



Newsletter 15

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Dear Parent/Carer,

What a wonderful week we have had! It was so uplifting to see all the children return to school on Monday with smiles on their faces and they created a real buzz of excitement around the school.

Thanks to your help supporting your child's learning in the period of school closure they settled back into school routines almost immediately. We plan to build on the support you have given your child by sharing the topics and subjects we are teaching on a weekly basis through our weekly parent update which you will receive via text each Friday. We hope that you can find time to share this with your child as it will support them in their learning for the following week.

Please remember to wear a face mask at all times on schools site and remember to drop off and collect your child at their allocated times.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Rogerson



INSPIRE our children to succeed



CREATE excitement for learning



ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE

BREAKFAST CLUB AND PLAYCARE

If you require a place please book via <https://forms.gle/dK4ybuw4oxDQ6W18A>

We are asking parents to book a term in advance for both Breakfast Club and Playcare and not just turn up on the day. If last minute care is needed please call us and we will support you as best we can. These measures are now in place in order to keep Covid 19 secure and keep all pupils, families and staff safe in our Breakfast and Afterschool care.

If you have any questions or queries about fees or having difficulty in making payments, please make an appointment to see Mrs Campbell (School Business Manager).

Full terms and conditions can be found in the form.

ATTENDANCE

NO DAYS LOST	10 DAYS LOST	19 DAYS LOST	29 DAYS LOST THE SAME AS HALF A TERM!	38 DAYS LOST	47 DAYS LOST
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
190 days of education	180 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education	143 days of education
GOOD Best chance of success - get your child off to a flying start		WORRYING Less chance of success. Makes it harder for your child to progress.		SERIOUS CONCERN COURT ACTION AND FINES	

TERM DATES

BREAK UP	RETURN TO SCHOOL
FRIDAY 12 FEB	MONDAY 22 FEB
THURSDAY 1 APR	TUESDAY 20 APR
FRIDAY 28 MAY	MONDAY 7 JUNE
WEDNESDAY 21 JULY	MONDAY 6 SEPT

