settled straight back into routine. The weather has definitely turned cooler so please make sure children have water proof coats and named hats, gloves and scarves in school. This week three year groups have visited our good neighbours, The Richard Jefferies Museum—you will see some pictures on the class pages. A big thank you to all the volunteers that made these trips possible. We are aware of the rising costs of living and plan to keep our school trips local and as cheap as possible going forward



Mrs Debono has been successfully appointed as Assistant Headteacher at Badbury Park Primary. She will continue to lead Key Stage 1 and also work across the school leading on Teaching and Learning. I'm sure you will join me in

congratulating her on this promotion. Sadly, Miss Doddington is relocating and therefore will be saying goodbye to Badbury at the start of December. We are advertising for her replacement. Unfortunately this may affect our After School Club provision but we will try our best to cover internally this term. With a change of staff we are taking the opportunity to re-think the After School Club and urge you to complete the short survey that we posted this week.

Our Nursery is now full but we did not get enough new children to enable us to open a second room. If your child requires a Nursery place from September 2023 please apply via the office as soon as possible.

The PCSO has been joined by a Police officer this week and they are continuing to monitor the parking and traffic situation outside of school. Please be aware that traffic wardens will now be patrolling and may issue tickets for anyone parked illegally or unsafely. Please do walk to school wherever possible.

Friends of Badbury Park are very pleased to issue the first newsletter—please take the time to read through the separate page attached to this newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend

Nursery What a wet, windy week it has been! We are getting really independent



in putting on our own waterproofs and wellies ready to go outside and enjoy the rainy weather.

This week, we have painted poppies to display in our classroom and have been experimenting with mixing colours and making marks.

We have done lots of fine motor activities such as threading and balancing colourful beads on a spiders web. The children

have been showing great resilience to keep going even when it gets tricky.

We have been revisiting some of our favourite songs and stories also learnt a new nursery rhyme – "Mmm mmm went the little green frog". Ask the children to show you their frog faces! Next week we will be celebrating Nursery Rhyme Week so will have lots of songs to share with you.







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Reception Ash and Oak Class have been talking about fireworks and bonfire night and making beautiful firework pictures. We also learnt the rhyme 'Remember, Remember the 5th of November'.





The children have really enjoyed Squiggle Wiggle and we have squiggled up up, down do

we have squiggled up up, down down - look at our amazing marks we made! We have been learning all about Remembrance Day and made some lovely poppies.



<u>Year 1/2</u> This week we have been learning about the history of transport and have been sorting old and new examples. In maths, we have been applying our knowledge of numbers to solve simple problems using the structure: first, next and then. The children have represented numbers and added more using counters, jottings and their fingers. They then wrote down addition ______

number sentences.

Year 2 are enjoying our forest school sessions and made some autumn pictures from what we found on the ground.

In Pine tree class with Mrs Bickerton, our forest school leader, we have been building bug houses, leaf piles and creating safe places for hibernating animals.



We all went on an autumn walk to the Richard Jefferies museum. It was very interesting exploring inside the museum and learning all about him and his home. There were lots of signs of autumn that we could see too. Did you know that Richard Jefferies home used to be a farm house and his bedroom was like a fridge?





Year 3 For the beginning of Term 2, Maple Tree class have been finishing up their learning of



Romans by learning about Roman baths, roads and revising gods and goddesses. As part of our topic, we visited the wonderful Richard Jefferies Museum to learn about Roman pottery. The children dug for clay using special tools before using the clay to create Roman inspired pottery. Everyone had a fantastic time and

a very memorable experience! In Maths, we have begun learning the column method for addition and subtraction to help the children learn an efficient method for calculation. We have explored Roman myths for English with

the children learning what makes this genre unique. Finally, Maple Tree class have used outdoor learning to explore playgrounds and what makes them fun and exciting places as they look to create their own adventure playground design.





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Rhymers are Readers!

Next week, Nursery will be celebrating World Nursery Rhyme Week.

Rhymes play an important part in children's listening and literacy skills. They help children's early numeracy skills and they are FUN!

To find out more about this year's rhymes and how you can participate at home with free resources, please visit:

https://www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/parents-and-carers/

Odd sock day—Monday 14th November

WHAT IS ODD SOCKS DAY?

Odd Socks Day is part of Anti-Bullying Week! To celebrate that we are all unique, we ask that children wear odd socks to school on Monday 14th November.

The day sends an important message that we should all be allowed to be ourselves, free from bullying and helps us celebrate Anti-Bullying Week in a fun and positive way This year's theme for Anti Bullying Week is 'Reach Out' and children will learn that it's always possible to reach out and ask for help if they are worried about bullying .

Fig. Photo proof cards were distributed this week. The deadline for you to order online with free delivery to school is: Monday 14th November 2022. Any orders after the deadline will be subject to postage & packaging costs with delivery direct to your home address. If you have lost the proof card or have trouble ordering, please contact the photographers directly via email. dsp.enquiries@gmail.com



- ▶ Nasal flu vaccination: the immunisation team will be in school on Thursday 17th November. Only those children whose parents have given consent will receive the vaccine. If you missed the deadline to give consent (6th November) your child will not be vaccinated at school, however you will have the opportunity to book them into a community catch up clinic. This also applies if your child is absent or refuses the vaccination at school.
- ▶ Medical appointments should be made outside of school hours where possible. When this is unavoidable, please give the school maximum amount of notice as possible; you will be asked to provide a copy of the letter, email or text when you collect your child.



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BBC Children in Need - Friday 18th November

Children are welcome to come to school in something spotty on 18th November in return for a donation to the Children in Need appeal which raises money throughout the year to fund charities and projects which directly support children and young



people in communities right across the UK. This year, Children in Need is

focusing on the effect that the cost of living crisis is having on young people and the charities and community organisations that support them.

Please do NOT send cash on the day as we are a cashless office, and make your donation on via this ParentPay link https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8306

COMMUNITY NOTICES









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November 2022

1st: Start of term 2

2nd: Individual school photos

14th: Odd socks Day

14th-18th: Anti-bullying week

16th: School Tour 10.30

17th: Nasal Flu Clinic in school

18th: Children In Need

25th: School tour at 11.00

26th: Christmas Fayre 1pm-4pm

December 2022

7th & 8th YR Christmas production

9th: Christmas jumper day

12th: Christmas singalong at 2pm—Y1, Y2

and Y3

15th: Christmas party (am)

15th: Christmas lunch—whole school

15th: Open House—parents are invited in to

school from 2pm

16th: Last day of term 2

19th Dec—3rd Jan: School Holiday

January 2023

3rd January: TD day—no school for pupils 4th January: Start of term 3. All children re-

turn to school

9th January: Curriculum meetings Reception

-Y3 at 5pm

Teacher Training Days 2022/2023

- Tuesday 3rd January 2023
- Friday 7th July 2023

School closure day

Thursday 4th May 2023 (Polling Day)