



### Learning Opportunities



It really has been a great week for learning at Batchley. Sports week enabled all the children to take part in tricking, tennis and football. The children participated well in all of the activities. Staff and visitors commented on their resilience and good attitude when attempting a new skill.

I had the pleasure of attending a swimming session and it was delightful to watch the children. They demonstrated the skills of perseverance, resilience and enthusiasm for learning. It was amazing to see how they have progressed from their starting points. All children were participating and there were lots of positive comments about the good behaviour of our children. I joined Year 3 on a learning walk into Redditch. It was a lovely afternoon and super opportunity for the children to engage in their immediate local area and understand their own local history.



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# KEEP READING!



It's time for summer reading lists and reading challenges! Get your children reading with [book recommendations](#) from these up-to-date summer reading lists

### Star Learners

Chosen for good work or demonstrating the School Values of VIPS Learners

<b>Butterflies</b>	Ethan and Leo	<b>Geckos</b>	Logan and Willow
<b>Dragonflies</b>	Franek and Liliana	<b>Frogs</b>	Charlie Markham and Joel-Amari
<b>Ladybirds</b>	Artemis and Amelie	<b>Giraffes</b>	Sumaiya and Layla
<b>Fireflies</b>	Bobby and Joshua	<b>Elephants</b>	Anna and Malcolm
<b>Crocodiles</b>	Uriah and Paisley	<b>Lions</b>	Hayden and Ivy
<b>Turtles</b>	Laila-Rose and Selena	<b>Zebbras</b>	Alfie and Frank

### Morning and Sports Clubs

This continues to be successful and the children are really enjoying the morning a and sports activities. There are spaces available in Fit4Sport- Morning Club.



Please contact Mr Morris if you require a place on 07557946721 or email [info@fit4sport.org.in](mailto:info@fit4sport.org.in) Sports Clubs <https://fit4sport.class4kids.co.uk/>

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### Key Dates

- 4<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3 Trip Forge Mill
- 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> July – Strike Days
- 10<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 transition to middle school
- 21<sup>st</sup> July – School closes for the summer holidays
- 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July – Staff TED days

## Attendance

Good attendance at school is not just valuable, it's essential. Attendance in school is directly linked to improved learning outcomes. It is vital that the children are in school so they don't miss out on key learning opportunities and start to fall behind their peers or not make as much progress as they are capable of.



**EVERY** day counts  
attendance matters



We will continue to work in partnership with our families to improve attendance.

We have received more holiday request forms than usual. We **do not** authorise holidays ('Department for Education guidance') and any holiday absence goes towards overall absence figures.

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## Strike Days

The National Education Union (NEU) has announced two additional strike days in schools in England on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July.

Learning may be disrupted on the dates listed. We will let you know ASAP what the arrangements will be.

It is important to understand that the continued action is nothing to do with Batchley First School, but is part of a national dispute between the union and the government. Throughout the strike staff have made it clear that they are reluctantly taking industrial action and that it is targeted against government policy.

## Hot Weather

The weather is hot and the sun is shining. The UV rays are strong. Please can you ensure children have sun cream applied before they arrive at school and bring a cap/hat with them to wear at break and lunch.

## The World



Thank you to all the children who entered the competition. We really have had some super art work and creations.

## Golden Table

Well done to the children who were recognised for their good manners, politeness and ability to demonstrate the school rules.



Ladybirds- Inaaya  
Fireflies – Olivia  
Crocodiles- Mollie  
Turtles- Marwan  
Frogs- Zia-Ul  
Geckos – Thea  
Elephants – Jordan & Nevin  
Giraffes- Layla  
Lions- Rocco  
Zebras- Evie-Rose



Your children are a credit to you and you should be very proud of them. It is a joy to share time with them. at the golden table.

## Summer Drop-ins

**Summer Drop-ins**  
Starting Well Redditch  
NEW OPENING TIMES & JET

**Healthy Lifestyles**  
Thurs 3rd August, 1 - 3pm  
Topics such as fussy eating, sleep & healthy alternatives.

**SEN**  
Thurs 24th August, 1 - 3pm  
Topics such as self-regulation tips, resources to support children at home & sensory play ideas.

**Teens**  
Thurs 31st August, 1 - 3pm  
Topics such as struggles with their sleep, brain development & youth groups in the community.

**@ Redditch Library**  
15 Market Place, Redditch, B98 8AR

**0 - 3yr olds**  
Thurs 10th August, 9.30 - 11.30am  
Topics such as ideas for play, 2-year-old funding & introduction to solids.

**Behaviour**  
Thurs 17th August, 9.30 - 11.30am  
Topics such as tips for certain behaviours, reward ideas & ways to support your child's emotions.

No need to book, just come along!

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