## School Attendance by Class

(Our whole school target for 2021-22 is 97%)

Flamingos 98.4% Kingfishers 95.1% Jackdaws 97.8% Hummingbirds 86.5%

Whole School Attendance this week is 94.4%

Each week the class with the highest attendance will win a £10 voucher, this can be saved and spent on whatever they would like for their class.

This weeks £10 voucher goes to Flamingos

## Covid Cases week ending 25th February 2022

We have had 6 reported positive cases this week.

**Senior Teacher** Before half term we held interviews for the vacant Senior Teacher position in school. I'm pleased to be able to announce that Mrs Maudlin was appointed and commenced her role this week.

Attendance Understandably over the last 2 years attendance at school has been negatively affected by Covid-19. As things return to normal, we will be working on improving our attendance and punctuality.

Initially, we will be focussing on punctuality. The main gates will be closed, promptly, at 8:50am. If you arrive after this time, you will need to report to the office and sign in to a late book. Children will receive a punctuality Dojo at the end of the week, if they are on time every day. Each week, everyone with 100% punctuality will be entered into a draw and a winner from each class will get a dip in the box.

We will continue to reward the class with the highest attendance percentage for the week and the winning class will be on the Bulletin and receive a £10 voucher to spend.

Over the coming weeks we will be contacting families to arrange meetings to discuss their child's attendance, this will be a supportive meeting please do not worry.

Breakasaurus sculpture Did you see the photos in the EDP Go Go Discover Supplement? The sculpture has now been parcelled up, collected and will be displayed in the city later in the year.

**Dinosaur Trail** Thank you so for much to everyone who purchased a dinosaur trail, we hope you all enjoyed becoming dinosaur hunters. The dinosaurs will remain hidden around Bawburgh for a little while longer for anyone who ran out of time in half term due to the bad weather.

## Covid-19

Although the national guidance has changed this week, we have just received guidance from Norfolk County Council on how this affects schools. The advice states that we should now start to treat Covid-19 infections like any other public health concern we face in schools, e.g with chickenpox your child is not allowed into school until the spots are scabbed over, Norovirus/tummy bugs, your child is not allowed back into school until they are 48 hours clear. With Covid-19 infections, your child will need to stay at home and isolate for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days.

'Routine national and local contact tracing will end and reliance will be placed upon positive cases making their relevant contacts aware. Contacts will no longer be required to self-isolate or take daily tests, although while asymptomatic kits are still freely available testing is advisable and guidance to take extra care to keep others safe will remain.'

If you receive a positive LFD or PCR test please continue to let the school know, via the email covid@bawburgh.norfolk.sch.uk

## Covid-19 precautions in school

We are slowly getting back to normal in school. As you'll be aware the children have been eating their lunch altogether and playing on the field at breaktime and lunchtime as a whole school. From Monday, staff will no longer have to wear masks outside of their classroom/work area (although can do if they wish) and we are planning to reintroduce buddys between the upper school and lower school next week. Parent lunches will be making a comeback so watch this space! And we will be looking at incorporating sharing of children's work (what used to be open tray sessions) after the parent lunches. We will continue to encourage good hand and respiratory hygiene and ask that you continue to reinforce this at home. Ventilation will remain high priority and we will continue to keep windows and doors open to minimise the risk of transmission.

It goes without saying that things may change at short notice depending on the situation in school.

**Parent Evening** Bookings will open on  $15^{th}$  March 2022. This will take place in the school hall on  $29^{th}$  and 30 March from 3.30 to 5.30 and 3.30 to 6.30 pm. Please note that there will be no crèche available, but afterschool club will still be running.

MSA Vacancy We are recruiting a new MSA. Please contact the office if you are interested in applying.

World Book Day 2022 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March As part of our World Book Day celebrations, we would like to invite the children to dress in a costume with an animal theme. The animal does not need to be a character from a book. We do please encourage you to use any thing you may already have at home, e.g. a t-shirt with an animal on, face paint, decorate old clothing with an animal print etc. The children's animal costumes will fit the theme of our whole school book we will be exploring on the day.

Paint a potato, our competition this year is to decorate a potato! Be as inventive as you like. The potato does not have to be a character. It can be an object or scene or setting from a book. Please challenge yourself and get creative! We will give the children an opportunity to see all the potatoes and see if we can guess the book. There will also be prizes up for grabs! Take a

look at the pictures to get some ideas





Afterschool Club Please submit your booking form for March asap.

Tea Towel and Bag We have some spare bags. If you would like to purchase one or more, please email or phone the Office.

**Don't Forget** Please remember to top up your child's dinner, tuck and drinks balance on ParentMail. If you have any problems, please contact the Office.

The Friends A huge well done to everyone who has started their £20.22 in 2022 fundraising. We have been hearing about some brilliant ideas, here are just a few.....

- Nate in Kingfishers is doing a sponsored Pokémon hunt with 50p for every 10 Pokémon caught
- Sophie in Kingfishers is raising money by doing jobs for family members and being brave
- Orla in Hummingbirds is making and selling dog biscuits
- Eleanor and Henry (Hummingbirds and Kingfishers) had a half term bake sale and sold out within an hour!
- George in Jackdaws is being sponsored to run 20k and swim 22 lengths (not all in one go!)

Keep up the amazing efforts and inspiring ideas - we'd love to keep hearing about them at friendsofbawburghschool@gmail.com

The 2022 challenge will keep running until Easter so there's still plenty of time 🖨



Red Nose Day Friday 18th March more information to follow.