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## **Balby Central News**

Wow! We are already celebrating the end of term, ready to move to our final half term of the academic year. This half term has been incredibly busy and has seen Government assessments, the charity raising colour run, trips and visits for most children in school, many choir events, a Year 4 and Year 5 residential and much learning and development for all children. Next half term will be here before we know it!

Have a lovely Bank Holiday and Half Term, hopefully with more sunshine to come and some relaxing days for all. We look forward to seeing all children return on Monday 3rd June.

Should you have any concerns over the holidays, please contact school on the following email addresses:

admin@balbycentralprimary.co.uk

or

confidential@balbycentralprimary.co.uk

These mailboxes will be checked periodically over the holidays and someone will be in touch in response for emergencies only.

## **Early Years and The Beekeeper**

Early Years were so lucky to receive a visit from the Beekeeper. It was a fantastic visit for the children. Here are some of our photos.



## **Baby Toy Appeal**

Do you have any good quality baby toys that are plastic, wood, functional and help senses - for example, toys with lights, push-pull functions, sounds and matching games?





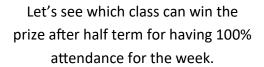


## **Attendance**

Whole School Attendance - 94.5% Children with 100%- 386

#### **Class Attendances This Week:**

Rainbow	94.1%	
Emerald	93.3%	
Sapphire	91.3%	
Purple	94.8%	
White	98.5%	
Crimson	97.3%	
Scarlet	94.6%	
Ruby	93%	
Violet	96.3%	
Blue	89.6%	
Indigo	94%	
Yellow	92.7%	
Green	99.2%	
Red	95.3%	
Orange	94.4%	



The number of children who are arriving to school late is lessening, which is a great achievement. Well done to all of those children who are managing to get here before the gate closes and are entering through their own classroom doors.

It is a good opportunity in a morning for messages to be passed between parents and teachers.





# Well done to Green class with the highest attendance this week! Keep it up!

5 days absence over the year	
97%-100%	
Good chance of success and progress	

20 days absence over the year 90%

Less chance of success. Harder to make progress

20+ days absence over the year Under 90% Detrimental to success and progress

0 days off school	<b>-</b> 100%	• Perfection
2 days off school each year	99%	- Excellent
5 days off school each year	97%	Good
10 days off school each year	95%	Slight concern
20 days off school each year	90%	Concern
30 days off school each year	85%	Very concerned

#### Lateness = Lost Learning

5 minutes late - 3 days lost 10 minutes late - 6.5 days lost 15 minutes late - 10 days lost 20 minutes late - 13 days lost 30 minutes late - 19 days lost

#### Things you need to know for WC 03.06.2024

Please see important upcoming events below - should you require further information, please see your child's class teacher .

Whole School	Early Years	Year 1	Year 2
Monday - school opens at 08.40	<b>PE Day</b> - Friday	PE Day - Monday	PE Day -
Y3-Y6 Rounders competition - by invite only - Wednesday			Tuesday
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
<b>PE Day</b> - Thursday	<b>PE Day</b> - Wednesday	PE Day - Thursday	<b>PE Day -</b> Fri
Maths tutoring - Friday	Government Testing - Maths times	Ukulele - Wednesday	Sir Thomas Wharton staff
	tables check will take place for all	Maths Tutoring - Thursday	visiting - Monday
	children in Y4		

## **Parent Voice**

The Statement: My input and opinions are valued at my

child's school.

Number of responses: 238

You said: 67% of you agreed or

strongly agreed, 24% neither agreed or disagreed and 9% of you disagreed or strongly disagreed.

We respond: It is important to us that we work well with parents and know that links with families are vital to a child's development. Whilst we cannot always guarantee to meet the needs of every request, we do the best for all our children in school. Should you wish to discuss this further, please speak with a member of staff on the gate at drop-off or collection.

### **Assemblies this Week**

#### **Picture News**

Story: An all-girls football team has won a league dominated by boys' teams, after going unbeaten for an entire season.

Talk to your child: Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions?

