



Bailey Green Primary and Nursery School Together with Bailey's Butterflies

A message from Mrs Taylor

As we approach the end of this half term I thought I'd give you some information/ dates for the last half term of the year. We've had a great year of teaching and learning, staff have worked extremely hard on any 'catch up' learning the children have required.

We have started to introduce lots of activities/ meetings that we had before the pandemic. It has been lovely to open our doors again, but also being mindful that COVID hasn't gone away.

There are procedures that we are not changing, one being the one way system at the beginning and end of the school day, and the other, the times of the school day for this term. We will be extending some of the school day times from September.

One Way System

As we have nearly 500 children to enter and dismiss from school the one way system works so well. It keeps your children safe. I don't know if you can recall when we didn't have this system in place, the entrance/ exit from Reception/ Year 1 and Year 2 was very congested. Children would be running down to the office, in the car park and along the long path. The one way system provides calmness and safety (the children stay in classes in wet/windy weather too) which can only be a positive. We cannot use one gate to enter and exit so many adults. Please do not make my staff feel uncomfortable on the gate by questioning them about this procedure.

The other is the times for the school day. Starting school at 8.30am – 8.45am has shown us how alert the children are first thing on a morning. By the end of the day the children are very tired but we do offer wrap around care until 5.30pm if required. Please be prompt at the start of the day. The times are below:

Times of the School Day

We have looked at our school day and still feel the early start is very positive and has benefited the children's learning. There are some slight changes to extend the times of the day which will be introduced in September. As we only have 35 days left we will continue with the times as they are now:

Start Time	Finish Time
Nursery Bees	8.30am – 11.30am or 12.00pm – 3.00pm
Reception	8.45am – 2.45pm
Year 1	8.40am – 2.55pm
Year 2	8.40am – 3.05pm
Year 3	8.35am – 3.00pm
Year 4	8.35am – 3.00pm

Year 5	8.30am – 3.05pm
Year 6	8.30am – 3.05pm
Bailey's Butterflies	7.30am – 5.30pm

Staffing

We are saying goodbye to Miss Barber (Teaching Assistant) on Friday. She is moving onto a new career in health care. We wish her lots of luck.

Congratulations to Mrs Rutherford who has had a beautiful baby girl named Amelie.

Mr Harrison will be joining our team as a permanent member of staff after the half term holidays.

Great News

We were inspected for our 3 yearly Health and Safety. This was an intense day with thorough checks. The inspection went really well and I am pleased to say we achieved gold (again) which shows how hard everyone works at Bailey Green and Bailey's Butterflies to keep everyone safe.

SATs

Well done to Year 2 and Year 6 children for working so hard with their SATs. I am so proud of them.

WAS Award

Wellbeing is high profile at Bailey Green. As some of you may know we achieved the WAS award at Bailey Green 3 years ago. We all feel the well-being of EVERYONE is key to happiness and success. We are expecting our renewal visit very soon. Fingers crossed!

Girls Cremona Shield Football Tournament

Some of our Year 5 and 6 girls competed in the Cremona Shield football tournament on Wednesday 25th May. They were amazing and won the tournament! We are so proud of them and bringing the shield back to school has given a real boost to all of us.

Boys Cremona Shield Football Tournament

Some of our Year 5 and 6 boys will be competing in the Cremona Shield football tournament today. Good luck boys!

Jubilee Day

We are really looking forward to Friday 27th May. Children can come to school dressed in red, white and blue, princes/ princesses, kings or queens. Weather permitting we will have a picnic lunch outside with lots of Royal activities.

New Term

We return to school on Monday 6th June, the children in years 3, 4 and 5 will be having assessments during the next two weeks so I know exactly where children's learning is, and how much progress they have made.

Class Trips

Staff are now starting to send out letters for class trips, some of you may have received them already.

Year 6 Treat

On Tuesday 7th June the ice cream van will be at school for the year 6 children to have a treat.

Year 5 and 6 Cricket Tournament

Wednesday 8th June some of the Year 5 and 6 children will be taking part in a cricket tournament. More information will follow on this.

Sports Week

The children may come to school in their PE kit on the day of their sports day. All sports days will take place on the school field. Please bring a picnic rug or a chair to sit on. The dates for each year are below:

Monday 13th June 9.30 am Nursery Bees and Bailey's Butterflies
 1.30pm Both Reception classes

Tuesday 14th June 9.30am Year 1 and 2 classes
 1.30pm Year 3 and 4 classes

Thursday 16th June 1.30pm Year 5 and 6 classes

Wear Yellow Day

Bailey Green School and Bailey's Butterflies will be raising money for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust on Friday 17th June. All children can wear yellow on this day, you can make a donation via scopay for school children or cash for Bailey's Butterflies.

