

Bure Park Primary School Newsletter

19th April 2024



School Value for the Term: Kindness

Welcome back to term 5 – I cannot believe how fast the year is going! The children came back into school and settled into their learning very quickly with Year 3 and 4 both having topic days to start the term – Year 3 Celts and Year 4 rainforests. Year 2 have been to Selly Manor and the Nursery had a spring walk. Our Arts Ambassadors have had a flag making workshop with a local artist. It has been a busy week!

This term we are trialling blocking the wider curriculum areas in the afternoons, such as science, history and geography. This will mean that the children will have two to three weeks on a curriculum area – so that they can become immersed in a subject rather than follow the traditional model of one lesson weekly for 6 weeks. This has worked very successfully in Year 1 this year and we have found that its improved knowledge and engagement.

Clubs will start next week and we hope that the new on-line system has been more useful for you when booking clubs. Many thanks to all staff who have volunteered their time this term to run an extra-curricular activity.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

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Makaton Sign of the Week

This week's sign is **'To Know'**!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #WeTalkMakaton.



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Buddies News

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter raffle. This raised £262.

The winners were:

1st Raidyn - Year 2

2nd Florence - Year 2

3rd Ralph – Reception

We hope they enjoyed their prizes!

We were also pleased to be able to donate Easter treats to everyone who took part in the parades. Thanks also to local business IMS and a couple of school parents who offered donations of Easter eggs. And in one of our more unusual funding requests, we were delighted to help support a new guinea pig for Year 1 (Dolly 'Buddy' Holly Parton). We hope Dolly settles into her new home comfortably.

We still have pitches available for the car boot sale. It will take place on the school car park on Saturday, 27th April, from 12pm to 3pm.

Cars / pitches are £10 each - please email bureparkpta@gmail.com to book yours before the end of this week. We hope to see you there.

Finally, make sure to put Saturday, July 13 in your diary for this year's summer fayre.

Buddies

Focus on Nursery

The nursery children went on a walk around the school grounds on Tuesday to look for signs of Spring. We found tadpoles in our pond, blossom on trees, new shoots and buds on trees and shrubs, daffodils and bluebells. We listened to the birds singing and experienced some April showers first hand!

Mrs Harris



Selly Manor Visit – Year 2

On Wednesday the children in Year 2 visited Selly Manor in Birmingham to experience what life was like at the time of The Great Fire of London, in 1666.

The children took part in drama activities, played old fashioned games and explored the house. Whilst on the trip the children demonstrated a great historical understanding which they shared with the staff at Selly Manor.

The children had a great day, as did the adults, and we are very proud of their behaviour.

Miss Batram



Thomas Trip to Milan

Thomas in Year 4 has had an amazing opportunity to play football in a tournament in Italy. He has written the following report to share his experience. Well done Thomas!

During the Easter holiday I flew to Milan, Italy with my Junior Premier League football team, Oxfordshire Regional Team Centre (RTC) to play in an international tournament called the Yes Cup. There were 18 different countries including USA, Australia, India and Romania taking part and we were in the U10 category in a group with a team from Italy and 2 teams from Serbia.

After leaving Heathrow on Thursday we headed straight to the venue for the Opening ceremony which was broadcast live on YouTube and a great chance for all the players to meet each other. The Friday was the first day of football. Our first match was against the Italian team Pro Patria. We only had 5 players so for all the games we had to “borrow” 3 Italian players from a different team. This was difficult as none of them spoke English and none of us spoke Italian but we made it work! The first game we were off to a flying start and won the game 6-4. Our second game this day was against FK Olimpik Beograd from Serbia. This was a tough game against a tough group of boys and quite a physical match and unfortunately, we lost 1-11.

Saturday started with another match against the other Serbian team FK Novante B, again this was a very strong team and we again lost, this time 1-6. Saturday afternoon was an opportunity for all of us and our families to head into Milan and do some sightseeing. After a bit of shopping and some food all of the RTC players ended the night dancing in the middle of Piazza del Duomo with a silly Italian man!

