

Balfour Infant School



Newsletter 27 Friday 24th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 5. This week has been busy, as always.

Year 1's trip to Shorne Country Park

Year 1 went out on their school trip to Shorne Country Park and had a great time. The children were complimented for their good behaviour by the team at Shorne. Well done Year 1. There will be more about Year 1's trip in next week's newsletter.

Miss Flight

I am sad to share that Miss Flight will be leaving Balfour Infant School on Thursday 30th April. Miss Flight has worked at Balfour since September 2020 and has worked tirelessly to support pupils, past and present. I would like to wish Miss Flight the very best of luck as she moves onto pastures new.

Quiz

Our next school quiz is on Friday 15th May 2026. Further details are at the back of this newsletter. Last year's quiz was a great success, lots of fun and an entertaining evening. This year is set to be even better and the quiz masters are ready with the questions and games. Please join us for a great evening. All money raised goes towards supporting Balfour Infant School.

The deadline to sign up is next Friday 1st May 2026.

Date for your diary

The School Summer Fayre will be held on Saturday 11th July from 12pm – 3pm. More details will follow soon.

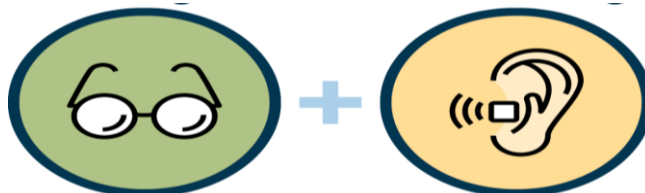
Have a good weekend.

Mr Pomeroy

Headteacher

Vision & Hearing Screening

A reminder that the School Nursing Team will be visiting us next Tuesday to carry out vision and hearing screening for our Reception children. All children will be seen by the nursing team unless you have opted out of the checks for your child online.



Fortis Trust Information Sessions

Thank you to all the parents and carers who returned the slip about the information sessions being offered by the Fortis Trust.

The two most popular sessions have been organised for Term 5 and 6 as follows:

Coffee morning – Tuesday 19th May 9.00 – 10.00 am

Supporting behaviour at home

Coffee afternoon – Tuesday 23rd June 2.00 – 3.00 pm

Typical child development

Both sessions will take place in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you there.

Home School Agreement

We recently sent home our new Home School Agreement.

Please would you sign and return the slip to confirm that you have shared this with your child by Monday. Thank you

Just a reminder...



Starting School 2026 and Junior School Transfer

Don't forget that if you have a reception aged child starting school with us in September 2026, you must return your acceptance form and proof of address (i.e. a copy of your latest council tax bill) to us by the Medway Council deadline of Thursday 14th May 2026.

May I please also remind our Year 2 parents that Thursday 14th May is the deadline for accepting Junior School places.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Attendance

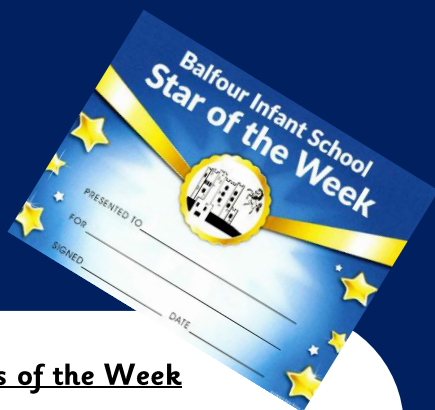
Bumblebee 94%	Dragonfly 100%	Ladybird 97.7%
Nightingale 94.2%	Sparrow 97.5%	Woodpecker 100%
Badger 87.9%	Hedgehog 95.4%	Otter 100%

Overall School Attendance: 96.2%

Our whole school target is: 96%.



Celebrating Our Achievements



Stars of the Week

This week our 'Star of the Week' certificates were presented to children linked to our core value of Respect.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Aoife	Thomas	Willow
Dhiyanshi	Manuella	Sofia
Destiny-Lee	Felix	Arwen
Joshua	Austin	Raye
Sylvia	Ite	Lia
AJ	Harry	Sehaj



Handwriting award winners

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Sahiba	Billy	Tomas
Anabia	Olivia	Aoife
Elsie	Nancy-Beau	John



House Points

House	Points
Ruby	291
Diamond	303
Emerald	329
Sapphire	328

Well done to Emerald!



BALFOUR INFANT SCHOOL

QUIZ NIGHT

**FRIDAY 15TH MAY
2026**

7 PM START

Tables are £40 per table with a maximum of eight people per table. All money raised goes towards the school.

Bring your own nibbles and drinks.

REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE



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