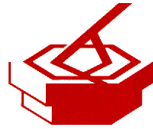




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#### Dear Parents and Children Class Assembly



Mrs Clark's class assembly was absolutely fabulous last week. Many thanks indeed 4C for presenting us with such an entertaining assembly, full of brilliant facts and delivered with such confidence. Well done to all children, and to Mrs Clark too.

#### BCPS Years 5 and 6 Swim Team

BCPS Years 5&6 Swim Team were involved in a closely run gala on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Despite being the most 'senior' team present, there were five swimmers in our team making their debut, or return, to the team. Alex R and Milli R have been selected as team captains for the year and showed good teamwork, helping the new starters out and cheering on the team. BCPS girls and boys came in 2<sup>nd</sup> to Eversfield although there were only 3 and 6 points between the teams respectively. Hopefully the diving training the team will be undertaking this term will help make up those few points next time. Very well done indeed swimmers, and many thanks to Mr Barton for his continued, high quality coaching.

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you all so much for coming along to this coffee morning last week. An incredible £400.70 was raised on the morning. This sum was increased last weekend as a result of Lily P, 5B, Luke W, 3D and Nathan W, 3M, selling teas

coffee and cakes and raising a further £11.00. This was their own idea and they deserve to be highly commended for their efforts. Thank you everyone. A special thanks, also, to Mrs M Brown for her organisation and for Mrs Clinton, who retired last April, for returning to lend a hand as a volunteer. Well done everyone.

#### Attendance

Weekly Attendance	Class
EYFS Highest	RM - 100%
KS1 Highest	1K - 99.6%
LKS2 Highest	3D - 99.7%
UKS2 Highest	5B+6J - 100%
Whole school	97.6%

I am delighted with the children's continued high attendance. 5B and 6J had now achieved 100% for two weeks in a row! However, attendance has been lower each week for the last three weeks, so please do the best you can to ensure that children are in school and on time. Many, many thanks for your help and support.

#### Head's Classes of the Week

	Two Weeks Ago	Last Week
EYFS	RM	RC
KS1	2M	2M
LKS2	3B	3B
UKS2	5M	6W

#### Winners of the Weekly ATL Cup

Many congratulations to the children below for achieving the most ATL points last week.

KS1	James L, 2L
LKS2	Nathan W, 3M
UKS2	Evie H, 6J

#### Story Telling Week

The whole school have been celebrating story telling week by sharing stories and receiving visits from a REAL AUTHOR! The children have loved it. Many thanks to Miss Bains and Mrs Johnson for organising this. Blue Peter has a Storytelling Game on their website; children can change the story line,

add characters and change movements and emotions. If you would like to engage your son/daughter with this, visit <http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/games/bp-storyteller-game>.

Rugby V Solihull



Last week, children in Years 3 and 4 visited Solihull School to play both tag and full contact games. The photograph above is a lovely action shot and can be viewed by visiting [www.activepix.co.uk](http://www.activepix.co.uk). Year 3, playing their first tag rugby match, put in a fantastic performance and drew 6-6. Meanwhile, Year 4 continued their unbeaten run from last year with another very impressive win, 9-6, over very strong opposition. Very well done to all players.

#### Dinosaurs in the Curriculum

Year 3 children have very much enjoyed the last two weeks of their DT work on moving parts, culminating this week with some great models to view.

#### Forthcoming Events

PTA Quiz: Tonight

School Photographs: This Monday, 9<sup>th</sup>.

Remember you can have family photos from 8.00am, but be prepared for the queue!

Dad's Saclextric: Next Friday, 13<sup>th</sup>, book using ParentPay

Book Fair: 11<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup> October in the Atrium

Parents Evenings: 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October, book via

<https://bcps.parenteveningsystem.co.uk>.

Have a great weekend.

GT Burgess

**Robins**

Mason C, RC	Theo T, RM	Elsie A, RW	
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**Writers of the Week**

Pippa P, RM	Lucy H, 1K	Anna B, 2K	Trinity P, 2M
Safia M, RW	Samuel F, 1R	Annabel H, 2K	
Alex H, 1H	Alfie, 1B	Jenson L, 2P	

**Maths Wizards**

Mason C, RC	Hayden W, 1H	Beau, 1B	Rosie R, 2L	Tilly B, 2M
Elie C, RM	William G, 1K	Archie B, 2K	Amelia D, 2P	
Sam L, RW	Alex F, 1R	Finley H, 2K	Emily B, 2M	

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Oscar E, 1H	Rupert, 1B	Benjamin A, 2P	Chloe P, 3C	Joshua S 5M	Reiss S, 6J
Charlie - Bear B, 1K	Siena E, 2K	Henry H, 2M	Anya O, 3D	George M, 4C	Olivia J, 5B
Connie W-T, 1R	Gracie B, 2L	Lotie D, 3M	Joshua P, 3D	William McG, 4A	Alfie N, 5B
					Seoul C, 6W

**Diary Dates**

Key

	Class Assemblies/Performances etc
	INSET
	Parents'/Information evenings
	PTA
	Trips/visitors/dress-up days etc

<b>TONIGHT!</b>	PTA Chairs' Quiz (19.30)
	<b>BOOKS AND TARGETS HOME</b>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual & family photographs Reception Hearing Tests
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Y4 Egyptian Day (hall in use) EYFS Further Curriculum Information Evening (Nursery 18.00 Reception 18.30)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Travelling Book Fair (until the 18 <sup>th</sup> ) Individual & family photographs for Nursery (Wed-Fri only)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	5B Class Assembly Dads' Scalextric (19.30)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	PARENTS' EVENING
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	PARENTS' EVENING
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	5M Class Assembly Non-uniform for PTA - chocolate donations
<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Return to School
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Favourite Authors Day - dress up as favourite author or Harry Potter character
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	5P Class Assembly
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu vaccination nasal sprays - Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Y1 to Transport Museum (1B, 1H, 1K)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	1R to Transport Museum
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 to Space Centre
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Non-uniform and bottles for PTA
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	Nursery Nativities (am and pm)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	<b>DISCO</b>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal/Grandparents (9.30)

