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Dear Parents and Children

This has been a very exciting week for the children in BCPS, with a number of trips and visits for different year groups in the school! The children have represented you and the school brilliantly; many on-lookers have commented this week on how well the children behave. Well done children!

Trips, Visits and shows!

Children in Year 2 went to St John's Museum on Tuesday as part of their history topic. They fully immersed themselves into the museum's Victorian life.

And, whilst the children in Year 2 were at the museum, the **children in Year 3** were at Chedworth Roman Villa learning more about, surprisingly, Roman life.

But wait! On Wednesday the **children in Year 6** journeyed to London to visit the Houses of Parliament in order to consolidate the work they have been doing on democracy and life in modern Britain, and even had the chance to interview Caroline Spelman herself!

And, to add another exciting event, that same evening, **children in Year 3** performed a String musical extravaganza to parents to showcase their developing musical skills! Wow! What a fantastic week for trips, visits and shows! Many thanks to the staff for their splendid organisation and to those of you who were able to help out by accompanying the children on these trips! Thank you all!

Class Assemblies

5M presented an excellent assembly last Friday, sharing with us their learning about the water cycle. It was an informative assembly full of interesting



facts that the children had clearly enjoyed finding out about during their topic on Rivers. It was delivered with clarity, was serious in the way in which facts were shared, but contained a hint of humour, to keep everyone interested. The highlight, without a doubt, came when the children donned sunglasses and baseball caps to perform the 'Water Cycle Rap'. Well done 5M; this was an excellent assembly.

Attendance

Well done to the classes and children below for their attendance and attitude towards learning.

Weekly Attendance	Class
EYFS Highest	RC - 99.3%
KS1 Highest	1D - 98.6%
LKS2 Highest	3C - 99.3%
UKS2 Highest	6J - 98.0%
Whole school	96.1%

Head's Classes of the Week

Well done to the classes below for achieving the largest number of ATL points last week.

EYFS	RM
KS1	1H
LKS2	3B
UKS2	5K

Winners of the Weekly ATL Cup

Well done to the children below for winning the individual ATL cups for earning lots of points last week.

KS1	William V-R, 2K
LKS2	Inderjit C, 4A
UKS2	Ethan T, 6W

Regional English Schools Championship Qualifiers Last week

The boys and girls Year 6 swim teams participated in the Regional English Schools Championship Qualifiers on Friday 17th March at Warwick school. The teams, competing for a place in the national finals at Ponds Forge in Sheffield, were as follows: Roxy B (C), Nicole B, Lois E and Lucy W Max H (C), Sam R, Ethan T and Eddie T.

The teams competed across two relays, the medley relay, where each team member swims one of the four strokes, and the freestyle relay, where the whole team swims front crawl. Both teams finished 5th on all events, posting respectable times but narrowly missing out on the top three qualifying spots. This places both our boys and girls teams into 5th place in the West Midlands. Very well done indeed to all of our super swimmers, and to Mr Barton for his coaching. Many thanks also to Mrs Mitchell for helping to take the children to the swim event last week.

Sport

On Tuesday evening we hosted our first ever Year 2 football match against our partner school, Damson Wood. It was a fantastic game and was very well supported by both sets of parents. Well done to all of the children who took part in this event. On Wednesday our Year 6 full contact rugby team played Crackley Hall away. Although we were beaten by a very strong team, a special mention must go to Oskar Y who was outstanding. On Thursday evening, our Year 5 and 6 footballers were guests at Warwick Prep. Both games were evenly contested, with Year 5 showing great potential and our Year 6's finding real consistency in their game; Miles G and Oskar Y put in great performances. Friday was the annual Bablake rugby tournament for Year 5 pupils. Our squad had a very successful day, the highlights of which were matches against Bablake and Allesley. Both games were very high scoring with the lead changing hands several times. James L and Alex R deserved a special mention by the Wasps RFU coaches.

This has been a really busy week and it has been very rewarding to see our pupils performing and representing our school with such pride and passion.

School Discos Tonight

5.30-6.45 KS1 and 7.00-8.15 KS2.

Have a great weekend

GT Burgess

Robin's Stars of the Week

Peter F, RW

Ziqing Y, RM

Mia L, RK

Joe S, RC

Writers of the Week

Mason C, Joseph G & Violet S, RW

Ben H, RM

Isla B, RK

Jessie S & Myles S, RC

Maths Magicians & Wizards

Jenson B, RC

Sienna S, RK

Noah S, RM

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Good Choice Stars of the Week

Toby W, 3C

Soren W, 3B

Isabel C, 3D

Olivia J, 4W

Millie M, 4A

Ruby P.G, 4C

Ashton W, 5K

Mia H, 5M

Maddy P, 5B

Alfie J, 5B

Kaitlyn S-P, 6W

Oskar Y, 6J

Zara H, 6P

DIARY DATES ~ 2017

Thursday 30 March	Year 4	West Midlands Safari Park
Friday 31 March	9:05	Class Assembly 1S
	14:45	Class Assembly 5K
Tuesday 4 & Wednesday 5 April	Year 4 Production	
Friday 7 April	Easter Bonnet Parade FS and KS1	
Friday 7 April	TERM ENDS FOR EASTER HOLIDAY	
Monday 24 April	Term Begins for Pupils and Staff	
Wednesday 13 April	PTA Meeting	
Monday 1 May	Bank Holiday	
Friday 5 May	9:05	Class Assembly RC
	14:45	Class Assembly 3C
Monday 8 May - Friday 12 May	Key Stage 2 SAT's	
Friday 12 May	14:45	Class Assembly 3D
Wednesday 17 May	PTA Meeting	
Friday 19 May	9:05	Class Assembly RM
	14:45	Class Assembly 3B
	Dads Scalextric	
Wednesday 24 May	UKS2 Sports Day	
Friday 26 May	9:05	Class Assembly RW
	HALF TERM	
Monday 5 June	Term Resumes for Pupils and Staff	
Thursday 8 June	KS1 Sports Day	
Friday 9 June	14:45	Class Assembly 5B
Monday 12 June	Nursery and Reception new parents	
Monday 12 - Friday 16 June	Year 6 to Isle of Wight Residential	
Wednesday 14 June	LKS2 Sports Day	
Friday 16 June	9:05	Class Assembly RK
	14:45	Class Assembly 5K
Tuesday 20 - Friday 23 June	Year 4 at Dunfield House Residential	
Wednesday 21 June	EYFS Sports Day	



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