

Dear Parents, Guardians and Friends

If you follow us on Instagram or Facebook, you will have seen photographs of many of the pupils enjoying their residential trips. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of the staff who volunteered to accompany the pupils, which is always greatly appreciated.



Above, Year 7 pictured at the start of their adventures at the PGL site in Caythorpe. Below, Year 9 pictured on arrival at Blue Peris in Snowdonia having experienced a rather long journey due to the coach breaking down and having to transfer to another coach along the route. Thank you to all the staff involved who made sure all the safety rules were followed whilst waiting. Quite a start to the adventures!



Year 6 had a superb time at Longtown enjoying all the outdoor pursuits.



Finally, Year 5 took to the great outdoors, sleeping under canvas and learning all about Bushcraft skills.

I am sure there were some very tired Year 5 and 6 pupils over the King's Coronation weekend, so it was great for them to have an extra day to recover from their experience.



In the run up to the Coronation, it was lovely to see the younger pupils getting into the spirit of things and making their own paper crowns and images of the King. We also celebrated the

occasion on our social media pages with a post highlighting the British Values which are promoted throughout Schools in the UK. I hope you all enjoyed the extra Bank Holiday!

Celebrating the Coronation of HM King Charles III

Supporting British Values:
Individual liberty
Tolerance
Democracy
Mutual respect
The rule of law



Our EYFS Provision was recently rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted, underlining the Independent Schools Inspectorate's judgement of 'Excellent in all areas' for the whole School.

We pride ourselves on providing our youngest children from 4 months to Reception Class with a happy, active, exciting, fun and secure environment, which is crucial to supporting their

development, care and learning needs.





In Reception, the children have had a very exciting few weeks. Whilst they were playing outside in the large digging pit, the children discovered a bone. Following the discovery of the bone, the children have been learning about different bones in their bodies and looking at a range of non-fiction books to support their learning. The children got creative by making their own skeletons and have been using their phonic knowledge to label them.

The discovery of the bone has led to lots of learning about 'Dinosaurs' this half term. They have been looking at non-fiction books and have been writing facts about dinosaurs. Inspired by Reception's interest in the story, 'We're going on a bear hunt' by Michael Rosen, the children have been on a storytelling journey. They have been authors and have created their own version called, 'We're going on a dinosaur hunt'. They have been making maps and binoculars for their dinosaur hunt and they are looking forward to making their class story into their own book. I'm looking forward to seeing them perform their class story and making storyboards.

During Reception's own playing time, the children have thoroughly enjoyed being palaeontologists and have continued to look for other bones in the digging pit. Their imaginations have been captured and it has led to fantastic discussions and a real excitement in the classroom!

BGI Nursery



What fun the children in the nursery have had this week as we celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.

The children have enjoyed a whole host of activities, including making a Union Jack out of rice, paper chains, creating

their own King's guard soldier art work and baking special coronation cakes decorated in red white and blue!



The children talked about King Charles and who will be Queen and how the King will be holding a sceptre and orb when he sits on the throne.

The children were invited to wear their royal dressing up clothes during the week and we had a fine array of kings, queens, princesses, and soldiers, along with the odd 'royal' spiderman!

The children were able to sit on the throne and be King in full royal regalia. They were each given a souvenir photograph to remind them of this historic event.





We have been very pleased to have the Year 9 pupils leading assemblies over the past couple of weeks, with the theme being honesty and respect. The pupils involved delivered the assemblies superbly and should be proud of their contributions.

Student-led assemblies promote student engagement and ownership of their education. Students who become actively involved in the planning and execution of meetings are more likely to be invested in the outcome and feel a sense of pride in their work. Student-led meetings provide an opportunity for students to develop leadership and public speaking skills, which are valuable in all areas of life. These types of assemblies are engaging for the audience as the information is presented in a variety of formats, such as drama skits or musical performances. They are often very entertaining for the audience, which helps to create a positive school culture and community.



