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Dear Parents

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week

Last Week's Head's Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RC	5P	100%
KS1	2B	6B	100%
LKS2	3C	6B	100%
UKS2	5B	Whole School	97%

Three classes with 100% attendance last week! Very well done indeed!

ATL Points Cup Winners

Congratulations to Ethan T with 47 ATL's (4W) and Ellie-May with 35 ATL's (5B) each, the most ATL points earned individually last week.

Year 6 SATs

Year 6 demonstrated real maturity and a positive attitude towards these statutory assessments last week. The Year 6 staff cannot speak highly enough of the children's efforts. Thank you all for everything that you may well have been doing at home to foster this approach and for ensuring that the children were in school on time and ready for the tests.

Assessments

Children in Year 1-5 have also been involved in 'non-statutory' assessments, so a big well done to them and their teachers for all of their hard work last week too.

Miss Chloe's Animated Dance

A large number of our children performed at the Solihull Library Theatre earlier this week showing off some fantastic routines and dances. Mrs Clamp was in the audience and wishes to pass on her congratulations to everyone involved. She thoroughly enjoyed her evening.

String Explosion

Our Year 3 pupils, together with about 20 children from Year 4-6, who make up our school orchestra, performed alongside 500 other children at Warwick Arts Centre last Monday.

John Shepherd Select Estate Agents

Local Independent Estate Agent making a substantial commitment to BCPS over the long term. Call Matt Carroll on 01676 534411 to discuss your needs.

A huge number of parents have commented this year on how much they value the wider opportunities that we offer in school. The provision of music tuition for all children in Year 3, which is free of charge for parents, currently costs us £24,000 per year. It is something that we introduced about four years ago and something that we intend to continue to offer. The pupils themselves were fantastic. Thank you everyone for your continued support with regard to encouraging your son/daughter to practise and for supporting them at events such as this one. **The next big music event is the Summer Concert, in school on Tuesday 30th June at 6.00pm.**

Before and After School and Holiday Club

We have now made 11 new appointments and are ready to 'rock 'n roll!' Mr Barton has created an exciting timetable of events for the INSET Day and the school holiday, which I have attached with this newsletter. If you are interested in booking a place, telephone Lea Barton on 07496 014482 or email him on s2lbarton@balsall-common.solihull.sch.uk. The Before and After School provision starts on Monday 1st June at 7.30 and bookings are now being taken for the Summer Holidays! Bookings are being made more quickly now and we are delighted.

Tamworth Castle

Year 4 enjoyed a relatively warm and dry day yesterday at this castle, building on the learning that has taken place in the classroom. Thank you to the parent helpers who accompanied the children on this visit.

100% Attendance Badges

When we first started celebrating 100% attendance we initially gave out 90 badges. That was about three years ago. Since then, the number of children who have not missed a single day has grown to such an extent that we gave out a staggering **242** badges in Monday's assembly for 100% attendance during the Spring Term. The children are clearly making the effort to be in school every day, and this is clearly being supported

by yourselves. Thank you very much indeed and please say well done again to the children from me.

UKS2 Sports Day

We made a good decision to postpone this event earlier this week! We would all have been very wet. We will continue to watch the weather and make decisions about all forthcoming Sports Days as early as we can and let you know if one has been postponed. Fingers crossed for good weather!

Chess Hat Trick

Our talented chess players have improved every time they have played in our school tournament matches. This year's finalists, Ella S and William M, displayed high levels of strategic play, and the chess final could have been won by either of them. However, with only a few minutes of match time remaining, William won with 'check mate', becoming the school champion for the 3rd consecutive year. Very well played Ella and all of the other competitors, and congratulations to William, who I believe will now play me for the 3rd time! I will let you know the outcome!

Aviva and Bricks

As of today we have 1092 votes for our Sports Application through Aviva. I think we could get 7000 votes easily. You can register and vote with each email address you have. It takes about 10 minutes and is worth £5000. Please follow the link below and vote! <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/Project/View/2745>.

The latest batch of bricks have gone onto the wall and you can see it's starting to take shape. Please contact Howard Rose on s2hrose@balsall-common.solihull.sch.uk to get your name/family name onto our swimming pool wall.

Parent Governor Election

Our Board of Governors is looking to elect two new Parent Governors to start in September. Look out for details on your ParentPay email. Nominations to be sent in by Thursday 11 June.

Have a great half term break

GT Burgess

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Nursery - Ted & Toby Bear's Star of the Week Awards

Mrs Smith's Class - Daisy P & Finley

Miss Sargent's Class - Joseph & Henry

Robin's Stars of the Week

Aryan K, RW

Marcus H, Cherise M &, Henry J-B, RM

Lexi-Lou F, RC

Writer of the Week

Lily H & Harrison N, RC
 Eleanor M, 2B

Ella G & Daisy T, RW
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Freddie E, RM
 Jason K, 2D

Maths Wizard

Ellen C, 2B

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Hannah W, 2K

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Isabella M, 1M	Hugh H, 2D	James M, 3C	Charlie D, 4T	Emily W, 5W	Sophie O, 6B
-	Lucie M, 2B	Mitchell G, 3D.	Nicole B, 4W	-	Will Wr, 6W
-	-	Harriet G, 3P	Nicole W, 4J	-	Shannon B, 6K Ester W, 6K

DIARY DATES 2015

Thursday 21 May	Children break up for Inset Day and Half Term	
Monday 1 June	School returns Year 6 Isle of Wight until Friday 5 June	
Thursday 4 June	13:45	KS1 Sports Afternoon
Tuesday 9 June	17:15	Nursery New Parents Evening
	18:00	Reception New Parents Evening
Thursday 11 June	13:45	LKS2 Sports Afternoon
Friday 12 June	9:05	RC Class Assembly
	14:45	4J Class Assembly
Tuesday 16 June	13:45	Nursery & Reception Sports Afternoon
Friday 19 June	9:05	RW Class Assembly
	2:45	5W Class Assembly
Saturday 20 June	13:00-17:00	GALA DAY
Tuesday 23 June	Year 4	Dunfield House until Friday
Wednesday 24 June	Nursery	Umberlade Farm Park
Thursday 25 June	Year 3	Gurdwara, Leamington Spa
Friday 26 June	9:05	RM Class Assembly
	14:45	5P Class Assembly
	19:00	Dad's Scalextric Night
Friday 3 July	14:45	5B Class Assembly
Monday 6 July	16:30	Information meeting for new Y1 parents in hall
	17:30	Information meeting for new Y3 parents in hall
Wednesday 8 & Thursday 9 July	18:00	Y6 Production
Friday 10 July	INSET DAY	
Monday 13 July	Reports home to parents	
Tuesday 14 July	pm	Graduation for Nursery pm and M-W children
Thursday 16 July	am	Graduation for Nursery am and W-F children
Friday 17 July	09:10	Y2 Final Assembly
	14:30	Y6 Final KS2 assembly - no birthdays and no awards
	End of Term	

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