



BANWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and carers,

I am sure that you have all heard about our fantastic science week! We had spacecraft appearing on the field, which led to some amazing creative writing. The children then began making and testing their own rockets, which will culminate next week with some of our children representing Banwell at a science challenge final at Clevedon School. Well done to everyone involved for making this such an exciting and successful week for the children.

It was an absolute pleasure to be in the audience watching our Year 4 and Year 6 children at The Playhouse in Dance Your Socks Off last week. They did indeed dance their socks off and it was clear to see how much they enjoyed the experience!

Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for Parents' Evening this week. As always it is great to be able to have the opportunity to talk with your children and their teachers about their learning. Thanks also to everyone who added their views to Parentview, the Ofsted website that seeks parents views about schools. Please remember that if you didn't get chance to do this you can login at anytime and complete. We were also encouraged to read so many positive things in our comments book. Your kind words are much appreciated by the staff.

DID YOU REALISE THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO:

PAY HALF PRICE FOR ALL SCHOOL TRIPS?

PAY HALF PRICE FOR RESIDENTIALS (EG, KNAPP HOUSE IN Y6)?

PAY REDUCED FEES FOR BREAKFAST CLUB?

BE ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR YOUR CHILD?

If you are in receipt of benefits or have an income of approximately £16 000 or less this may well apply to you. There are forms to complete to access this entitlement which is known as Pupil Premium. We have the necessary forms in the school office and would be happy to help you complete these forms should you wish.

It may also help to know that all schools receive considerable extra funding for every pupil in receipt of Pupil Premium. This funding helps to support **your child** in school. In these times of significant budget tightening for schools we would encourage all parents who think they could be eligible to apply. Not only will it reduce costs for parents but it will also generate additional income for our school.

Have a great weekend

Claire Pocock

Headteacher

Diary Dates

21st March – *Down Syndrome Awareness Day (wear odd socks)*

24th March – *Red Nose Day (wear red)*

28th March – *KS2 Musician of the Year*

29th March – *KS1 Musician of the Year*

30th March – *Y6 'Churchill Rocks' Trip*

4th April – *Class Photos*

7th April – *Last day of Term 4*

7th April – *Y6 Lifeskills Trip*

10th – 21st April – *Easter Holidays*

24th April – *First day of Term 5*

25th May – *Last day of Term 5*

26th May – *INSET day*

29th May – 2nd June – *Half term holiday*

5th June – *INSET day*

6th June – *First day of Term 6*

Please can we remind all parents and carers to ensure that Breakfast Club and Playpals is booked in advance, via the school office.

This is to ensure that we have sufficient food available for the children attending, and also that we have enough staff to look after your children.

Thanks for your co-operation



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Active Kids

Eat well • Move well • Live well

Don't forget to bring in your Active Kids vouchers! The deadline is 30th June, and we'd hate to miss out on some great resources!



Friday 24th March

To fundraise for Red Nose Day this year we would like to ask everyone to wear red for the day and pay £1!



Tuesday March 21st is World Down Syndrome Day and to raise awareness we'd like to invite all children to come in wearing odd socks!