Another fantastic assembly was the Juniors celebrating International Dance Day – just look at their happy faces!

Dancing can be a way to stay fit. It has a wide range of physical and mental benefits including:

- improved condition of your heart and lungs
- increased muscular strength, endurance and motor fitness
- increased aerobic fitness
- improved muscle tone and strength
- weight management
- stronger bones and reduced risk of osteoporosis
- better coordination, agility and flexibility
- improved balance and spatial awareness
- increased physical confidence
- improved mental functioning
- improved general and psychological wellbeing
- greater self-confidence and self-esteem
- better social skills.



With the benefits of dance clear, we are pleased to be introducing it as a GCSE subject this September, with a number of our current Year 9 students choosing it as an option





Summer sports have arrived, with cricket, rounders and athletics dominating the sports lessons.

Well done to our Year 6 participants who took part in the Commonwealth Games Sports Festival recently.

I was delighted to learn that our Under 11 girls football team won their most recent fixture, remaining unbeaten so far! Excellent effort by all involved.

We've also seen our Under 9 cricket team winning a local competition which allows them to go on to the next round.

I would like to mention Henry Kotecha who was chosen for the Honesty Award at a recent rounders competition – well done Henry!

Finally, thank you to the staff involved in organising the trip to the ladies' football at King Power Stadium, Leicester v. Liverpool.



Junior School Stars of the Week

Class	w/c 24 th April	w/c 1 st May
Forest (Reception)	Ari Ubhi	Paige Hoffman
1M (Meadow)	Arya Sohal	Masha Sternyk
2C (Clover)	Luca Newman	Hugo Acquah
3E (Emerald)	Harry Stock	Jesse Bates
3W (Willow)	Bentley Hoffman + Arthur Woodlock	Arabella Taylor
4J (Jade)	Sofia Chiuchiolo	Rupert Wilson and James Warne
4S (Sage)	Eliza Burchell	Eliza-Priya Dass
5W (Woodland)	Holly Ardis	5W for being great at Bushcraft and those who remained
5P (Pine)	Valentina Lopez	5P for being great at Bushcraft and those who remained
6J (Juniper)	Henry Wooddisse	William Wood
6F (Fern)	Isabella Diffey	Will McHugh
6L (Laurel)	Hema Hindocha	6L great effort at Longtown and those who remained

Principal's Awards

Rebekka Nethersole for maths classwork.

Armaan Faiz for his geography homework.

Deborah Nyamtowo her Sepoy rebellion diary entry in history.

Reuben Lamb and Matthew Broadbent for creating a robotic arm.

Dates for your diary

Don't forget to book your tickets for the Ball at Pavenham Golf Club on 16th June. Tickets are selling fast so please contact Gina at gciuro@bedfordgreenacre.co.uk.

Saturday 8th July Summer Fayre at Kimbolton Road from 11 am to 1.30 pm.

Friday 8th September Welcome BBQ at Kimbolton Road from 4.30 to 6 pm.

Auction of Promises autumn term 2023, date to be confirmed.

Personal Pursuits



Congratulations to Freddie and Maddison for representing Northampton Saints Academy recently.

Well done to Heath, Dominic, Toby and Noah for their first game of the season for Biddenham Cricket Club, with a win.

I would also like to say well done to Liliana Sepede from Year 4 who performed at Bedford Corn Exchange in their production of the musical Grease recently.






I enjoy hearing about out-of-school activities and successes as celebrating calls attention to what is important to recognise, which adds to students' self-esteem and confidence and also might encourage other students to take an interest too.

Last week a letter regarding uniform was sent out and the students have also spoken with their form tutors about the expectations. I would like to thank you all for helping to support the School with high standards of attire, which contributes to our reputation in the local area; our high standards are something we are very proud of and wish to maintain and value your support in this matter.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'I M Daniel'.

I M Daniel, BA (QTS), NPQH
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