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"It is true; the Lord has risen" Luke 24:35
We have talked about the Good News of the Resurrection this week. Can your child tell you some good news today?

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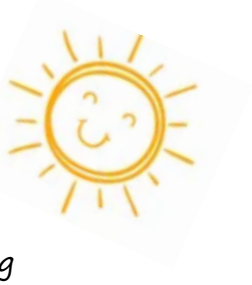
Here Comes Summer!



Term 5 has begun with glorious weather and an increasing chance that we will make it through this whole year without significant disruption to our teaching. The longer days bring a welcome boost of energy and we have spent time this week planning Summer Term events that have not taken place for some time. We are hoping to have a Jubilee Concert on 27th May, a Sports Day with parents on 12th July and we hope to take the whole school out on a day of pilgrimage. Year 6 are planning a performance to their parents as part of their final term at primary school! Good News indeed!

Government advice to parents regarding children with symptoms of Covid-19 has changed over the Easter period. There is now a much reduced emphasis on the use of testing for children when they develop symptoms of Covid-19. Instead, parents are asked to wait until any temperature has subsided and children are well enough to attend school. At Bodsham, we would still ask that parents do test children if it is possible for you to do so. Any child who has a confirmed case of Covid-19 should stay away from school for at least three days. We have updated our guidance to parents on the website which can be found here.

One Minute Maths

Our mathematics curriculum is structured around the White Rose programme of study which a very large number of primary schools have adopted. We chose White Rose because their approach to developing mathematics concepts fits closely with our wider curriculum aims. Parents can now access a White Rose "1 Minute Maths" App to practice some useful skills at home with children in Reception and Key Stage 1. You can download the app through your app store for free and help your child develop fluency in basic number skills in one minute chunks. Recommended!

Welcome Mrs Valentine

We said goodbye to Mrs Thrupp, our long standing office assistant, at the end of last term, so now we are happy to say hello to Mrs Valentine! I'm sure parents will help to make her feel welcome as she learns the ropes.

After School Club Wednesday and Thursday

Badgers Bridge run an excellent after school club for our children on Wednesday and Thursday. This term they are moving to a new online booking system that should be much easier for parents to use. Using this new system, you only need to insert your details once and they'll be stored for all future bookings. You can book anywhere, anytime, on any device, when it's convenient for you. To get started follow this link to book: https://badgers-bridge.class4kids.co.uk

Once you find your class, select "info and booking" and follow the steps to create a ClassForKids account (if you don't already have one). You'll automatically be taken straight through to complete your booking and pay. You can log into your Account at any time to view your bookings, pay and edit your personal details: https://bookings.class4kids.co.uk/dashboard"

Important Week Approaching

On the week of 9th May, our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs. These tests give the children a chance to show what they have learned in maths and English throughout their time at primary school and are used by secondary schools to help set future targets. It is important that all Year 6 children are present for that week and that they come to school well rested (so no late nights please) and after having a good breakfast!

Well done Woodpeckers!

The Woodpeckers had a fantastic day of hockey at Three Hills last term. They played teams from other schools, and had the advantage of playing on a full-size pitch on the AstroTurf!

Woodpeckers Saving the Planet!

As part of their Courageous Advocacy Project this year, Woodpeckers are helping us to recycle plastic packaging with Terracycle. Evie from Year 3 has written this report to help us all get started

TIME TO RECYCLE

Want to know how to recycle cheese packaging? Use Terracycle! Read on to find out more information.

Where to take your plastic packaging

Go to www.terracycle.com to find your nearest drop-off point. If it's Bodsham, go to their Primary School to the year 3 and 4 (Woodpeckers) classroom.

At the factory

1. The cheese packaging is weighed by the administrator.
2. The packaging is poured into a big machine to be compressed.
3. The big cube of packaging is shredded (cut into tiny pieces).
4. The packaging is poured into a mold to be reused as another item.

Recycled and reused

If the new product has to be recycled, it can be recycled again and again! Trust me, you might see the cheese packaging again. It is reused to make new park benches, planters and more.

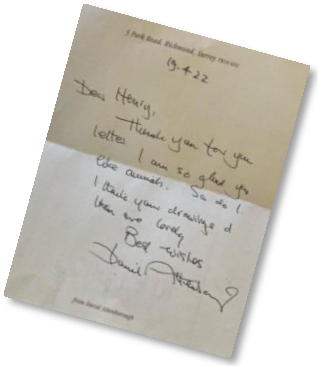
Why is it important to recycle?

Terracycle help raise money for charities. It also helps stop pollution in the ocean. Did you know it takes 450 years for one plastic bottle to break down?

LET'S GIVE CHEESE PACKAGING A NEW LIFE WITH TERRACYCLE!

TERRACYCLE

Bodsham Pupil Receives a Letter from Sir David Attenborough!



Henry in Year 1 wrote a lovely letter to Sir David, telling him all about his love of bugs. He was delighted to receive a reply! You can see the both letters on the news area of our new website! Click here to view them!

Paul Newton, **Executive Head Teacher**