Batchley First and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter

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Learning Opportunities

An amazing start back after the holiday with lots of wonderful learning opportunities across the school.
Year 1 visited the Black Country Museum to explore 300 years of history in the open-air museum. The visit helped the children to put history into context, through a range of learning experiences.

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KEEP READING!

Batchley Book Club

We are excited to hear the book reviews for this half-term.

Mrs Downes is looking forward to hearing about some new authors that have appeared on the shelf.

Raffle Ticket Winners.
Two more children have selected books from the reading shelf.

Star Learners

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

Butterflies	Jayden and Zoya	**Frogs**	Paisley and Codey
Dragonflies	Remy and Renesmae	**Geckos**	Hidayah and Laila-Rose
Fireflies	Alfie and Inez	**Giraffes**	Louis and Evelynn
Ladybirds	Jacob H and Zuzanna	**Elephants**	Samuel and Muhammad
Crocodiles	Aria-Rose and Jaxson C	**Lions**	Logan and Elsie
Turtles	Lake and Frankie	**Zebras**	Madison and Ahmad

Morning and Sports Clubs

Fit4Sport continue to support school by providing a morning before school club. 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 Sports Clubs https://fit4sport.class4kids.co.uk/

DATES TO REMEMBER

Key Dates

Thursday 7th March –World Book Day
Friday 22nd March – Break up for Easter
Monday 8th April – Children return to school
Tuesday 16th April – Year 2 MAD Museum and Butterfly Farm
6th May – May day – school closed

Attendance

EVERYday counts
attendance matters

MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Is my child too ill for school? - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Attendance week ending 23.02.24

Zebras	Lions	Elephants	Giraffes	Frogs
94%	93%	96%	97%	89%
Geckos	**Turtles**	**Crocodiles**	**Ladybirds**	**Fireflies**
91%	95%	96%	88%	89%

Well done ***Giraffes*** who had the highest attendance - achieving 97%.

It was lovely to see the children back in school after the half-term break. It is important that children are in school every day to continue with their learning, develop their friendships and achieve a sense of belonging.

Don't forget that every child who achieves 100% in a half-term will get their name put in the draw to win the 4 night break in October half term!

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Golden Table

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

Ladybirds- Jacob D
Fireflies – Leo
Crocodiles- Franki
Turtles- Alina
Frogs- Safaa
Geckos – Ayra
Elephants – Jazmine
Giraffes- Harley
Lions- Sonny
Zebras- Jack B

I look forward to having lunch with the children on Monday 26th February 2024.

School Projects

School continues to improve the environment for the children of Batchley. We have had some new fire doors fitted around school. This has improved the safety for all children and staff.

We have also had LED lights fitted throughout the whole school. This offers great benefits for all of our children with more brightly lit and energy efficient corridors.

Nursery had a new screen fitted and this touchscreen board enables the children to interact with the activities on the screen.

Parking

Parking is still an issue. We continue to have huge issues with parking both outside the school gates and on the yellow zig-zag lines. We have contacted the Community Police again to inform them that vehicle owners are not following the rules and helping to keep our children safe.

We wish to remind you that you can park safely in the carpark opposite school.

Nursery Places

September 2024

If your child turns 3 before the 31st August 2024 then we have places in our Nursery. Contact the school office for more information or an application pack.

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Baby News

We have some great news to share with you.

Mrs Hall and her husband welcomed a baby boy into the world during the half-term holiday.

We wish them all well in their family journey together.