

NEWSLETTER



BALFOUR
JUNIOR SCHOOL

Friday 8th September 2023

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Important Dates:



Meet the Teacher

9:00am—9:30am

Year 5 – Monday 11th
September

Year 4 – Thursday 14th
September

Year 6 – Monday 18th
September

Year 3 – Friday 22nd
September

Medway tests (Y6):

Tuesday 12th and
Wednesday 13th
September

Individual school

photos: Tuesday 19th
September



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Welcome to the start of the new year, to our new pupils and families and everyone who is returning from the summer holidays. We hope you had a great summer and are excited for the year ahead.

Meet the teacher

There will be an opportunity to meet your child's teacher during "Meet the Teacher" sessions, which are being held over the next few weeks. The meetings will be approximately half an hour and you will have the chance to talk to the teacher and ask any questions you may have. There is no need to book, please come to the main office on the morning of the meeting for your child's year group.

Uniform and PE kit

It's always lovely to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms for the start of the new school year! Please make sure your child/ren wear the correct uniform and PE kit at all times as it is part of our school policy and home-school agreement. PE t-shirts must be plain white and not football tops, other colours or patterned. We have a regular supply of good quality pre-loved uniform available, via the school office. Jewellery other than stud earrings and watches (not smart watches) are the only jewellery permitted in school. Please also ensure all items of uniform are named, to enable us to return any lost items to their owners. Personalised name labels can be purchased from Stikins. When ordering please use fundraising number 1130 and the school will receive up to 30% commission to spend on things that benefit the children. Please visit www.stikins.co.uk/name-labels/

School communication

Most school communication is via ParentPay, please ensure you have signed up and check regularly. If you have more than one child in the school, please note that you will need to sign up for each child separately. If you need any assistance, please come to the school office. Our website also has essential information and regular updates. We will also share information about school life and special events via Instagram, you can visit us at [balfour_junior_school](https://www.instagram.com/balfour_junior_school)

Reading challenge

Lots of pupils enjoyed taking part in the Summer Reading Challenge at the library. If your child took part they can receive 50 housepoints as a reward if they bring their certificate into school.



Water bottles



It is essential that all pupils have their own water bottle in school to ensure they are able to drink plenty of water throughout the day and stay hydrated, especially as the weather is so hot at the moment. Balfour water bottles can be paid for on ParentPay and collected from the school office if you would like one. Please ensure your child brings their bottle to school every day.

Achievement Award



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



3L— Gursan	3M— Ananya	3P— Callum	3H— Ashton
4H — Allusaine	4O'K— Maxwell	4T— Zlata	4B— Jessica
5C— Ranvir	5H— Alice	5K—Victoria	5R — Jack H
6K— Jonah	6L— Emily	6Ma— Asaiah	6Mo— Kieron