## Safeguarding Assembly

This week in our safeguarding assembly we learned about the importance of being kind. Ask your children. Talk to your child: about the ways they can be kind and how different people have been kind to them.

## **Colour Run Charity Winners**

Congratulations to our three winners of the highest amounts raised in our first ever BCPA Colour Run. Henry (Y5) with £260, Alice (Y3) with £147 and Elora (Y1) with £82.05. We are super proud of you all for raising this amount of money to help support the charity and the great work they do to save lives.



## **Safeguarding**

We are starting to see improvements in the weather, the sun encourages us all to get outside more but we have to make sure we are safe in the sun. The

following picture link gives some advice on keeping children safe in the sun.



## **Class Photographs**

The photographers will be in school on Wednesday 19th June to complete whole class photos there will be no individual photos or sibling shots.



## Y3/4 Basketball Competition

We are unbelievably proud of our Year 3/4 for making the semi-finals in this week's basketball competition!

Well done all of you - what superstars you all are!



## Help for reading with your child

Hints and tips for reading with your child can be found on the website - click on the picture for more information.



## Activities in Doncaster for over half-term

#### Friday 24 May

<u>Visit the Mansion House! Open Day</u> | All ages | 10:30am - 2pm

<u>Circus Skills in The Wool Market</u> | Ages 5 - 13 | 4pm - 7pm

Re-Style workshop with Clothes | All ages | 11am - 3pm | Sing, Sign and Sensory | Ages 0 -1 | 10am - 10:45am | Empowering young people - what does 'consent and misogyny' mean to you? | Ages 5 -19 | 10am - 1:30pm | Young Parents Group | 1pm - 2:30pm

#### Saturday 25 May

Back to Nature | Ages 5 - 13 | 10:30am - 12:30pm

#### Sunday 26 May

Medatative Yoga | Ages 11 - adult | 12pm - 2pm

#### Monday 27 May

<u>Doncaster Festival of Colour</u> | All ages | 25 - 30 May <u>Army Activity Roadshow – Doncaster Frenchgate</u> | All ages | 11am - 4pm

#### Tuesday 28 May

Street Art | Clay Lane | Ages 5 - 18 | 10am - 2pm Stop Motion Animation | Ages 8+ | 12pm - 1:30pm Pond Dipping with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust | All ages | 10am - 2pm

<u>Understanding Basic British Sign Language</u> | All ages | 10am - 10:45am

### Wednesday 29 May

Slime and Sparkles | Ages 5 - 13 | 3:15pm - 4:45pm

#### Thursday 30 May

<u>Hedgerow Hunt</u> | All ages | 9am - 12pm <u>What does Public Health do?</u> | Ages 11+ | 11am -1:30pm

#### Friday 31 May

<u>Children of the World – Book Bike</u> | 2pm - 5pm | All ages





## What's happening in school next half term?

Please note that all dates are subject to change should the need arise.

June 3rd -7th - Year 4 - Maths Times Tables
Assessments

June 10th - 14th - Year 1 and 2 - Phonics
Screening Checks

June 12th - 14th - Year 6 - London Residential

June 17th - Year 2 - Assessment Week

June 18th - Choir - Sing Out at the Dome
June 19th - Whole school - class photos

June 20th - Years 1, 2 and 3 - Sports Day at
The Keepmoat

June 20th - Year 5 - Classics day at Hill House

June 24th - Year 6 - Science day at Hill House

June 24th - 28th - Whole school - Sports Week

June 26th - Early Years - Sports Day at School

June 27th - Years 4, 5 and 6 - Sports Day at
The Keepmoat

July 1st - 5th Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 Assessment
Week

July 3rd - Year 3 - Great Outdoors Evening

July 3rd - Year 5 - Ukulele Performance 2:30pm

July 5th - Whole school - Picnic Day

July 8th - Whole school - Transition Week

**July 10th -** Whole school - Reports to parents

July 17th - Year 6 - Leavers Festival

July 18th - Year 6 - Leavers Concert

**July 19th** - Whole school - Break up for summer holidays