

# Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023



## A message from Miss Whittingham:

There have been a lot of great things going on in school this week. I have been VERY impressed by the writing and phonics work in Year 1/2 today - some amazing work. It is so lovely to see the huge progress made from mark-making when they first come to school to writing full sentences and stories in Year 1/2.

**Trim Trail:** this was completed this week. The whole school went outside on Thursday morning to have an official opening ceremony. All the children have been able to go on it and have absolutely loved it- a big 'double thumbs up' from everyone!

**Macmillan Coffee Afternoon:** this is next week - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September. It will start at 2pm in the school hall. Come along to have a cup of coffee, or tea, and a delicious cake whilst having a chat with other parents. **Please bring any cake donations in to school in the morning of 29<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!**

**RAAC:** a structural engineer came out to school - on behalf of Cheshire West and Chester - to conduct a confirmatory assessment. This has confirmed that all documents and information held is correct and there is NO RAAC in school.

**Byley Family Day and Fun Dog Show:** this is tomorrow - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. These are always lovely community events. Details have been sent out with the newsletter. I hope to see you there!

**Forest School:** the Year 3/4 and some Year 5/6 children have had their first Forest School sessions with Mr Smith. They were all very engaged with the sessions and are very much looking forward to next week.

**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.

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

## Our Weekly Attendance Figures

**Whole School - 95.7%**

Reception - 100%

Years 1/2 - 91.7%

Years 3/4 - 94.8%

Years 5/6 - 96.3%

Well done to our Reception class  
for 100% attendance this week!

## School Dinners

Please remember dinner money is now **£2.55** 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                   £2.55

Weekly:               £12.75

Half term             £84.15 (33 days)

## Important Diary Dates:

Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon @2pm in the school hall.
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct.	School Photos (siblings welcome) - more info to follow
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Y3/4 Maths Learn With Me
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y5/6 Maths Learn With Me
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Open evening @6:30 - prospective parents for Reception '24
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Open afternoon - prospective parents for Reception '24
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' Evenings via schoolcloud 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' Evenings via schoolcloud 4:00pm - 6:00p
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	School closes for half term
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Children back in school
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Y1/2 Maths Learn With Me
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	EYFS Maths Learn With Me

## Byley Busy Buddies

The new booking and payment system (ParentPay) is now up and running. Any issues accessing it please contact the school office.

Prices : Breakfast Club £4/£2.50 (sibling) per session  
After School Club £7.50/£5 (sibling) per session

## PTA

The PTA needs your support to be able to continue with events and raise money to support the school. It is also a great way to get involved in school life and get to know other parents.

Over the next few weeks, information will be sent out with the date and time of the next meeting.

It would be great to see as many new and familiar faces as possible!

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/](http://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 PTA.

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 PTA 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](mailto:wildmanc19@yahoo.co.uk)

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