



Notices

Date: 16th July 2021

Key Dates:

- 19th July—Year 6 leavers Party Day
- 20th July—Year 6 Outdoor production.
- 21st July—Nursery Leavers Celebration
- 21st July—School closes at 1pm.

I can't believe we are now approaching the summer holidays. This year has gone so quickly in many ways. I would like to thank all our families for working with us throughout all the changes and disruptions this year. Your support has made this difficult year much easier and helped to keep our whole community safe. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank all of the staff. Every single one of them has gone above and beyond for the children and our community and I could not ask for more. Finally, but by definitely no means least, I would like to thank all the children. I have been incredibly proud of how they have adapted to the ever changing situation. Every single one of them has been a real credit to their families and the school. We are so proud of them!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a well deserved summer break. I hope you all get to spend some enjoyable and memorable moments with family and friends. I wish you all a safe and healthy holidays.

Ms Martin

Lost Property

We have gained a huge amount of unnamed lost property. This is all out on the tables in the turning circle for you to look through at pick up times.

Anything not claimed by Next Tuesday evening will be donated to charity.

Please ensure all your child's uniform for September has their name in it so that if they do put it down somewhere we can try and get it back to them.

Step 4

As you will be aware, the Government have announced step 4 of the roadmap will commence from Monday 19th July. In regards to schools, the DFE have stated to maintain the procedures and risk assessments in place for the remainder of the term. In Buckinghamshire, as in other parts of the country, Covid infection rates are climbing steeply, especially among younger people. As a result, we will not be making any changes ahead of the summer holidays in order to minimise any disruptions to the last few days and the beginning of the holidays.

We do ask that if your child is unwell and has any of the identified symptoms that you all book a PCR test. The latest variant seems to have resulted in most positive cases reporting a severe headache more than a cough or temperature, so this is just something to be aware of.

Throughout the Summer we will be monitoring the local climate and completing our next phase of risk assessments ahead of September. I will then update you as to any changes that we are making as a school going forward.



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Olympic athlete

Last week, the children were extremely fortunate to have a visit from an Olympic Athlete. Peter Bakare has represented his country in lots of tournaments, but most famously he played Volleyball in the London 2012 Olympics.

To begin with, he put all the children through their paces with a fitness circuit. The children were able to cheer each other on and were very tired by the end of it! Afterwards, all the children had a talk from Peter. He spoke to the children about how he became a professional basketball and volleyball player. He was incredibly inspirational and told the children about all the set backs he had encountered through training, including a broken foot, but that with determination and perseverance he knew he would be able to get to London 2012.

Peter began playing basketball at the age of 10. He lived in a deprived area close to where lots of Monks had arrived from America. The monks were there to hand out food and to help support families. They set up homeless shelters and a concrete basketball courts for the children to play. At the age of 18, his basketball coach asked him to train in volleyball. He explained how he wasn't very good at volleyball to start with and he would often get frustrated at himself and he wanted to give up as people were laughing at him over all the mistakes he made. He repeated to the children the words his coach had said to him at the time - "whenever you hear yourself saying I can't, say I can't do it yet!" The children were so inspired by this and by the end of the talk we were all shouting "I can't do it yet!"

Afterwards the children were able to ask him lots of questions and he very kindly wrote all the children of Bierton School a signed inspiration message to take home.





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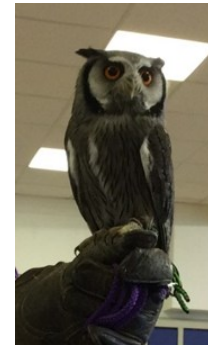
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Teaching Talons

Last week we were visited by the Dawn and Russ from Teaching Talons and they brought along some special visitors for the KS1 and Early Years children. First of all we were introduced to some creatures who live on the forest floor. We met two very large cockroaches, a millipede and some giant African Land Snails. Next, we met what looked like a white hedgehog but Dawn and Russ, the animal handlers, were very impressed with how many children knew it was a Tenrek. The stars of the show were definitely Pigwidgeon, a Southern White Faced Owl and 2 Western Hinge-back tortoises who made a tour of the children, making sure that they got plenty of attention.

Throughout the visit we learned about what is happening to the rainforest and what we can do to make sure that we purchase things that are from sustainable forests. Don't be surprised if your children are actively looking for the sustainable forest logos the next time you go shopping.

The children were very excited to meet and handle the animals and it's definitely an experience they will never forget.





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Times Table Rock Stars and NumBots Weekly Awards

Results from 9th July 2021



Highest Number of Coins

- 1st: Mithunika P (Ash)
- 2nd: Mirthika P (Alder)
- 3rd: Ajen P (Alder)

Passed the next stage:

- Tin:** Ajen P (Alder); George I (Ash); Carter C (Birch)
- Brass:** Arnas G (Ash)
- Steel:** Elira V (Blackthorn)
- Tungsten:** Mirthika P (Alder); Mithunika P (Ash)
- Bronze:** Pranshu D (Birch)



Top Classes

(percentage of pupils using Times Table Rock Stars)

- 1st: Hawthorn
- 2nd: Hazel
- 3rd: Holly

Highest Number of Coins

- 1st: Joseph S O (Hawthorn)
- 2nd: Dexter S (Hazel)
- 3rd: Leah J (Hazel)

Most Improved Studio

Speed

- 1st: Grace N (Hawthorn)
- 2nd: Musa K (Cherry)
- 3rd: Dexter S (Hazel)



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- 1st: Mirthika P (Alder)
- 2nd: Mithunika P (Ash)
- 3rd: Ajen P (Alder)

Passed the next stage:

- Iron:** Dexter B (Chestnut).
- Tin:** Annabel H, Issy M (Chestnut).
- Brass:** Ajen P (Alder).
- Copper:** Keon B (Birch); Maxwell S (Blackthorn).
- Aluminium:** Mirthika P (Alder); Mithunika P (Ash).

Top Classes

(percentage of pupils using Times Table Rock Stars)

- 1st: Hawthorn
- 2nd: Chestnut
- 3rd: Hazel



Highest Number of Coins

- 1st: Joseph S O (Hawthorn)
- 2nd: Riley O'H (Hawthorn)
- 3rd: Dexter S (Hazel)

Most Improved Studio Speed

- 1st: Finch G (Hawthorn)
- 2nd: Callie P (Hazel)
- 3rd: Grace N (Hawthorn)

2020 - 2021 Yearly Awards



Highest Number of Coins

- 1st: Inayah A (Cedar)
- 2nd: Pranshu D (Birch)
- 3rd: David F (Cherry)



Highest Number of Coins

- 1st: Reon A (Hazel)
- 2nd: Suhani M (Hazel)
- 3rd: Finch G (Hawthorn)

Highest Studio Speed

- 1st: Reon A (Hazel)
- 2nd: Tommy S (Cherry)
- 3rd: Micah F (Chestnut)