

Bude Primary Academy Head of School – Mrs Sarah Robinson

Friday 8th September 2023

We would like to welcome all our children and families back to school after the summer break. It has been wonderful welcoming everyone back into school for the new academic year. Children have settled into their new classes beautifully, remembering our school rules of 'be ready, be respectful and be safe.'

Today you will have received a curriculum letter from your child's class team. This contains key information regarding curriculum coverage this half term, PE days and how to support at home. Our class teams are always on hand to help however they can, if you do have any questions you can catch them at the classroom door in the morning or at pick up, organise to meet at another time or email into hello@budejuniors.org.uk

Over the week class teams post on our social media accounts, Facebook and Twitter. Click follow on these accounts if you would like to see a little more of what happens inside the school gates every day.

Have an enjoyable weekend, make the most of the super sunshine.

Menu - Week 2

After school clubs

Monday – Girls football 3.20pm-4.20pm – all year groups
Tuesday – Year 3 and 4 tennis 3.20pm-4.20pm
Wednesday – Year 5 and 6 tennis 3.20pm-4.20pm
Wednesday Street Dance with Kaylie:
Year 3 and 4 - 3.20pm – 4.05pm
Year 5 and 6 – 4.15pm – 5pm

Thursday – Boys football 3.20pm-4.20pm – all year groups Please give permission on ParentPay for your child to attend.

Year 6 leavers hoodies

The online shop is re-open to order your child a Year 6 leavers hoodie. This will only be open until Friday 15th September at 3pm.

Please click on the link https://myschoolhoodie.co.uk/product/bude-primary-school-2024

Reminder, car parking

To keep our children safe at home time it is really important that cars are not parked on the double yellow lines. We appreciate car parking spaces are limited and ask for your support with this.

Reminder, Breakfast club

We are writing to inform you that as of September 2023 there will be a charge for breakfast club for all pupils. The cost will be £2.50. This is to ensure we can continue to provide this service as we are currently making a loss.

We are aware that these are very challenging times financially for lots of families. If you do require some support, then please make arrangements to speak to Mrs Robinson or Emma Thomas and we can discuss a possible solution.

We are doing everything we can to keep the cost to parents as affordable as possible. You will need to book your child into the club in advance via ParentPay. Failure to do this could result in your child not being able to access the provision.

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ParentPay debts

Please clear any dinner money, breakfast club and after school club debts over the weekend on ParentPay. Any debt you have on ParentPay needs to be cleared, the ideal is for every account to be in credit before items are booked.

Diary dates

Wednesday 13 th September	Year 3 Stone Age Day
Friday 15 th September	Year 6 World War 2 experience
Monday 25 th September	PTA Bag2School collection
Friday 20 th October	Last day of term
Monday 30th October	Inset day – no school for pupils
Wednesday 15th November	Tempest individual photographs

Absences

If your child is absent from school, please let the office know before 9am. You can leave an answerphone message, send an email to hello@budejuniors.org.uk or telephone the office. Please give full details to why your child is absent, "not well" or "not feeling well" or "not in" is not a reason that we can use on our registers. For example, is it a sickness bug, tummy upset, severe cold/flu, bad tooth ache or covid symptoms? The office will have to contact you if this is not clear.

If they are feeling a little under the weather, please send them in and let us know so we can keep an eye on them. Please try and make medical appointments for your child outside of school hours.

If you consider an absence during term time to be an exceptional circumstance, please complete a form and return it to the school office at least 15 days before the date you wish to take your child out of school. This includes holidays.

Being in school every day that it is open, is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development.

The children's commissioner published guidance last year following a school attendance audit and found that:

'Children who missed the second, third and fourth day of a new term were predicted an

overall absence of almost 45%, or 31 days across the term, significantly more than their peers who attended those first few days. Secondly, whilst Fridays are the most common day for children to be absent, it is actually those children who miss mid-weekdays, Tuesday-Thursday, who are more likely to be habitually absent from school.'

Below is a link regarding attendance from the DfE.

<u>Back to school week – Everything you need to know about school attendance - The Education Hub (blog.gov.uk)</u>



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