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School Newsletter



19th November 2021

Message from Mr T

Hello everyone,



Hope you are well. We have had a really busy few weeks in school with lots of exciting learning happening and a range of different trips and experiences that the children have loved! We have also had some VERY exciting news which I shared with you last week ... BCPS have been shorted listed for the Leicestershire Live Awards as ... SCHOOL OF THE YEAR!

We will be up against other great schools, but we know that this school is not only the school of the year....it is the school of all time! This is OUR school, and this nomination is the least the amazing children, incredible staff and wonderful community deserves. Thank you for everything you do for us and with us to make this school the best place for your children to learn and grow. We had a great time celebrating our nomination last Friday and you can watch our celebrations by linking on the click: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gaFuVj_UUcw

Kind regards, Mr T

Diary Dates

Swimming—Children in Year 6 who have starting swimming this half term—don't forget swimming kits EVERY THURSDAY.

Christmas Songs on the Playground—Thursday 16th December 2.45pm

End of term—Friday 17th December

Start of Spring Term—Wednesday 5th January

Attendance

We are keeping a very close eye on attendance and can't stress enough how important it is that children are in school everyday and on time.

If your child is off school please make sure you ring the school office to let them know ASAP.

Attendance Winners this week are ...

Foundation: Willow Class—98.1%

Key Stage 1: 2JP/LD—97.6%

Lower Key Stage 2: 4SW—97.4%

Upper Key Stage 2: 5BM—98.6%

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Our boy's football team have been doing us proud again this week. They played their next set of matches in the Boys Football League on Tuesday 16th November.

They played in 3 matches with a FANTASTIC outcome; winning 2 and drawing 1! Our goal keeper Tyler didn't let in a single goal!

Again, we had great feedback from the referee and Kyle our sports coach. Our boys were extremely well behaved and showed excellent sportsmanship; helping other players up when needed and showing respect to all involved at all times. Keep it up boys—we are excited to hear about your next matches!

SPORTS NEWS



It was great to see so many children and families supporting Children in Need today by coming to school in their pyjamas and non-uniform; making a donation to the charity.



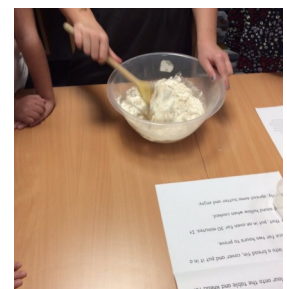
We feel it is really important to teach our children about charities and spreading the **care** in our school out into the world. **We managed to raise £248.83!!!**
Thank you for your generosity and contributions!



Year 2 ... Bready, steady, bake!



Year 2 have been learning all about where different foods and ingredients come from in their D&T lessons over the last week. They worked together to decide what ingredients and equipment they would need to make bread and the importance of kneading and proving. And on Tuesday afternoon they had a fantastic time baking, tasting and evaluating their very own bread loaves! Yuuuuuuuummy!



Year 1 visit Braunstone Park



Last Tuesday, Year 1 visited Braunstone Park as part of their Geography learning. They did lots of learning about the local area by going on a hunt around the park to spot lots of different features such as the pond and Winstanley House. Once the children had spotted everything on their lists; we stopped to draw a map of the park and tried to remember where everything went.

The children were so well behaved and it was a brilliant afternoon of exploring! The children will continue to learn about the local area back in school and create real maps of Braunstone Park now they know all about it.

They have also been comparing Braunstone Park to different parks from other countries to compare what is the same and what is different.





Foundation Stage 2 Diwali Day



Last week Oak and Willow class had a fantastic 'Diwali Day'. They spent the day learning all about the festival of Diwali and listened to the story of Rama and Sita; making diva lamps to celebrate the festival of light. They had a visitor who explained how she celebrates Diwali showing lots of special jewelry and sharing family photos. The children tried lots of different Indian foods like popadoms and mango chutney and had lots of fun Diwali dancing and making music with Indian instruments. They also drew mehndi patterns and created colorful rangoli patterns on the playground.



Year 6 Trip to the Warning Zone

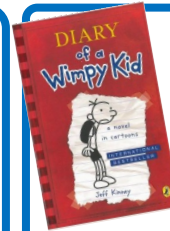
Last week our Year 6 pupils had a fantastic and very informative trip to the Warning Zone; a day of learning how to stay safe, manage risks and the consequences that can arise.

They took part in lots of activities that helped them to learn about staying safe on the internet and applied all their knowledge about online safety to a game of 'Who wants to be an e-safety Millionaire'. Year 6 also got to learn some essential life lessons about railway safety and about water, river and canal safety too.

Again, we received brilliant comments from all staff that went on the trip and from the staff working at the warning zone about how mature, well behaved and polite our children were. A credit to BCPS!



Author Experience



This week our Year 2 and Year 6 pupils were SUPER excited to meet (virtually) the amazing author of the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' books Jeff Kinney. They were given a sneak peak at some of the papers in the new Diary of a Wimpy Kid book and Jeff even showed the children how he draws the character Greg in the books. An brilliant experience; inspiring some of our budding authors!



Parking at School



Parking update for Wellinger Way and Cort Crescent

We have been in talks with the Leicester City Council about ideas to improve parking near to the school. Our ideas have been formally sent off and the report will now go to the City Mayor. The next step after this would be a public consultation.

Polite reminders:

- It is illegal to park on the zig zag lines on Wellinger Way, the council can issue PCN (Penalty Charge Notices) if anyone is caught doing this
- You will have also noticed that the local Police are now monitoring the area as well and can also report this through to the Leicester City Council
- Please avoid turning round in the road. The street is very narrow and then it stops the flow of traffic.
- Please avoid double parking on the street as this blocks the road and also makes it very dangerous for adults and children crossing

If you feel that you need to raise any parking issues with Leicester City Council- here are the contact details.

Parking Enforcement (Leicester City Council) Telephone: 0116 299 5063 E-mail: parking-enforcement@leicester.gov.uk

Once again, thank you for your support. It has been great to talk to many of you about the issues and it is clear that you want to work with us to keep our children, parents and community safe.



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BCPS Advisory Board—We need you!

Like every school, at BCPS we have an advisory board (formerly known as governors). This is group of people that help to make the school an even better place for our children.

We are looking for parents to join our advisory board! This would include attending 4 meetings a year and an engagement day where you would get a chance to come into school and see all the learning taking place.

If you would like any further information or if you are interested in becoming a member; please contact the school office.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Anti Bullying Week

This week has been anti-bullying week and the children started the week with an assembly from Mrs Wallis around this year's theme—'One Kind Word'.



Lots of our children continued to think about what words they can use to make sure people feel cared about and how they can

continue to prevent bullying from happening in our school.