Sunday was the final day of the tournament. The weather was horrible and raining more than it does in the UK! We were in the play off for 11th /12th position against another Italian team, Zibido San Giacomo. With the rain pouring down it was clear the Italian players were not used to playing in this type of weather as they were all shivering and trying to avoid the puddles on the pitch, whilst we all had great fun getting as wet as we could! It was in this match that I scored my first international goal as an England player, a shot from outside the box straight into the top left of the goal! The energy was high amongst the team and we won the game 6-1! All of the team had scored at some point across the weekend so it was a fantastic feeling amongst all the boys. We finished the tournament 11th out of 16 teams, which wasn't bad seeing as we couldn't communicate with all of our team mates!

A fantastic weekend, meeting new people and learning some new Italian words too! We have a few weeks of our league season left before we start preparing for our next tour to Holland for the Maastricht Cup in June!

Ciao!



Arts Ambassadors Flag Making Workshop

A group of fifteen Arts Ambassadors, selected from our Y6 pupils, spent Wednesday learning from local artists Emily Cooling and Nicolette Glashan within a special textile project. They worked with creativity and enthusiasm to produce three beautiful (and enormous!) batik silk flags using their own designs within the theme "Growing Stronger Together". These will be displayed alongside flags produced by pupils in four other Bicester primary schools as part of a special exhibition in Bicester Library from the weekend of 18th May.

Our Arts Ambassadors will also be working towards achieving a Discover Arts Award from Trinity College London during this project and sharing their skills with their peers across the school during our Arts Fortnight Festival in July.



Do you work in the Arts sector, enjoy a creative hobby or have a keen interest in the Arts? If you would be willing to come into school, or record a short video, to share your experiences and passion during our Arts Fortnight Festival (weeks beginning 8th and 15th July) then Mrs Lewis would love to hear from you! Please drop her an email via the school office by April 30th and she would be thrilled to provide more information/make arrangements with you.

Mrs Lewis



Attendance Figures (%) Monday 15th April to Friday 1^{9th} April

Class 1	92.92
Class 2	92.22
Class 3	98.75
Class 4	96.67
Class 5	99.39
Class 6	98.06
Class 7	95.59
Class 8	98.82
Class 10	92.12
Class 11	96.00
Class 12	94.41
Nursery	91.37
Rec A	93.70
Rec B	97.33
Totals	95.62

As a reminder Registration times are as below:

Main School

- 8:35am – doors open
- 8:40am – learning Starts
- 3:15pm – learning ends and doors open
- 3:55pm – teacher led after school clubs end

Reception

- 8:40am – doors open
- 8:45am – learning starts
- 3:05pm – Learning ends and doors open

Nursery

- 8:50am – doors open
- 9am – learning starts
- 12:15pm – AM nursery ends
- 3pm – PM nursery ends

Can we ask that you wait with your child in the mornings before the doors open, this is to ensure their safety – many thanks for your co-operation on this.



Weekly Awards

Hot Chocolate with the Head

Children who have displayed exemplary attitudes to learning and behaviour are invited to have a hot chocolate with Head on a Friday. This week's attendees were:

- **Reception:** Lucas and Emmie
- **Year 1:** Ronnie and Riley
- **Year 2:** Ariyana and Spencer
- **Year 3:** Eadie and Henry
- **Year 4:** Albert and Kaiden
- **Year 5/6:** Emily, Barnaby and Finn

Well Done to all!

Reading

Children who have read three times a week are entered into a reading raffle, where they can choose a book from the vending machine.

- **Reception:** Daniel
- **Key Stage 1:** Leo
- **Lower Key Stage 2:** Imogen
- **Upper Key Stage 2:** Noah

Keep Reading!

Times Table Rock Stars

Well done to the following children who have played the most minutes on Times Table Rock Stars

- **Year 3:** Simon, Harry and Georgie
- **Year 4:** Elias, Paige and Kyle
- **Year 5/6:** Corte, Nathaniel and James



Dates for Diary

- 22nd April – Clubs start
- 26th April – Author Visit – Angela Kecojevic for KS1
- 27th April – Buddies Car Boot Sale
- 1st May – Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 3,4, RB and Group Photos
- 2nd May – School Photos
- 6th May – Bank Holiday
- 8th May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 5,6,7,10
- 13th May – Y6 SATS Week
- 15th May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 1, 2, RA
- 22nd May - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm – Classes 8,11,12
- 24th May – 3.15pm Half Term
- 3rd June – INSET
- 4th June – Back to School
- 18th June – Sports Day Y1-6
- 25th June – Reserve Sports Day Y1-6
- 2nd July – Sports Day YN and YR
- 17th July - Y5/6 Production at 1.45pm
- 18th July – Y5/6 Production at 5pm
- 23rd July – Y6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am
- 24th July – Finish for the year at 2pm



