



NEWSLETTER

22.12.24

Head of school's comment: During the last week of Autumn term at Batley Parish, we welcomed many parents and carers into school to watch Nativity performances from our Early Years and KS1 children. This is always a highlight of the primary school calendar, and it was lovely to see a lot of families enjoying the performances, mince pies, hot drinks and the raffle ticket draw. We ended the week with our usual church service bringing an end to a busy but exciting term.

Extra Curricular clubs:

Important Dates:

6.1.25 Training Day

14.1.25 SEND Coffee Morning
9:30am

11.2.25 Year 6 Swimming
starts

31.3.25 Training Day

2.4.25 and 3.4.25 Parents
Evening

12.5.25 Year 6 SATs

2.6.25 Year 4 Multiplication
Times Table Check

22.7.25 School closes

As we start a new calendar year we are very excited to announce there will continue to be a range of additional clubs on offer in Spring term ranging from Lego Club, Lunchtime club, Knitting club, Games club and Sports Clubs. Look out for the letters being sent out so that reply slips can be returned if you are interested in any of the above activities.

Attendance

Reception 74.34%

Year 1 92.00%

Year 2 91.54%

Year 3 95.00%

Year 4 90.00%

Year 5 86.21%

Year 6 90.42%

Well done to this week's winners:
Year 3 who have the highest
attendance and Year 1 with the most
improved.

Our behaviour system rewards individuals through the use of Dojos, allowing children to save them up to then spend on items in the mobile Dojo shop each Friday. However, whole classes can also receive prizes for reaching a particular whole class target. This week, Year 6 had the opportunity to play blind football and Year 2 played on the KS2 play equipment as they reached their class targets.



Class News

During the last week, each class has enjoyed a party day. Every child had the opportunity to perform some dance moves in the hall, take part in party games and eat some party food. Below Year 5 took part in a Christmas quiz, musical statues, pass the parcel and a Christmas film. Reception too enjoyed playing pass the parcel as part of their party day in which children could wear Non-uniform party clothes.

Year 2 have been exploring materials and testing which ones could twist, bend and squash! They continued their investigations as they explored waterproof materials later in the week.



Year 2 and 1 loved putting their KS1 performance on for families watching. Early Years children too put on a performance for their families and then used their acting skills to support part of the church service.

Reception have been exploring transient art by making collages. Year 1 have been observing the changes in the weather, identifying the changes in the season and the impact on the environment.



Curriculum News:

During the last week, many children across school have been receiving their most recent summative assessments back. This will help inform teachers about potential gaps in learning to be addressed moving forward. For some of the children in Year 6 this may mean additional intervention opportunities before or during school as they prepare for their SATs in May.

Our English lead: Mrs Gundill, has been replenishing our reading areas across school including our passport book display. We hope that your child continues their reading across the holiday period as they look to complete their individual reading books or phonics book.

On Tuesday 14th January 2024 Batley Parish will be hosting an SEND coffee morning at 9:30am via the school's main entrance. There will be an opportunity to discuss SEND paperwork, SEND register, attendance, and out of school support. There will be a member of the Early Help Team in attendance too. If you have any questions regarding any of these matters please come along and take part.



We wish you a wonderful, enjoyable and restful festive period.

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.

Recently, communication was provided to parents and carers about how to support your child's My Happy Mind learning by accessing some parental resources; we hope you enjoy learning about some of the techniques! Well done to the two children from each class who were chosen as our My Happy Mind Heroes.

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.