

OPENING AND CLOSING OF SCHOOL GATES - MORNINGS/AFTERNOONS

Thank you to all the parents who attended the consultation on 29 January about the opening and closing of the school gates. As from Tuesday 20 February 2024, the times will be adjusted. The new times will be as follows:

	Opening	Closing
Mornings	8:50 AM	9:02 AM
Afternoons	3:20 PM	3:40 PM

There will be 'stop' signs on the floor. Parents are requested not to cross these lines until the classroom doors have been opened.



Thank you for your kind cooperation and support with implementing these measure so that we can keep your children safe and secure.

HALF-TERM CLOSURE

School will be closed from Monday 12 to Friday 16 February for half-term. School is also closed for pupils on Monday 19 February as it is Training Day for staff members. Pupils return to school at the usual time on Tuesday 20 February.

Kindly note that Bright Minds and Life Skills sessions will resume as usual from Tuesday 20 February.

We wish everyone a restful and enjoyable half-term.

USE OF MOBILE PHONES ON SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS

Parents are reminded that the use of mobile phones (for any purposes) is not allowed in the school premises, including the playground. Some parents have requested that the school takes a stronger line on this as a few parents are not following this rule.



STARS OF THE WEEK

EYFS	Lavender	Sarah Akter	Ibrahim Sheak
	Sunflower	Kairah Rahman	Abel Ettoumi
	Bluebell	Mashfi Hossain	Maminul Haque
	Daffodil	Fariza Hassan	Afracim Haque
Team 2	Camellia	Mehak Chowdhury	Ayaan Miah
	Honeysuckle	Mariyah Sadique	Walid Khan
	Geranium	Amelia Khanom	Zayd Ali
	Rose	Khadija Safa	Islam Miah
Team 3	Ivy	Arfa Chowdhury	Hamidur Chowdhury
	Tulip	Maryam Kalam	Affaan Ghouri
	Crocus	Zainab Amanah	Manhazul Haque
	Hydrangea	Leona Biba	Arafat Hussain
Team 4	Hyacinth	Zara Ahmed	Adam Islam
	Violets	Aysha Islam	Naeem Ahmed
	Orchid	Ayesha Sarker	Musa Karim
	Poppy	Momoriya Md	Kayan Alam

BRIGHT MINDS- STAR OF THE WEEK

Group	Name/Star	Reason
Year 4 Shobuj	Jui Fakur	Focused learning
Year 4 Cagaar	Omar Shah	Attendance + pace and balance
Year 4 Akhdaar	Olivia Anwar	Great support to others
Year 5 Shobuj	Nahian Zaman	Attendance
Year 5 Cagaar	Yaqoob Ahnaf	High Expectations
Year 5 Akhdaar	Abdiwahid Sulieman	Pace and balance
Year 6 Shobuj	Tanisha Jannat	Attendance
Year 6 Cagaar	Zahara Momin	High Expectations
Year 6 Akhdaar	Shayan Rahman	High expectations
Year 6 target group	Abyan Chowdhury	High Expectations

Parents are requested to check the newsletter over the half term break and inform their children if they are *Star of the Week*. The 'Stars' will be celebrated on Tuesday 20 February.

It is important that parents inform their children if their name is on the newsletter so that they know for when they return to school after the half term break.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Remember to check your child's school bag for the QR Slip. You will need this for registration to view the photo and order online on the Stanley Baker Studios website.

AIMING FOR EXCELLENCE - YEAR 6

Is your child aiming for excellence as they prepare to move to secondary school? Bigland Green is here to support them and to assist you!

All Year 6 pupils have been provided with an 'aiming for excellence' booklet to complete over the February half-term.

The booklet will give the children the opportunity to revise not only their learning from Year 6 so far, but also the opportunity to revisit certain aspects of their learning from Years 3-5 - helping the pupils to achieve the best possible result for the end of KS2 SATs this May.

The school will be giving special commendation prizes to pupils in the following categories:

1. Pupils who complete the whole booklet to the best of their ability
 2. Pupils who demonstrate exceptional efforts
 3. Pupils who complete the whole booklet and show that they have received fantastic support from their parents/carers
 4. Pupils who complete the whole booklet to the best of their ability and include additional learning
- Three pupils from each category, a total of 12 pupils, will receive the prizes.

All completed booklets must be submitted to the class teacher on Tuesday 20 February.

RECEPTION VISIT TO IDEA STORE

Reception visited the Idea Store this week and met one of the librarians, who read a story to the class. They learnt a little about the role of being a librarian and had time to explore the books in the library.



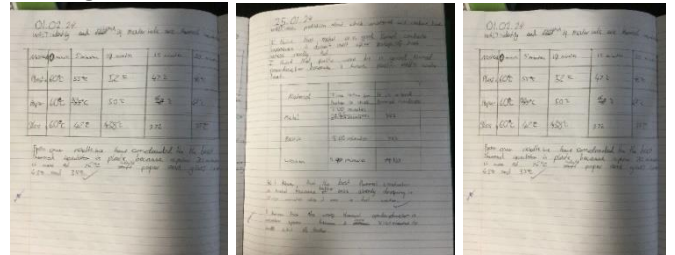
Every child went home with an application form so that as a family you can have a library card and take out books together.

PARENT CONFERENCES

Parent conferences will be held on Thursday 22 and Friday 23 of February. Please add these dates to your diary.

THIS WEEK'S LEARNING IN HYACINTH

For science this half term, Hyacinth have been looking at properties of materials. They have been exploring electrical conductors and insulators along with thermal conductors and insulators. The children have set up experiments using different materials and testing strategies.



In art this week, Hyacinth have been programming their monitors for their cases, which they have designed throughout the term.



YEAR 2 VISIT TO ALL HALLOWS CHURCH

Year 2 visited the All Hallows Church in Tower Hill. They met Jen who was the priest of the church who showed them significant features of the church like the pulpit, alter and chapel. They had a discussion about parables - 'The Lost Coin' and 'The Lost Sheep' and discussed the importance of Jesus' teachings.

The church has a museum with a lot of historical artefacts. Pupils were shown what the priest wears during the Sunday Service which is a congregational prayer at Church that includes rituals of blessing the holy water and wine.



Quote of
the Week

"It always seems impossible until its done"

Nelson Mandela