E-Safety Workshop

We have sent a message on the app inviting all year 3, 4 and 5 parents to an e-safety workshop. The sessions are 8.45am – 10.15am on 3 separate days: Friday 27th May, Friday 10th June and Friday 17th June. Please complete the consent form on parentapp if you will be attending. Please come along and find out some useful information on how your child can stay safe on social media.

Kirkley Hall Zoo

The year 1 children will be visiting Kirkley Hall Zoo on Friday 17th June. As this is the same day as wear yellow for cystic fibrosis we are asking Year 1 children not to wear yellow but to come in with their school jumpers on. As stated in the letter they can wear any bottoms e.g. joggers.

George Stephenson High Visit

Year 6 children will be visiting George Stephenson High School with the Teachers on Monday 20th June.

Year 6 George Stephenson High

On Wednesday 22nd June Year 6 children will be attending George Stephenson High School in the afternoon for pottery with their teachers.

Nursery Bees Meeting

A meeting will be held for all new Nursery Bees parents on Thursday 23rd June. More information will follow from Mrs Moretti.

Reception Welcome Meeting

All Reception parents/ carers for children starting September 22 have been invited to attend a welcome meeting on Wednesday 29th June with Mrs Taylor.

Safety Works Visit

Year 6 children will be attending Safety Works in Newcastle on Thursday 30th June, more information to follow.

Queens Jubilee Day Off

School and Bailey's Butterflies will be closed on Friday 1st July in lieu of the Queens Jubilee.

Meet the Class Teacher

Week commencing Monday 4th July you will all be invited in to meet your child's new class teacher for September. Please come along and find out information for the new school year. I will let you know after half term which class your child is moving into and what day you will be invited in.

Northumberland Zoo

Year 4 children will be going to Northumberland Zoo, you should have all received information on the Parentapp.

Parents Evening

You will be invited into school for a face to face parents evening week commencing Monday 11th July. You will be able to book your time as normal on school cloud, you will receive an invite closer to the time. If you would prefer a call and not a meeting you can state this when you book a slot.

New Reception 2022

The children going into Reception in September 22 will be visiting their new class on Thursday 14th July 1.30pm – 2.30pm. This is just for the children.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Parents are invited to attend the Year 6 Leavers assembly on Friday 15th July. The times are below:

9.00am – 10.00am	Mrs Flynn 6F – This session is for parents only, we are asking that only 2 parents per child attend
10.15am – 11.15am	Miss Rayson 6R – This session is for parents only, we are asking that only 2 parents per child attend

1.30pm – 2.30pm

This session is for any grandparents of children in both classes who would like to attend to see the performance

Bailey's Butterflies

A polite reminder Bailey's Butterflies do break up for 2 weeks on Friday 19th August and return the same day as school Tuesday 6th September.

Phew! A long letter but I thought you would appreciate having the dates early. I will keep you updated with any changes.

Thank you

Mrs Taylor
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

Thursday 26 th May	Boys Cremona Shield Football Tournament
Friday 27 th May	Queens Jubilee celebrations in school 8.45am – 10.15am Years 3, 4 & 5 E-Safety Workshop Break up for Half Term
Monday 6 th June	Return to school after the half term holidays
Tuesday 7 th June	Ice cream van at school for Year 6
Wednesday 8 th June	Year 5 and 6 Cricket tournament
Friday 10 th June	8.45am – 10.15am Years 3, 4 & 5 E-Safety Workshop
Monday 13 th June	9.30am Nursery Bees and Bailey's Butterflies Sports Day 1.30pm Reception Sports Day
Tuesday 14 th June	9.30am Year 1 and 2 Sports Day 1.30pm Year 3 and 4 Sports Day
Thursday 16 th June	1.30pm Year 5 and 6 Sports Day
Friday 17 th June	Wear Yellow Day Year 1 trip to Kirkley Hall Zoo

	8.45am – 10.15am Years 3, 4 & 5 E-Safety Workshop
Monday 20 th June	Year 6 visit to George Stephenson High School
Wednesday 22 nd June	Year 6 pottery at George Stephenson High School
Thursday 23 rd June	Nursery Bees parent meeting
Wednesday 29 th June	Reception September 2022 welcome meeting
Thursday 30 th June	Year 6 visit to Safety Works
Friday 1 st July	School and Bailey's Butterflies closed
W/c Monday 4 th July	Meet your child's class teacher
Friday 8 th July	Year 4 trip to Northumberland Zoo
Thursday 14 th July	New Reception children visit their class for September 22
Friday 15 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Thursday 21 st July	Break up for summer
Friday 19 th August	Bailey's Butterflies break up for 2 weeks