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St Bert's News

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18th March 2024

Family Worship

Tomorrow, our worship will be led by Danny Sedano.

It would be lovely to see as many parents/grandparents as possible join us for our family worship. The children love to have you present.

Lateness

We are seeing quite a few children coming into school late. By coming into school late, not only upsets the child but also upsets the classroom. Please do your best to be in school on time. Thank you for your support.

Parking!!

Parking has always been difficult at St Bert's and we appreciate everyone's efforts to maintain a safe environment for the children whilst respecting our local community.

Drop and go operates in the morning, keeping a free flow of cars dropping children off safely. This is facilitated by our gate staff, who school pay extra for. Obviously, this cannot be run after school due to the large number of children that would be waiting at the gate trying to find their appropriate adults. Please do not drive continuously around the two roundabouts waiting for your child. This causes increased

traffic in a small area which is already heavily pedestrianised causing potential health and safety issues. If only we had a better approach to the school, things would be very different. Thank you for your support.

Book Fair Week

Our Book Fair will take place on w/c 18th March 2024 for a week. The Book Fair will be open each day at 3.30pm in the school hall. If you would like to reserve books, then this can be done when their class visits the book fair during the week. Thank you for your support. Book tokens will be handed to the children today - £1 off.

School Dinners

We have been advised by Halton Borough Council that as from 1st April 2024, there will be an increase in the price of a school dinner. The new price is £2.90.

SEND Books - Amnesty

Mrs Tudor our SENDCO has asked if parents of any children with SEND children who have the following books (or any other SEND books), could they please be returned to school asap.

All dogs have ADHD
All cats have ~Autism/Aspergers
All birds have anxiety
Thank you.

Pretty Muddy Race

Four of our children, Wilson, Arthur, Ben and Will are taking part in a Pretty Muddy Race to raise money for cancer research. If you would like to donate, please click on the link below:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/runcorn-linnets-yellows-u9s>

Comic Relief



WOW! Everyone looked amazing last Friday

dressed up in bright colours. We raised £173.40. Thank you.

Odd Sock Day (Down Syndrome Day)

This Thursday 21st March 2024 is Odd Sock Day in support of Down Syndrome Day. As Down Syndrome Day is one of our Lent charities this year, we will be selling gingerbread sock biscuits all week, in exchange for £1. All proceeds will go towards this worthy charity. Also the children can come into school wearing odd socks on day.

Measles, mumps a rubella vaccinations



NHS

1 in 5
children with measles may need a hospital visit

If you or your child have missed measles, mumps and rubella vaccinations, book now at your GP surgery

Worried about pork gelatine in vaccines? You can ask for the MMR vaccine that does not contain this ingredient (Priorix)

www.nhs.uk/mmr

LENT Charity

This year we are supporting causes based around the theme of being a 'planet protector'.



Reception - Litter Picking

Year 1 and 2 - Bird Feeders

Year 3 and 4 Lent Appeal

We will be holding our sale this Thursday 21st March at 3:30pm-4pm in the School Hall. If you have any suitable donations for this initiative, please send to one of our Y3/4 classes. Thank you.

Y5 Tree Planting

Y6 Challenge - Limit Electricity

Easter Egg Competition

It's that time of the year again when we hold our Easter Egg Competition. The competition will be judged on Wednesday 27th March. You have quite a few weeks to come up with some eggciting, eggshibits. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd for each year group. So get your

eggstraordinary ideas eggercized!!

Grandparents Afternoon

Wednesday 27th March 2024 we will be holding our annual Grandparents Afternoon. Grandparents are welcome to come along to school at 2.00pm. There will be a raffle and brief entertainment prior to being able to visit the children. The children will be doing guided tours of the school and will be able to share their school work with their Grandparents. Grandparents will be allowed to take the children home from 3pm. We hope as many Grandparents will be able to join us.

Easter Bunny Secret Stash Raffle

Raffle tickets for our forthcoming East Bunny Secret



Stash raffle will be handed out tomorrow. We have a KS1 stash and a KS2 stash. If you require any more, please contact the office. You have to be in it to win it! Tickets are £1 per strip. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 27th March 2024.