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Class	Name	Reason	Reader of the week
RF	Ayyub Q	Ayyub has returned to school with a positive attitude towards his learning, he is keen to impress his teachers and peers, in all his endeavours. Keep up tghe amazing work!	Cole D
RL	Harry D	We are so proud of how Harry has settled back into the structures and routines in Reception. Throughout the week Harry has grown in confidence and has been wowing us in maths lesson. Harry was able to confidently count from 0-10 independently. Keep up the good work Harry!	Parwin M
RM	Rayyan I K	We are so proud of how Rayyan has settled back into school this week. He has been super sensible and has been a great role model to the other children in our class. We were particularly 'wowed' by Rayyan's tower that he built with his peers. He worked brilliantly in a team and even when the task became challenging, he persevered and he showed no signs of giving up! Well done!	Kiyaan O
1J	Muhammad H J	Hasaam has come back to school really well. He has adjusted back to the school routine amazingly. Hasaam has been tackling his school work with lots of effort and always is trying his best. Keep it up Hasaam!	Lujeen A
1M	Eliza Z	Eliza has made a fantastic start back to school this week. She has shown a really positive attitude to her learning, contributing her own ideas in lessons and completing her work more independently. Miss Morrow and Miss Rafter are very proud Eliza - well done!	Nigel G-F
1P	Nobel N	It has been wonderful to have Nobel back in class. We are so proud of how much effort Nobel is making to talk to adults in 1P more often. Nobel clearly wants to work hard on his learning and has put a fantastic effort into phonics and reading this week. We are proud of you Nobel!	Jahanara A
2T	Mustafa A	Mustafa is our star of the week because even though he has spent a long time away from school he has not forgotten any of our classroom rules. He listens so carefully in lessons and has also shared some incredible knowledge about traditional objects from Pakistan this week! Well done Mustafa!	Hussain B
2H	Eesa A	Eesa has had an amazing week! He has settled back into the school routine extremely well. Eesa comes into school everyday smiling and has a fantastic attitude to learning. He has particularly impressed me this week in his maths lessons when multiplying and dividing large numbers. Eesa has also tried really hard with his presentation. Well done Eesa! I am so proud of you.	Qayim J
2C	Hassan A	Hassan has settled back in to school brilliantly this week. He has worked hard in every lesson and is growing in confidence which is lovely to see. Well done Hassan!	Afia C
3C	Mohammed S N	Saeed has come back to school with an excellent attitude to learning. He has engaged in every lesson and demonstrated his sensible and calm nature- an excellent role model for his peers! We are delighted to have you back, Saeed.	Khyra C
3O	Aisha H	Aisha has settled back into school really well. She has been very focused in all of her lessons, and we are particularly proud of her hard work in maths! Well done Aisha!	Rayyan H
3M	Hannah L P	Hannah has returned to school full of enthusiasm and keen to share what she has learned in the Google Classroom. Keep going Hannah, we love when you are so engaged in lessons!	Nadin M
4J	Halimah B	For her excellent attitude to learning and helping her peers.	Haider A N
4B	Romanie-Skye S	Romanie has had a great start back into the main classroom. She comes in everyday smiling and tries extremely hard with every lesson, even the challenging ones. Well done Romanie!	Mahfood M
4L	Lola Mai B	What an amazing week Lola has had. She has such a positive attitude to her learning and you can see a real thirst for knowledge. I am so impressed Lola, keep this up.	Mohammed H
5C	Umair M	Umair has returned to school with a positive and amazing attitude. He has shown everybody what it is to be a good listener, a good worker and above all, a good friend to all of his classmates. Keep it up Umair, we are all proud of you.	Charanjot G
5S	Faria A	Faria has returned to school with the same positive attitude she showed on Google Classroom. She listens well in lessons and always tries her best. Well done Faria.	Laith R
5M	Bilal A	Bilal works very hard in every lesson and is an excellent role model to all pupils. I am very proud to have him in my class.	Eiliyah Z
6HB	Hussain T	Wow! What an amazing start back Hussain has had! He is trying his best in all of our lessons and is beginning to show some great independence with his own learning. He has completely smashed this week and I am confident he will continue to work hard throughout the rest of the year.	Ibraheem Y
6B	Huzaiyfah A	What an incredible start Huzaiyfah has had back at school. He is listening, contributing and trying his very best in every lesson. I am really proud of him!	Airon F
6S	Iqra A	Iqra is my star of the week this week as she has returned to school with such a wonderful and positive attitude. She treats everyone with the utmost respect and is a pleasure to have around. Thank you, Iqra for making our return so lovely!	Lubna A
RB	Rayyan D	Rayyan has returned to school with such a positive attitude. He always has a smile on his face and it has been a pleasure to have him in RB2. Keep up the amazing work!	Eesa M

WORLD BOOK DAY

On Thursday 4th March, we celebrated World Book Day. The children (and staff) had a fantastic day celebrating all things reading! Even though lots of our pupils were working very hard from home, this did not stop them from joining in the fun with their super outfits. And of course, the children's costumes in school were fabulous too. We really do appreciate the effort - especially with the shops being closed. This week, your child will be receiving their £1 WBD book token - the tokens can be used at bookstores beyond the March 28th date printed on the token. Please take a look at some of the brilliant pictures of World Book Day below. Again, thank you so much for your efforts.



To support our response to COVID 19 please remember to:

- **Wear a face covering on the school site**
- **Adhere to social distancing guidelines**
- **Follow the one-way system**

Thank you

REMINDER

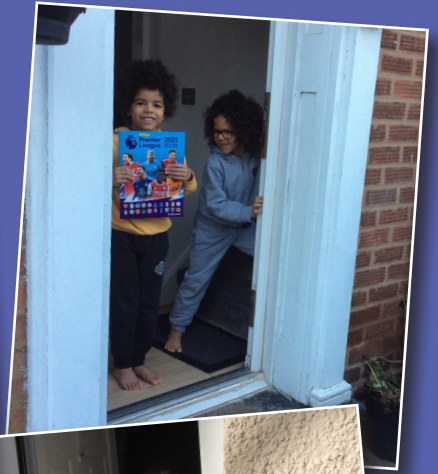
Any children not collected by 3.30pm will be taken to After School Club. You will be charged £4 for child care. *Thank you.*

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Can you please make sure school has up to date addresses, phone numbers and contact details for your child. If you are unsure please check with the Reception Office where we will be happy to check for you. It is essential the school has up to date information.

