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Head's Corner

On Thursday we welcomed parents to our first PTFA meeting of the new school year. There was a lot to discuss and we have many exciting events in the planning to look forward to. On Friday we enjoyed the Year 6 assembly on the canonisation of St Teresa of Calcutta.

Sports

Last Friday saw a return to games for the juniors. We went to Bury Church High School and used their fantastic facilities to practise our dribbling skills in football. In the following weeks the children will be practising and developing their skills in a range of sports including hockey, tag rugby and netball. On Monday, the children took part in dance lessons where they generated ideas for the start of a dance routine relating to their class topic. In Year 3 this meant getting into the character of Tudor nobility attending a banquet. Today the juniors have started their swimming programme. We are certainly keeping fit and active! We also have a football club starting next Friday and a netball club starting soon. We have received a great deal of interest in our after school sports clubs and I would like to thank you for your support. We will soon be looking to create teams to take part in various school competitions.

Watch this space!
Certificates this week

Early years -sports award – Tafara – for fantastic rhythm in Street Dance.

Key Stage 1 - Daniel Y2 - For settling back into school sports with confidence.

Key Stage 2 - Junior Y3- For excellence and skill in dance and football

Have a great weekend,
Mr Larkins

On Friday the Junior children started their swimming sessions at Castle leisure centre. All children were assessed as part of their first lesson and will move to their allocated groups next Friday

JUNIOR CHOIR



Our Junior Choir takes place each Thursday from 3.30pm-4.15pm. We had an excellent session this week as we sang and tapped tambourines, and began to prepare a very special performance for our Harvest Festival – great fun! All children from Years 2 and 3 are welcome – no audition necessary! Please come along Miss Farrow

Good to Be Green



In school we use the 'Good to be Green' behaviour system. This enables teachers to manage their classrooms in a positive and productive way. Positive reinforcement of good behaviour is always more effective than negative punishments, and children are rewarded through verbal praise, housepoints and being sent to show the head their fantastic work. Children who are well behaved will stay green throughout the day. Should a child behave inappropriately, they are given a 'yellow' warning card which can subsequently turn into a 'red' card if the behaviour continues. Red cards can also be given out of more serious one-time occurrences, and the child is sent to Mrs Howard to discuss what has happened. A 'Stop and Think' sheet is given out to be completed at home so parents are aware of what has happened. Fortunately this does not occur very often! Positive reinforcement of good behaviour is our prime objective. At the end of every term, those children who have remained 'green' all term, are added to our 'Good to be Green' tree in the library as a bronze leaf for one term, a silver for two, and gold for three. The following children remained 'green all year, and have been awarded a 'gold' leaf- congratulations to you all!

Y1 Daniel, Samarah, Aaryan, Abbas, Annabelle, Harry, Cora, Aoife, Olivia & Ayaan

Y2 Diane, Scarlett, Orlagh, Nayab, Erin, William, & Sarah

Y3 Alfie, Dane, Emily, Imogen & Adeena

Y5 Matthew, Edan, Rosie, Liam Isabel & Daniel

Y6 Molly, Niamh, Joseph, Shriya, Michael, Hamza, Seyanna, Annabel, Lucy & Rachel

After School Clubs

Our extra-curricular clubs have begun this week, and children have enjoyed the variety of things they can join in with. As per normal procedure, there will be a charge of £3 for the following clubs that take place after school: Art Club, Netball and Football.

From next week, we will be running the additional clubs- Code Club (all ages- maximum 10 children) on Mondays in the Y2 classroom. This will be run by Mrs Connelly (parent volunteer), and we are registered with Code Club UK. It will run from 4.15-5.15, and the children will be given a light tea before going to the club.

Also we will be running an Irish Dancing Club- this will take place on Wednesdays, (3.30-4.30) in the school hall- led by Miss Harrison- a 6th former from Bury Grammar School, and past pupil here at BCPS. This club is initially open to Y1 and 2 children, but we are hoping to extend it later this year.

As above, there will be a £3 charge for attending these new clubs, and parents will be invoiced on a monthly basis. Please let Mrs Penketh know as soon as possible if you would like your child to join.

Nursery

This week in Nursery it's all been about Roald Dahl and garden adventures.

On Tuesday we joined up with Reception and had a scrumdilyumptious morning, we made magical dream jars and designed our own Wonka bars and truffles with the help of some very strange Oompa Loompas.

We went on a Garden Adventure into Arden Garden with our magnifying glasses to see what we could find, with our beady eyes we spied a slug, a snail, a worm, an ant, a spider and a ladybird.

We really have been the Music Makers and we have been the Dreamers of Dreams!!

Where will our adventures take us next week



Travelling By Tuba

We had a tuneful start to our day on Thursday as 'Travelling by Tuba' visited us. The day began with a wonderful show for all our children, staff and parents and then we all enjoyed workshops – a chance for a hip wiggling bit of music-making!



ASPIRATIONS WEEK – AN APPEAL!

Beginning on Monday 3rd October, we shall be hosting an Aspirations Week for our Year 6 pupils. The week is aimed to give the children a first glimpse into what might be available to them in their bright and shiny futures, as they stride on towards high school and young adulthood! You might call it a 'first careers week'. During the week, the children will listen to presentations from people working in a whole range of professions. We are already looking forward to a geologist, and hope to welcome a solicitor, a micro-biologist, and maybe even an opera singer!!!

If you know anyone (including yourselves!) who might be willing to spend twenty minutes with our children talking to them about their working lives, please contact Miss Farrow, or the office.



ROALD DAHL 100



Tuesday saw us celebrating the hundredth birthday of Roald Dahl with a plethora of 'Marvellous' activities in school. The children, and the staff, looked amazing as our

classrooms and playground were transformed into a world of Dahl characters! Our early years had a themed party, our older children watched a live transmission of literature based show beamed round the world, of all things Roald Dahl! Children enjoyed English and PHSEE lessons focused on such topics as human rights, and self-belief and confidence, and the day ended with an assembly of rhyme and verse put together almost entirely by the children themselves!

Our appeal for donations to Roald Dahl's 'Marvellous' charity, which raises funds to provide specialist nurses for seriously ill children raised a FIZZ-SQUIGGLING. The money next week so if anybody would like to make further donations, the pot is still open!

Thank you so very much for your support of our initiatives, as ALWAYS! Miss Farrow

TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL MEETING PLEASE NOTE – IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES!

Next Friday 23rd September, at 3.30pm, I shall be hosting a meeting for all **Year 6** parents concerning transition to high school. The meeting will address the many aspects of making the best choice of school for your children, and the important issue of making choices for LEA application forms.



PTFA Race Night—Friday 07 October 6p.m.—
8.30p.m. a great family fun night



This week's Star Badges go to:

Nursery George – for fabulous music skills & joining in with Travelling by Tuba & Lucy – for settling in so well and always coming in with a beautiful smile on her face.

Reception Aayaan- for an excellent effort with his letter formation and writing his name.

Year 1 Dane – for completing all tasks confidently (including extra challenges) in Maths.

Year 2 Daisy, for making a super start to BCPS, settling in really well and trying hard with her work.
Thanks,

Year 3 Dane – for completing all tasks confidently (including extra challenges) in Maths.

Year 4 /5 Jimi and Matthew for newspaper articles on Christmas Truce

Year 6 Molly Payne for excellent historical enquiry skills – a born detective!

Busy Bees Busy Bees Isla for being a very helpful little girl. Diane for always being a kind friend to everyone.