



Friday 14th July 2023

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SCHOOLS TRUST

Important Dates:

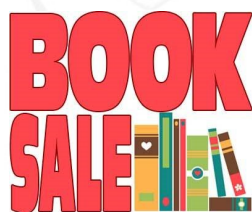


Last day of term 6 and
TAG Day:
Friday 21st July

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First day of term 1
2023—Monday 4th
September



There will be a
pre-loved book
sale on Tuesday
18th July after
school

All books 50p
Stock up for the
summer holidays!



End of year reports

We are looking forward to sending home your child's end of year report on Monday 17th July. This will contain the details of your child's effort and attainment in each subject as well as comments for English, maths, science and a general class teacher comment.

If there is anything in the report that you would like to discuss, school will be open until 4pm on Wednesday 19th July for you to talk to the class teacher.

Behaviour compliments

We have had a number of compliments recently, about how polite, sensible and well behaved Balfour pupils are. These include comments from a Local Authority visitor, staff from local secondary schools, a member of Beyond Schools Trust head office staff, a local care home manager, staff at the swimming pool, staff at venues we have visited on school trips, MFSE staff and work experience students. Positive behaviour and attitudes to learning, along with good manners, are always a priority for the school and it is wonderful to hear that our pupils are being recognised for this. We are very proud of them and would like to thank you for your ongoing support.

Be Proud
Well Done

Local Authority safeguarding visit

In June, we invited the Medway Education safeguarding Officer to visit the school to review our safeguarding culture and systems with us. This involved discussions with staff and pupils, and a parent survey. We would like to thank the parents who completed the survey to share their views. The responses were generally very positive and provided details of the strengths in our safeguarding procedures. The average score for how safe the school was (rated between 1-5) was 4.62 and parents' average score was 4.70/5 in response to how easy it was to contact someone at school if they have a worry. Areas for us to explore further are end of the day procedures and sharing more information about the school's approach to anti-bullying to ensure we highlight how we take a proactive approach to prevent bullying and tackle it if it does arise. Through speaking to staff and pupils, it was noted that pupils' understanding of online safety is very strong and they were able to clearly describe the many opportunities they have to learn about keeping safe.

Times Table Fact of the Week!

This week's fact is $11 \times 12 = 132$



Achievement Award



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

3L— the whole class	3M— Maria S	3H— Casper	3P — the whole class
4B— Jack	4H— Daniel	4O'K— Aous	4T — Heston
5H— David	5R — Safiya	5C— Scarlett	5K— the whole class
6Mo— Simran	6Ma— Maisy	6L— Leonard	6K— Scarlett