# Byley Primary School and Nursery - Newsletter



# Friday 15th November 2024

A message from Miss Whittingham: it has been a busy week. I attended the Heads' Conference on Monday. This is where many of the Headteachers from Cheshire (West and East) meet. There was a very good speaker during the morning session - Jason Bangbala, a leading education consultant. He talked mainly about behaviour in schools, especially dealing with low level disruption. It made me feel very proud when I thought of the behaviour we have at Byley. We had some visitors in school yesterday to talk to the staff and governors about academies. I gave them a tour of the school - they were very impressed by everything they saw and heard. The KS2 School Council and Head Students then asked our visitors some questions, impressing them very much.

Learn With Me: the Y3/4 session went very well yesterday - again, we had some lovely feedback. There was a great turn out - thank you! Thank you to all the staff for preparing and presenting the Maths Learn With Me sessions. The English sessions will take place during the Spring Term with Science planned for the summer.

**Remembrance Day:** Our Head Students proudly represented Byley at the parade and service on Sunday. Lois and Cameron laid the wreath on behalf of school. There is a photo at the end of the Newsletter.

Children in Need Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November: it has been lovely to see the children in their different clothes today to raise money for Children in Need. They have all taken part in their different class challenges over the last 3 days too. Many have completed laps of the playground or MUGA. Well done and thank to everyone for your support.

Middlewich Christmas Light Switch-on: this is due to take place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. As last year, all children are invited to join in with a mixed schools' choir. As Jeremy has now left, this is being organised by the High School. We will be practising the songs at school. We are due to sing at around 1: 00; meeting at the Bull Ring in Middlewich at 12:45. The children taking part should be in school uniform and can wear something Christmassy - tinsel/headband/hat etc. All children are invited.

Christmas Fair: this will be held in the school hall again this year. We are hoping that the main running of it will be taken on by the Year 5/6 children with support from Friends of Byley. The provisional date we have is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 2:30 pm. We will send out more information over the next few weeks.

Roof: as you will have seen, the roof works are well underway and tiling has now started. The children in the mobile classrooms have continued to be brilliant in their new learning areas. They are behaving fabulously (as always) and working very hard. Well done! Thank you for your continuing support, Elizabeth Whittingham (Headteacher)

#### Our Weekly Attendance Figures

Whole School - 93.3%

Reception - 93.6% Years 1/2 - 91.1% Years 3/4 - 93.8%

Years 5/6 - 94.6%

### 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 2

Cost for the 7 weeks the children are in school - Autumn 2

Daily £2.55
Weekly: £12.75
Half term £89.25

#### **Important Diary Dates:**

Tues 10th Dec EYFS/KS1 Nativity afternoon performance - 1:45 pm

Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Dec Panto - Peter Pan - Grange Theatre, Northwich - whole school

Weds 11th Dec EYFS/KS1 Nativity evening performance - 6:30 pm

Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Fair - 2:30pm in school hall - more info to follow

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec KS2 Carol Concert afternoon performance - more info to follow

Weds 18th Dec KS2 Carol Concert Evening performance - more info to follow

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec Break for Christmas holidays - 3:20pm Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 INSET Day - school closed to pupils

Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan Children back in school - 8:40am

# 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 £5/£3.50 (sibling) per session After School Club £9.50/£8 (sibling) per session





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For young people 0-25 with Special Educational Needs or Disability

### FOB (Friends of Byley)

FOB 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.

The first meeting of this new academic year will be this Monday 11th November at 2:30pm in school.

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/

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

Any funds the FOB 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