REMOTE REWARDS

We were so proud of each and every one of our children over lockdown for their fantastic online learning. Understandably, learning from home can be very tricky but lots of our children persevered and completed all of their lessons and attended their class meets (which was our favourite time of day!) Because of this, we wanted to reward all that hard work with some prizes which we called 'Remote Rewards'. Once a week, all the children that completed all their online work and attended their class meets would be put into a random prize draw and each week the numbers grew higher and higher! As well as this, our teachers would nominate one child per year group who had shown the most improvement in how much work they completed. Well done to everyone who was won as well as everyone who was in the draws - you deserved it. Look at the smiling faces!



ACTION CALENDAR: MINDFUL MARCH 2021



MONDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

TUESDAY

2 Notice five things that are beautiful in the world outside

WEDNESDAY

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

THURSDAY

4 Notice how you speak to yourself. Try to use kind words

FRIDAY

5 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

SATURDAY

6 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

SUNDAY

7 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture & smell of your food

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

13 Pause to just watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that need doing

15 Stop, breathe and just notice. Repeat regularly during the day

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

17 Look around and spot 3 things you find unusual or pleasant

18 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

20 Celebrate the International Day of Happiness dayofhappiness.net

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

22 Walk a different route today and see what you notice

23 Tune in to your feelings, without judging or trying to change

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted

26 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible

27 Have a device-free day and enjoy the space it offers

28 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are

29 Notice what is working today and be thankful that this is so

30 Mentally scan down your body and notice what it is feeling

31 Notice the joy to be found in the simple things of life

"Mindfulness means that we commit fully in each moment to be present" - Jon Kabat-Zinn



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS



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Learn more about this month's theme at www.actionforhappiness.org/mindful-march

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AN AFTERNOON OF BIG BILLESLEY BELLY LAUGHS!

RED NOSE DAY

FUNNY IS POWER

FRIDAY 19 MARCH

BUY A NOSE, MAKE A NOSE, PAINT YOUR NOSE.

You could buy a nose from the shops, you could make a nose out of something from home, or you could paint your nose a beautiful ruby red. The choice is yours! Be creative and make your friends and teachers LAUGH.

FUNNY NOSE AND FUNNY CLOTHES.

Come to school on Comic Relief Day with a funny nose and wearing some funny clothes. Dazzle your friends and delight your teachers. Look in the mirror and make yourself giggle, chortle, chuckle and guffaw!

JOKES, QUIZZES AND ACTIVITIES

Spend the afternoon writing jokes to make your classmates laugh. Take part in a crazy class quiz and complete some fun, fun, fun Comic Relief activities. Have a joke competition. Who can tell the funniest joke which gets the most laughs?! Take a video and put it on Facebook and Twitter to make your parents and the whole world laugh!

DONATE TO COMIC RELIEF

To take part in this wackiest of wacky days, donate £1.00 (or more if you would like) to Comic Relief. Comic Relief helps millions of people all over the world to improve their lives. We at Billesley can be part of this and do our little bit to help. [CLICK HERE TO DONATE](#)



Thank you from the BPS TEAM



7 TOP TIPS TO SUPPORT READING AT HOME

**Thursday
1 April
10am &
5pm**

If you join our webinar, your child will receive a new and exciting book!



Mr Tyler, Miss Triance and Miss Lippett will be discussing:

- exciting and proven strategies to bring reading to life in your homes!
- top tips to support your child in becoming an excellent reader!
- inspiring ways to help your child become a lifelong reader!

Featuring:



Mr Tyler



Miss Triance



Miss Lippett

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