

# Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well here we are at the end of another year and what a year it has been! I am sure the children are all looking forward to a rest, as I know the staff are.

My thanks go especially this year to the children at Baines, who have shown tremendous resilience. They have been in school and out of school during lockdown, they have been back in school and some classes have been sent home - all of which has been dealt with in such an amazing, positive way. I would like to thank the parents who have done their upmost to support us during this difficult time, supporting their children and the school when many of you have been working yourselves - we do really appreciate it.

I would like to thank the Governors and the Trustees for their support this year - I know many of them prefer to speak face to face, but we have all become very adept at using Zoom!

Obviously, I would like to thank the most amazing staff we have working here at Baines who go above and beyond for the children and the school.

They never fail to amaze me and their team spirit is second to none. Thank you staff with all my heart.

Finally, I hope you all enjoy your holiday. I hope the weather is good for us all and that everyone manages to enjoy time with their family.

Take care everyone and I am looking forward to seeing you back with us on Thursday 2nd September 2021.



Very best wishes.  
Gill Finney,  
Headteacher.

## Dates For Your Diary

THURSDAY 2nd September 2021 -

start of the new term



18th October - Individual photographs - am

## Goodbye and Good Luck



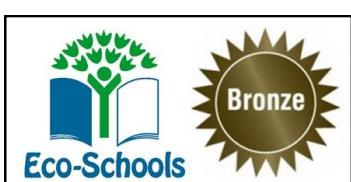
Mr Jurczak leaves us today to embark on his teaching journey in Kuwait, where he will teach a Year 6 class. He has taught at Baines since 2016, developing the experiences of the Year 1 children over the years.

He has also led PE and Sport throughout school and encouraged the children to perform to the best of their ability on many occasions. He has supported many of the Year 6 residential trips, sometimes on the very last minute! One lasting memory will be of him helping me out when a child threw their shoe on top of a wardrobe to get rid of the spiders! I couldn't reach, but Mr Jurczak managed to get up to retrieve it, however, we were not sure how he was going to get down! As he moves to warmer climes, we wish him all the very best and hope that all his dreams come true. Take care and good luck for the future Mr Jurczak.

Goodbye also to all our wonderful Year 6 children. We have watched you grow and develop over the years and we could not be more proud of everything you have achieved.

Hopefully, you will be leaving Baines with some amazing memories that you will treasure for a long time to come and all these experiences will have helped to shape you into the wonderful young people you are today.

We wish you all the very best on the next step of your education journey and can't wait to hear about your achievements. Please do let us know.



## Merit Assembly

### Merit Winners—Well done Everyone!

#### Friday 9th July 2021

Reception— Elijah Cross and Oscar Johnson

Year 1— Joshua Bradley and Ellie Chapman

Year 2— Ben Dickinson and Will Shaw

Year 3— Grace Thorpe

Year 4— Summer Wilmot and Max Walker

Year 5— Jessica McIlvennie and Darcey Hart

Year 6— Lewis Cardwell and Scarlett Bramley

#### Friday 16th July 2021

Reception— All of Reception

Year 1— Izzy Sugden and Evelyn Aspden

Year 2— All of Year 2

Year 3— Lukas Cross

Year 4— All Year 4

Year 5— Serenna Hunte and Jessica Holford

Year 6— All of Year 6

Headteacher Award - All the amazing children and staff at Baines and Mr Jurczak

## JBs and Early Birds

Just to let you know that Early Birds are full every morning from September.

JBs do have spaces in the evening, apart from Thursday, from which they are operating a waiting list. Many thanks.

## Uniform Shop

Just to let you know that the uniform shop re-opens on September 15th 2021 at 10.00am.

## Welcome

We welcome Miss Wilks into our Baines family as from September. Miss Wilks will teach Year 4 and has already met the Year 3 children a few times. I know they are looking forward to having her as their teacher.



## Celebration of Past Pupils

We have found out some very exciting news over the last few weeks which we would like to share with you. Evan Martin has been appointed Deputy Head Boy at St Aidans. Maisie Green has been awarded the Economics Prize at Blackpool 6th Form and Maximus Nelson, who plays for AFC Fylde took part in a football final in Oxford at the weekend, winning 5-2 making them now the Under 13 National Junior Premier Champions. Well done to everyone - we are all very proud of you.

