# BALFOUR JUNIOR SCHOOL



Friday 26th April 2024

A **Beyond** ACADEMY

#### **Important Dates:**



Year 5 visits to Guildhall Museum:

5H & 5K Wednesday 1st May 5C & 5R Friday 3rd May

Year 6 residential trip:

Friday 17th—Sunday 19th May

Year 6 sleepover:

Friday 17th—Saturday 18th May

**May Bank Holiday** (school closed):

Monday 6th May

Year 5 Gurdwara vis-

5C & 5K—Monday 20th May 5R & 5H—Friday 24th May

Last day of term 5 and TAG day: Friday 24th

First day of term 6: Monday 3rd June



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#### **Outdoor Play and Learning**

Our architects and engineers of the future have been busy this week, enjoying den-building at lunchtime. There has been great teamwork, imagination and resilience to build a host of dens in different shapes and sizes. Thank you to everyone who donated items, including cheaprope.co.uk, who donated a large amount of beautiful rope for us to use. We are still collecting pallets, plastic crates, plastic pipes and cable reels to add to our collection!

### Goodbye and good luck!

We are sad to say goodbye to Mrs Ryan today, as she is retiring

from her role as Midday Supervisor. Mrs Ryan has worked at Balfour for 21 years and has supported many pupils and colleagues in this time. We would like to thank her for everything she has done for the school over the years to help make lunchtimes fun and safe. We will miss you Mrs Ryan and hope you enjoy some lovely retirement adventures!



We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor position on our Governing Board. This role is crucial in representing the views and interests of parents, as well as contributing to the strategic decision-making processes that shape the future of our school.

The Parent Governor will work alongside other governors and staff to ensure that Balfour Junior School continues to provide a high-quality education for all our pupils. This is a fantastic opportunity to actively engage in the school community and make a positive impact on the educational experience of our children. If you are passionate about education, dedicated to supporting our school, and willing to commit some time and expertise to this important role, we encourage you to consider applying for the Parent Governor position. To find out more, please speak to Mrs Mayston, who is happy to discuss what the role entails.

#### Well done!

Well done to Amelia in Year 5, as she completed a sponsored readathon over the Easter holiday—raising over £600 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society! Amelia also got a shout out on Heart radio on the morning of her readathon with Amanda Holden and Jamie Theakston cheering her on which she was really excited about.

This is what Amelia wrote about it and sent to family and friends to raise sponsorship:

The MS Society supports people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS). My Dad has this condition which causes him a lot of pain and he sometimes forgets things. This can also lead to tiredness.

There is no cure for MS yet. However, there is new research happening all the time and The MS Society is helping that research. They are helping to move closer to their vision of a world free of MS.

Well done Amelia—we are so proud of you!

## Achievement Award

Well done to the following pupils for receiving this week's Achievement Award!			
3L: Gursan	3M: Jaxon	3P: Lily	3H: Sartaaj
4H: Aganya	40'K: Daniel	4T: Leo	4B: Bronwen
5C: Eddy	5H: Victor	5K: Uzair	5R: Georgia
6K: Annabelle	6L: Gloria	6Ma: Chloe	6Mo: Qasim