At The Daulton Academy, we are committed to helping our students develop their skills as young performers, training them in the three disciplines: acting, singing and dancing. In class, we help nourish each child's unique personality and help them to grow in confidence. Our classes are held weekly on Fridays at Bure Park School, Bicester. The Spring term will be starting Friday 3rd May until Friday 26th July with a break for the half term holiday. We are excited to announce the start of our 'Musical Masters' class! During the Summer Term at 'The Daulton Academy' we focus on developing key skills in all areas of acting, singing and dancing. Between the start of term and the May half term we will learn a variety of popular songs and routines, chosen by the children. We will play a range of acting and drama games to help boost their creativity and imagination. Then after half term we start preparing for our Summer Soirée which is performed to friends and family at the end of term. This term's themes are 'The Lion King' for our musical Minis and 'Musical Magic' for our Musical Masters If this sounds like something your child would enjoy, please get in touch with Jessica via the email below.

daultonacademy@gmail.com

<https://www.thedaultonacademy.co.uk/book-online>





Krazy Kids Breakfast and After School Club
Bure Park Primary School, Bicester, OX26 3BP

SPACES AVAILABLE EVERY MORNING AND FRIDAY AFTERNOONS

Breakfast Club

Monday – Friday, Term time only.
7.30am – 8.40am.

Cost: £5.50 per session. (Includes a healthy breakfast.)

After School Club

Monday – Friday, Term Time Only.
3.15pm – 6.00pm

Cost: £14.00 per session. (Includes a light tea.)
Fun indoor and outdoor activities (weather dependent)

To register your child/children

for Krazy Kids you will need to complete a registration form which can be found at the school reception or downloaded from the school website.

Complete and return the form to the email address below or school reception and please allow a minimum of 5 working days for the registration to be processed.

All childcare is invoiced in advance and can be paid via ScoPay or Childcare Voucher Schemes. We do not accept Cash or Cheques.

You pay for the sessions regardless of whether your child attends or not. We also require a terms notice for cancellation of your childcare or a reduction in your sessions.

We also try to be as accommodating as possible if you require an emergency session if we have space available.

We are unfortunately unable to offer drop-in care.

For further Information, or if you have any questions, please contact Jo Blundell at krazykids@bureparkprimary.org





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WOULD YOUR CHILD LIKE TO PLAY IN THEIR VERY OWN ROCK BAND?

ROCK STEADY™

Enrol online today at rocksteadymusicschool.com
or call 0330 113 0330 (local rate)
8am-8pm, Mon-Thurs, 8am-6pm Fridays

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn to play an instrument, develop life skills, have fun, gain confidence, and boost their wellbeing. As they progress through the Rocksteady curriculum, they will collect up to 300 different instrument, musicianship, and performance skills along the way.

Here's what you need to know:

- Lessons are held during the school day. There's no experience necessary and all instruments are provided, so it's very inclusive and accessible.
- Your child can choose from **drums, vocals, keyboard, electric or bass guitar** (subject to availability). They'll join their band mates for a weekly 30-minute lesson, where together they'll learn to play their favourite songs.
- You can proudly watch as your child performs in their end of term performance, showing you and their friends just how far they have come, and how far they could go. You can also **follow their musical Journey** in your **Parent Timeline** from your Backstage account.
- Loved and trusted by thousands of schools, lessons are taught by experienced professional musicians who make music education fun. Your child's band leader will support and **inspire** them, while making sure they progress at their own pace.
- Your child will become either a **Mini Rocker** (Reception to Year 2), **Rock Hero** (Year 3 and Year 4) or a **Rock Icon** (Year 5 and Year 6).

Places are offered on a first come, first served basis. Selecting different instrument options will also give you the best chance of getting a place.

For more details on availability and cost, visit rocksteadymusicschool.com and find your school on the sign up page or call **0330 113 0330**.

Best wishes,
Rachel Hawker | Director of Education

