

Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter

Friday 27th February 2026



A message from Miss Whittingham: what a lovely first week back. It is beginning to feel like spring is in the air. It is lovely to have the lighter mornings and evenings - Nellie and I did our first walk to school of the year today!

Lunchtime Stars: I very much enjoyed having lunch with Sidney today. I am looking forward to having lunch with more children over the next few weeks. Well done for reaching your 10 stars!

Little Princess Trust: Lois - our Head Girl last year - is donating her hair to the Princess Trust at the end of March. Please donate, if you can, to support Lois and this fabulous charity by following the link: https://www.justgiving.com/page/rebecca-gate-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM

Byley Busy Buddies: as written in the letter emailed out earlier in the week, we are stopping the sibling rate at Breakfast and After School club as from 1st April.

Parking: we are aware of recent issues caused by lorries parking in the layby and obstructing the pavement. We have informed the PCSO who has been out to school and is monitoring the situation. In the meantime, please can I ask that you:

- remain mindful when parking. I know it can be tricky, particularly at pick up, but please do be aware of children and families walking back to cars, crossing the road etc.
- do not park in the staff car park. There is not a lot deal of room and staff are arriving and leaving throughout the day.

Reading at home: well done to children receiving their reading certificates today. It has been great to see so many children continuing to read at home and work towards getting their certificates. Many children are already well on the way to getting their Gold Award. This means that they have read at least 5 times a week since we came back to school in September. Please continue to encourage your child to read at home. Reading regularly - or being read to - very much supports children with developing their understanding, confidence, reading fluency and writing.

School Council: there was a meeting this week with Mrs Hampshire. We are currently fundraising so we can replace the iPads and laptops in school. The School Council have been thinking of ways to support the fundraising - keep an eye out for information about events over the next few months.

FaB Quiz: March 27th in the School Hall. Don't forget to purchase your tickets. Information was emailed out earlier in the week. Thank you for your continuing support, Elizabeth Whittingham (Head teacher)

Our Weekly Attendance Figures

Whole School - 96%

Reception - 92%
Years 1/2 - 100%
Years 3/4 - 99%
Years 5/6 - 94%

Well done to Year 1 and 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 2**

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

Daily	£2.95
Weekly	£14.75
Half term	£85.55 (29 days)

Important Diary Dates:

Wed 4 - Fri 6 Mar Year 5/6 Residential to Whitehall

Thurs 5th Mar World Book Day - children can come into school dressed up as their favourite characters from a book.

Mon 9th Mar EYFS - Learn with Me - Maths - 9am in school

Thurs 12th Mar Years 1/2 - Learn with Me - Maths - 9am in school

Mon 16th Mar Years 5/6 - Learn with Me - Maths - 9am in school

Tues 17th Mar Parents Evening - 4pm -7pm - more info to follow

Thurs 19th Mar Parents Evening - 3:30pm- 5:30pm - more info to follow

Fri 20th Mar Odd Sock Day - more info to follow

Weds 25th Mar Years 3/4 - Learn with Me - Maths - 9am in school

Fri 27th Mar Break for Easter Holidays at 3:20pm

FaB Quiz Night - starts at 6pm in school hall - (doors open at 5:30pm)

Mon 13th April School reopens at 8:40am

Thurs 16th -

Fri 17th April Year 3/4 Residential to PettyPool

Friends at Byley (FaB)

Parents are invited to join the Parents of Baileys Facebook page and the all-years Messenger group. It's a friendly space where we help each other with homework questions, spelling, missing items, reminders, and updates throughout the year. We also share notices about class collections, including the one happening now, so everyone can easily chip in and stay connected.

Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/646156772154250/?ref=share>

If you are not on messenger we can add anyone from the parent page. Link above.

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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