

Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter

Friday 17th July 2026



A message from Miss Whittingham: here we are at the end of another school year - and what a year it has been! I am so proud to be the Headteacher of a school where the strength of the school community and the support from parents continues to be amazing. Thank you again for this - it is why Byley Primary School and Nursery is such a fabulous place to be a part of - for children and staff.

Goodbye: Today, we said goodbye to our Year 6 children who are ready for the next step of their journey. We had a lovely Leavers' Assembly on last night. We know they will go onto their secondary schools as independent and resilient young people who will continue to make their families proud. We are certainly very proud of them. We wish each and every one of them lots of luck and hope they keep in touch to let us know how they are getting on.

We also said goodbye to Miss Sobutta. Miss Sobutta joined the school 10 years ago as a Teaching Assistant. She has been a very important part of Team Byley ever since. We are going to miss Miss Sobutta. She has asked me to pass on her thanks for all the cards, gifts, hugs and kind words. She really appreciated it

Reading Challenge: Please continue to encourage your child to read at home during the holiday. Don't forget, the Library Reading Challenge is now on and lasts all summer. Reading for 20 minutes at least three times a week can make such a difference to a child's word recognition, fluency, understanding and confidence.

Thank you: for all the lovely cards, gifts, good wishes and kind words, it is very kind and very much appreciated. I hope you all enjoy a lovely summer. I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in September.

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

Our Weekly Attendance Figures Whole School - 96%

Reception - 93%

Years 1/2 - 100%

Years 3/4 - 97%

Years 5/6 - 91%

Well done to Years 1 & 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 1**

Cost for the 7 weeks the children are in school - **Autumn 1**

Daily £2.95

Weekly £14.75

Half term £109.15

Important Diary Dates:

Tues 1st Sept

INSET - training day for staff

Weds 2nd Sept

Children return to school

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.

If you need any more information, please contact: Catherine Peake-Wildman wildmanc19@yahoo.co.uk



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