## Congratulations

Well done to Joshua Elson who has won the Manager's Player of the Match. Josh plays for Poulton Town Pumas and has obviously shown as much determination and drive playing football as he does in school. Wonderful news Josh! Also congratulations to Ada Carter who was awarded her Red Tag in Taekwondo a few weeks ago. This is also wonderful news! If your child has achieved something outside of school, please let me know so that we can celebrate it in our newsletters.

## Dinner Money

Just to inform you that dinner money will increase to £2.35 per day for the new academic year.

Could I kindly remind parents of Year 2 children moving into Year 3, that school dinners will require payment as from September.

## Covid-19

Just to let you know that if we have to close a bubble due to a positive test for Covid, then work will be set by the staff for the children to complete the following day. Recently only a few children have submitted work, but we would be expecting all the class to do so.

## Year 6 Residential

Year 6 had an amazing time on their residential in Shropshire. They were sleeping in wooden chalets - something we haven't done before - and I have heard some lovely stories about their time there. It was wonderful that in these difficult times the children were able to go and that was through the commitment of the school team. Therefore my thanks go to Mr Leah and Mrs Hedges for organising the trip, Mrs Gorrie, Mr Jurczak and Mr Redman who all volunteered to accompany the trip and some on the very last minute! Thank you so very much.



## Outdoor Learning

Mrs Mylecraine and Mrs Gorrie would like to say a huge thank you to all the children for their wonderful enthusiasm throughout the year come rain or shine! Special thanks to all the parents and carers for all the support and the washing!!!!

Have a wonderful summer and don't forget to take photographs if you are busy in your own gardens over the summer.

A special thank you to Mrs Mylecraine and Mrs Gorrie for all their hard work and determination with Outdoor Learning this year. They have been determined to make this a success and they certainly have! Thank you.

## Organisation for Next Year

As far as we know, all school bubbles will cease from Monday 19th July 2021 and therefore we will be expecting that school will return to normal hours as from 2nd September 2021.

- We are expecting all Key Stage 1 children to enter their classroom via the Key Stage 1 playground doors. These will open at 8.45am - please note the new time - usually 8.50am.
- The Key Stage 2 children will enter the school at 8.45am via the Station Road door, opposite The Bay Horse.
- School will officially begin at 8.55am, when the registers will be taken, but there will be activities for the children to access when they enter school from 8.45am so that they can settle themselves in before the start of the school day.
- At 8.55am, the school gate to the KS1 playground will be closed and the main school door at Station Road will be locked. Any children arriving late, will have to be escorted to the Office where they will be buzzed in by the Office staff.
- All children will be collected from these same points at the end of the day, which will be 3.20pm for everyone.
- Children will come into school in full school uniform, unless it is their PE day and then they will come into school in their PE kit and stay in it all day (burgundy sweatshirt/cardigan and burgundy/black joggers and blue round neck t-shirt).
- There will no PE on Thursday and Friday 2nd and 3rd September 2021, so that the staff have time to tell you when their PE sessions are.
- Children will be able to play together in the playgrounds at break time.
- We will continue to stagger the lunchtime sessions of the children, as we have found these to be very successful in curbing the many arguments the staff have had to previously deal with after lunch.
- The groups of Key Stage 2 children eating and playing together will change over the year so that all children have the opportunity to play with different year groups.

**PLEASE NOTE** - if anything changes at all over the Summer months I will send a letter out via Parentmail informing you of any changes. If you do not hear from me then the points above will remain in place.

Many thanks for your support and understanding.

## Thank you

I would just like to thank all the families who have given me a card and or present at the end of the school year. I greatly appreciate all your kind words and generous gifts.  
Thank you so very much - I truly appreciate them all.



## And finally ...



We have had a difficult year and everyone has worked so hard.  
I hope that you all have a wonderful summer, each and every one of you and enjoy your time together as a family doing all the things you love to do.  
Take care and see you soon!