



newsletter

16.3.25

Head of school's comment:

This week, a number of children have participated in a range of sporting activities, a variety of design and technology sessions and a repertoire of clubs. We announced the winners of the academy handwriting competition, Year 2 have completed their summative tests and, as the weather has started to improve, there have been further opportunities for children to learn outside.

Important Dates:

21.3.25 Comic Relief Day

31.3.25 Training Day

2.4.25 Eid afternoon

2.4.25 and 3.4.25 Parents Evening

22-23rd April Year 5 Residential

12.5.25 Year 6 SATs

2.6.25 Year 4 Multiplication Times
Table Check

22.7.25 School closes

Mathematics fluency:

Each child from Years 1 - 6 practice weekly fluency tasks as part of their maths curriculum. In order to develop their fluency, children would benefit from daily opportunities to improve their maths fluency. This can be achieved through interactive games, counting, songs, or practice tests. Please see your child's class teacher for further information and how to best support your child's learning.

Attendance

Reception 95.06%

Year 1 92.86%

Year 2 95.75%

Year 3 95.33%

Year 4 97.83%

Year 5 93.65%

Year 6 96.62%

Well done to this week's winners:
Year 4 with highest attendance and
most improved attendance.



The school's local church: All Saints Church of Batley, is developing a number of opportunities for the local community to engage with. There is a church gardening club and a choir that children can participate in. Furthermore, the Sunday school welcomes families to join in with a range of activities and will be advertising future events soon - look out for further details in the coming weeks!

Class News

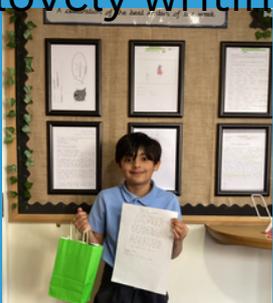
Year 6 have been making the most of the sunny weather by honing their Tag rugby skills on the school field.

Nursery children have been discussing challenges and how to overcome them. Furthermore, all children as part of My Happy Mind sessions have been further developing their understanding of gratitude.

Reception children have been exploring different art techniques - I wonder how many ways they discovered how to stick card together?



Nursery have been learning from more visitors; this week, a parent helper attended to teach the children all about the festival of Holi. Well done, to our handwriting superstar who managed to receive a prize for the best handwriting in his age group across the trust. Although Reception had a scary dinosaur visitor this week, it has helped to produce some lovely writing. Year 3 have been busy continuing PE fitness sessions and testing different materials for sunglasses as part of a discussion about sun safety.



Curriculum News: Attendance has a direct influence on your child's attainment and ability to thrive at school. Consequently, our attendance team will be continuing to meet with a number of families who have a child that has attendance below 90% (Persistently absent) or close to 90% attendance. Below are some statements that outline how many days will make your child persistently absent:

Half term 1: 3 1/2 days off school (September to October half term)

Half term 1-2: 7 days off school (September to Christmas holidays)

Half term 1-3: 10 days off school (September to February half term)

Half term 1-4: 12 1/2 days off school (September to Easter holidays)

Half term 1-5: 15 1/2 days off school (September to May half term)

Half term 1-6: 19 days off school (September to July)

Clubs: Having passed the half way point of the year, our latest club: Gardening Club, started this week. Children from all year groups were invited to plant trees and get a bit muddy! In addition to this, our sports clubs continue to thrive as currently we have a number of children accessing football and rugby.

Art club and yarn club are another two clubs which have grown in recent popularity with both children and adults



If you are interested in becoming a lunchtime volunteer then please see our office staff.

A reminder regarding school uniform. On the days when your child takes part in PE they may come dressed to school in PE clothing: a white T shirt, navy hoody, navy shorts or jogging bottoms and black shoes. Please do not bring clothes with sporting logos on.

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, a reminder to ensure that it is a healthy and balanced meal meaning no chocolate bars. Your child is also entitled to bring a water bottle from home to ensure they are hydrated throughout the day. Furthermore, during our Eid afternoon: 2.4.25, the children will have a special Eid themed menu to try.

Remember, if your child has a particular talent outside of school that has resulted in a sporting or academic achievement they would like to share then please inform your child's class teacher as this can be shared during our celebration assembly each Friday.