

# Newsletter

## Autumn Term

### Date: 17.09.21

**An Exceptional Place to Flourish**

Though your beginning was small,  
your future will flourish indeed.  
Job 8:7

#### Headteacher's message

It is lovely to meet and greet everyone on the gate in the mornings and evenings.

Our Monday Assembly focused on how we can be **generous** (not just with money), but also through acts of kindness and sharing positive thoughts and comments. Our story was based on the Widow's offering of 2 coins in the temple's offering box (Luke 21:1-4). <sup>1</sup>As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. <sup>2</sup>He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. <sup>3</sup>"Truly I tell you," he said, "this poor widow has put in more than all the others. <sup>4</sup>All these people gave their gifts out of their wealth; but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."

Pupils had a great week, especially in Art & Design designing portraits, sculptures and African Art. Years 3&4 started their Design and Technology topic on The Great Bread Bake off.

A few changes in government this week - New Secretary of State for Education: Nadhim Zahawi MP.



**Our school attendance target is:**

**96%**

**Attendance this week:**

Reception	94.42%
Year 1	88.65%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	94.38%
Year 4	96.67%
Year 5	99.0%
Year 6	95.0%
Whole school	95.11%

#### This half-term's value:



#### Big questions of the week:

Reception	Year 1	Should animals be kept in cages?
Year 2		What might happen if animals could talk like us?
Year 3		Should violent video games be banned?
Year 4		Can you think of ways we could take better care of our planet?
Year 5		Is global warming a natural event or caused by man?
Year 6		What do you think life might be like on another planet?

#### Achievers of the week:

	Reader of the week	Writer of the week	Mathematician of the week	Scientist of the week	Star of the week
Reception	-	-	-	-	-
Year 1	Cassidy	Jacob	Kai	Daisy	Henry H
Year 2					
Year 3	Archie	Gabriella	Freddie R	Diggy	Freya J
Year 4					
Year 5	John	Naomi	Corey	Dylan	Laila
Year 6					



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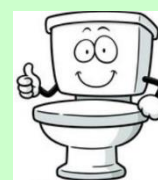
### ... Headteacher's message continues

A big congratulations to **Freddy G**, who is a prize winner of the **Fyfield Focus Poster Competition**, held in the summer, encouraging people not to drop litter and keep our lovely countryside pristine. We are so proud of you! Well done!



In assembly this week, I reminded pupils to bring a **water bottle** to school. Kindly be advised that pupils should **only bring water** in these bottles (not squash or fizzy drinks), as we are keen to work towards achieving a Healthy Schools award and status. Pupils are asked to not keep their water bottles on their tables, as this can lead to spillage and impact negatively on book presentation. Water bottles will be kept in a tray in the class. Pupils will have access to their water bottles throughout the day.

**Toileting** is another issue that I discussed in assembly. Pupils are encouraged to go to the toilet during break and lunch. We have had several disruptions during lesson time over the last two weeks, by pupils wanting to go to the toilet immediately after returning from break and/or lunch. This is cutting into very important teaching and learning time. If your child has a medical condition or there is a special reason why your child should go to the toilet more frequently, this is permitted. Please inform the office so that staff can be made aware of it.



The full **curriculum map** (inclusive of English and Maths) can be viewed on the school's website.

**Flyers** of possible activities/events are also on the school's website under **NEWS AND EVENTS – COMMUNITY NEWS** and **FLYERS**. Please have a look, as some **clubs/events** will be advertised here.

Parents/carers will be informed in due course of **clubs** which we will be commencing this half term.

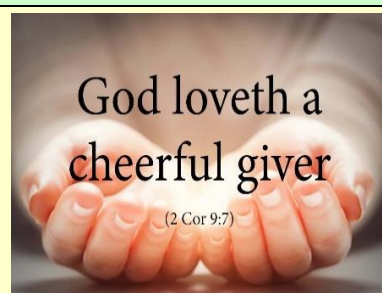
Pupils can access the **Letter-join handwriting scheme** from home to practice handwriting skills. There are also several fun activities that can be used to develop fine and gross motor skills development.

[www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk)

**Pupil accounts (Home-School Account):**

**Username: wk9839**

**Account Password: home**

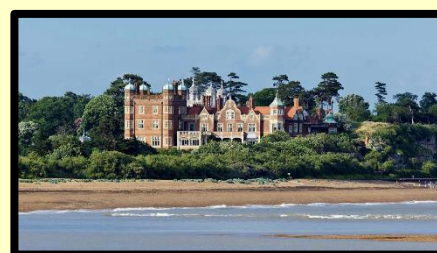


### Well-being

We would love to receive some **positive feedback and/or comments** about our school community and the wonderful work the staff are doing, the pupils and school environment. Please drop us a note or a few lines via email to the school office email. **Many thanks!**



- **Class Assembly next Friday:** Parents of **Years 1&2** are invited to attend the Celebration Assembly.
- **Year 6 residential: 22-24 September** at Bawdsley Manor
- **PE kit:** Kind reminder that earrings need to be removed before PE as it poses a risk of tearing an earlobe. Also please ensure pupils are wearing the appropriate PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



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# Instructions for pupils to use Letter-join at home on PCs and tablets

## [Click here to download the MS Word document \(shown below\).](#)

Insert your Home user name and password into the spaces provided.

Your swipe code has already been set for logging-in on tablets.

This can be printed out or inserted into your next school newsletter.

## Classroom names for Word Banks

The Letter-join Home Subscription allows your pupils and their parents to log in to Letter-join on their PCs and laptops as well as their iPads and tablets.

To allow children to log in to their classroom word banks, please change the class names on your Admin page.

## Kindle Fire/ Amazon Kindle


For pupils using Android tablets of 7 inches or less, please download [these instructions](#).

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Word document titled 'Letter-joinHomeAccess'. The document content is as follows:

### Letter-join Home log-in

Dear Parents,

Our school is now part of the Letter-join handwriting scheme and our pupils can log in to the Letter-join website on iPads and tablets as well as desktop and laptop computers at home. There you will find the same, easy-to-use handwriting resources that we use at school.



#### DESKTOP AND LAPTOP LOG-IN


Log in at [www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk) and use the Desktop log-in option with these details:

**User name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Password:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PC Browsers:**  
Letter-join will work on the following browsers on PCs/Macs:  
- Google Chrome  
- Firefox  
- Safari  
Do not use Internet Explorer.

#### IPAD AND TABLET LOG-IN

Go to [www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk) and use the Tablet log-in option with these details:


**User name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Swipe code (starting at top left):** 

**Tablet/iPad Browsers:**  
Letter-join will run on the following tablets:  
- iPads running iOS7 and above through the Safari browser.  
- Windows 8 tablets (8 inch and bigger) using the built-in browser.  
- Android tablets (8 inch and bigger) using Google Chrome, Firefox or Opera.

#### Choose a Classroom

Once logged-in, choose your child's classroom and you will be able to watch how to form all the letters of the alphabet using the same style that we use at school. You can then trace over the letters and words on your tablet and print out the worksheets from your PC for real handwriting practice.

We are limited to the number of users who can log in to this account, so please only log in with this username and password/swipe code for your own personal use.

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