

Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter

Friday 21st November 2025



A message from Miss Whittingham: the weather has certainly turned a lot colder this week. Luckily, the new boilers were installed and working just in time for the start of the cold snap! I attended a Northwich Education Partnership (NEP) meeting on Tuesday morning; we discussed some of the upcoming events for the children to take part in. Yesterday, My School Improvement Partner (SIP) visited for our first termly meeting. We had lots to discuss. He was very impressed with the behaviour of the children - including their learning behaviours. I was, as always very proud.

Year 5/6 have enjoyed being able to take their brass instruments home and developing their musical skills this week. In Year 3/4 we have completed our Stone Age to Iron Age unit. The children have all remembered the key information. KS1 and EYFS have been working hard to learn the songs for the Nativity - they sound lovely!

Children in Need: thank you everyone for your support and donations. We raised £75 which has been sent to Children in Need.

Christmas Fair: this will be held in the school hall again this year. The running of it will be taken on by the Year 5/6 children. The date for the Fair is Friday 5th December from 2:00 pm. Thank you in advance for your support.

Byley Christmas Tree Festival: this is being held over the weekend of 6/7th December. There will be Christmas tree entry from school. We have been asked for some children to sing at the Festival on the Sunday afternoon. I will be sending out a letter next week.

Head Lice and nits: we have unfortunately had some reports of head lice in school again. Please check your children's hair regularly. Please be aware that there is no need to buy expensive shampoos to get rid of any infestation. Using conditioner and combing through your child's hair, at least weekly, with a nit comb will effectively remove the lice and eggs (nits). Please follow the link to the NHS website for more information: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>

Reading: please continue to encourage your child to read at home. Every Monday morning, children's reading diaries are taken in. If a child has read 3 or 4 times in the week, they get 1 spot on their chart. If they have read 5 times or more, they get 2 spots. Once they reach 20 spots, they will receive a certificate in our Friday Celebration Assembly. Reading regularly - or being read to - very much supports children with developing their understanding, confidence, reading fluency and writing. Well done to the children receiving their Bronze awards today.

Thank you for your continuing support, Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)

Our Weekly Attendance Figures

Whole School - 95%

Reception - 96%

Years 1/2 - 96%

Years 3/4 - 92%

Years 5/6 - 96%

Well done to **Year 2** for achieving 100% attendance this week!

School Dinners

Please remember dinner money is now **£2.95** and paid via

PARENTPAY

3-week menus are on the school website.

Next Week's Lunch Menu: **Week 3**

Cost for the 8 weeks the children are in school - **Autumn 2**

Daily £2.95

Weekly £14.75

Half term £103.25 (35 days)

Important Diary Dates:

Thurs 27th Nov School Nursing Team - Flu Vaccine - whole school

Fri 28th Nov Donations to the Christmas Fair:

EYFS/KS1 - multipack of sweets / KS2 -chocolate for the Tombola

Weds 3rd Dec Christmas Jumper Day - donations of:

EYFS -Cakes/Biscuits / KS1-Mince Pies/Festive treats / KS2 -Bottle for Tombola

Fri 5th Dec Christmas Fair - 2pm- 4:30pm in school hall

Tues 9th Dec EYFS/KS1 Nativity - 1:45pm in hall

Wed 10th Dec EYFS/KS1 Nativity - 6:30pm in hall

Tues 16th Dec KS2 Carol Concert - 2:30pm in hall

Wed 17th Dec KS2 Carol Concert - 6:30pm in hall

Thurs 18th Dec Pantomime - Grange Theatre, Northwich - whole school - 9am

Fri 19th Dec Break for Christmas Holiday

FAB (Friends At Byley)

Please help raise funds for our school by checking out through the easy fundraising website. It's easy to do and costs nothing. Go to the link:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/byleypta/

Click on support cause and then create an account. This means you can then visit thousands of websites through the easyfundraising site and the retailers will make a small donation to the FAB.

You can also set up reminders on your toolbar so that when you visit one of the named sites it will ask you if you want to donate - this will not cost you ANYTHING and saves you visiting easyfundraising to see your chosen shopping site is listed.

Any funds the FaB make go straight back into making our school an even better learning environment for our children, so any help is greatly appreciated.

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