Residentials

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7th - 10th May 2024. Please note that an email was sent out to all year 5 parents whose children are going on this residential. There will be a short meeting for all parents and children on Wednesday 17th April at 3.30pm in the school hall. Please do your best to attend as important information will be given out.

Outstanding balances

A reminder that we still have outstanding balances on the recent residential trips.

Swimming

Mr O'Neill's class will be swimming each Friday afternoon. The last session will be on 19th April 2024.

Wrap Around Care

The Governors at St Bertelina's have been looking at the option of running a 'Wrap around Childcare Programme' at school. This aim coincides with the governments ambition, that by 2026 all parents and carers of primary school aged children who need it, will be able to access term time child care in their local area. This programme is designed to support the initial set up of wraparound provision where there is a clear demand. This would need to be self-sustaining and therefore, to establish if this is the case, there is a link below for parents to complete a short survey which should only take a few moments. This survey will help to identify supply and demand mapping data and the likely future demand for places. We encourage all of our parents to fill in the survey, the data collected will be shared with school.

Link for Parental Wraparound Survey -

<https://forms.office.com/e/3Fqwf1SYaE>

Kooth

In April, Kooth are running webinars specifically to **help parents and carers with children sitting exams**. This support is available, especially if you are worried about your child's anxiety.

Please click on the links below.

[Mon 22 Apr. 1-2pm](#)

[Thu 25 Apr. 6-7pm](#)

Clubs

At St Bert's we run a variety of curriculum clubs after school. These can vary throughout the year, dependent on children's interests and on the number of weeks they are run for. If the club is run by an external provider a cost is incurred to parents. Sometimes, for some clubs we ask for a contribution towards buying particular resources needed. This term we have:

Easter Craft Club

Dates below:
20/03/2024
27/03/2024

3.20pm - 4.20pm

Year 5 and 6 Football Club

Craig Jones Football Club
Dates below:
19/03/24
Time: 3.20pm - 4.15pm

Choir Club

Choir Club will continue on a Friday.

Dance Club

Dates below:
21/03/2024
Time: 3.20pm - 4.15pm

Cricket Taster Session

The second Cricket Taster Session takes place on:
Thursday 21st March 2024
3.20pm - 4.20pm

Signing up to clubs

Can we ask parents to speak to your child before signing them up to an after school club. Some children are taking a place and then not attending, this is blocking a place and preventing other children from attending. Thank you.

Good Luck

Good Luck to Max Edgar one of our Year 6 children is currently representing Everton Football Academy in Portimao, Portugal attending an international tournament. We wish Max luck and look forward to hearing about his experience.

Absence

Can we please remind parents that if your child is unable to attend school due to illness the following procedure should take place:

- School to be contacted on first day of absence to provide a reason for non-attendance using our answerphone service for Attendance (select option 2) or alternatively via School Spider.
- Update the school on the third day of non-attendance if the absence is expected to continue.
- Lastly a letter explaining why your child has been absent from school.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday goes to the following children who celebrated their birthday this week:

Frankie Dudley (6)
Oliver Higginson (7)
Max Rustchynsky (8)
Ralph Williams (5)
Paisley Ellis (5)
Phineas Quilter (5)
Tyler Graham (6)
Harrison Saunders (8)

We hope you have a wonderful day.



Champion Kids Camp



Easter Holiday Club



Health Improvement Team - Halton. Online Physical Activity and Sugar Workshop

Is your child asking for the new 'craze' drink? We shed some light on the new drink 'craze' that has got our children hooked. We will look at the different types of sugars and caffeine and how the body and the brain uses them both. We will also look at how to encourage children to come away from their screen and get more active!

Join us on Tuesday 19th March ONLINE at 6pm for our Physical Activity & Sugar workshop - Places are limited!
[Book your place here!](#)

Quote of the Week

Love is something, if you give it away, give it away, give it away, love is something, if you give it away, you'll end up having more.

Prayers

Prayers this week are for anyone who is feeling under the weather. We hope the sunshine lifts your spirits.

God Bless!