

# NEWSLETTER



**BALFOUR**  
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Friday 30th June 2023

A **Beyond** ACADEMY

## Important Dates:



**Year 5/6 summer disco**—Monday 3rd July

**Year 3/4 summer disco**—Thursday 6th July

**Transition day—meet your new teacher**—Thursday 6th July

**Year 3 Kent life trip:**

Lowry & Picasso - Tuesday 11th July

**Year 6 Leavers Festival:**  
Friday 14th July

**Last day of term 6 and TAG Day:**  
Friday 21st July

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## Sports Day

The weather was (mostly) warm, the ice-poles were cold and we all had a wonderful sports day today! The children had lots of fun taking part in a range of throwing and jumping events this morning, and the track events took place this afternoon. Thank you to all the staff for setting up this morning and preparing the children so well, especially Miss Johnson and Mrs Riley who organised the day. Thanks also go to Mrs Boniface, Mrs Denny, Mrs Dennis and Mrs Misy for serving the refreshments.



We are very grateful to all of the parents and carers who attended to cheer the children on and contribute to a lovely atmosphere. Finally, congratulations to the amazing pupils who showed great determination and teamwork today! As we had to end the day before the winners' races due to the rain, we will re-organise them for next week and announce the winning house.

## Goodbye, congratulations and welcome!

We are very sad to share that Mrs Dennis, our SENco, will be retiring in July. Mrs Dennis has been the school's SENco since 2016, and has worked at Balfour since 2008. She has supported a vast number of pupils and their families, and has worked tirelessly to secure the best possible outcomes for our pupils. We would like to thank Mrs Dennis for her hard work and dedication to improving the lives of so many children and their families. She will be sadly missed by everyone and we wish her all the best for the exciting new adventures ahead.

Congratulations go to Miss Kember, who has been appointed as the school's new SENco. She will be taking over the role in September and has been working hard with Mrs Dennis to ensure a smooth and thorough handover. As Miss Kember will not be class-based in her new role, Miss Green will be joining us as a class teacher. Miss Green completed her teacher training with us in 2021/22 and we are so delighted that she is returning to the Balfour Community.

## Discos



The Friends of Balfour summer discos are taking place next week—Years 5 & 6 on Monday 3rd July and Years 3 & 4 on Thursday 6th July. The children may bring a small amount of money to spend on snacks and drinks, please ensure any money is in a named purse or wallet. If your child is attending the disco, please collect them at 4:30pm.

**6x7=42**

## Times Table Fact of the Week!

This week's fact is  $6 \times 7 = 42$

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## Achievement Award



Well done to the following pupils for receiving this week's Achievement Award!

3L— Freya P	3M— Amy	3H— Aisha	3P — Freddie
4B— Kai	4H— Harley	4O'K—Olivia	4T — Bailey
5H— Alex	5R — Maryam	5C— Elleisha-Mai	5K— Woody
6Mo— Myla	6Ma— Charlie	6L— Georgia, Amelia, Elodie & Laura	6K— Zach

