

Balfour Infant School



Newsletter 20 Friday 13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another busy term, the children have been reflecting on their achievements throughout the term. Well done to all of our certificate winners for this term.



House Points: Congratulations to Ruby House, who are the winning team for this half term with a whopping 2321 points! This afternoon the children enjoyed their winning house treat in the hall with myself and Miss Watson.

Events diary for Term 4: I have attached the events diary for Term 4 to the back of this newsletter for your information.

Thank you for your support throughout the term.

School reopens on 23rd February 2026.

Have a lovely half term break.

Mr Pomeroy

Self-belief
In Year Two, the children tried their best with their art work and were proud of their accomplishments.

One Picture
Year 2

Popart
Recreating Lichtenstein's 'Explosion'

Superheroes
Villains

Year R
We explored the work of Andy Warhol and his repeated prints.
Reception have been exploring Pop Art with a focus on the artist Steve Gleisberg and his glass sculptures.
We read a book 'The Queen's Jam Sandwich'. Using our cutting skills, we made our own giant sandwiches.
We explored printing with different materials and also used our collage skills to rig, tear, wrap and glue paper to decorate an ice lolly.
We observed (and) made vegetable (and) fruit prints.

Curiosity
The children showed curiosity when exploring printing. They experimented with different tools and resources to achieve a range of effects both in clay and on paper.

Look at our One Picture gallery displays!



Lost Property

Our lost property box will be emptied after school today and all remaining items either recycled or disposed of. If your child has misplaced an item, please come and have a look in lost property before the end of the day.

Please can I ask you to ensure that all of your child's items are named, so that misplaced items can be returned to their owners. Thank you.



Nut Free School

A reminder that we are a nut free school. As we have children at our school who have severe nut allergies, please do not send nuts or products containing nuts in your child's packed lunch. Please be extra mindful of hidden nuts that may be in confectionary bars and sandwich fillings. Thank you for your co-operation.



Previous attachment

Could you foster? It's a **W**onderful thing

As a foster carer with us, you'll:

- work mainly from home (with travel around Medway)
- receive payments, allowances and a council tax discount
- join a supportive community
- develop your skills.

Visit: [Medway.gov.uk/Fostering](https://www.medway.gov.uk/Fostering)
to find out more.





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 Independence.

Reception	Year 1	Year 2
Tilly	Subashri	Seb
Zoha	Teddy	Miller
Avi	Bertie	Sarina
Clementine	Oggy	Killian
Conor	Taran	Lennie
Sylvia	Eden	Georgie



House Points

House	Points
Ruby	373
Diamond	324
Emerald	371
Sapphire	362

Well done to Ruby!

House Point Totals for the Term

House	Points
Ruby	2321
Diamond	2054
Emerald	2302
Sapphire	2124

House Champions



Ruby House has earned the most house points this term.

**Term Three
February 2026**



Events Diary

Term Four 2026

Date	School event	Information
23/2/26	Year Two History workshops on the 'Great Fire of London'	Year Two are beginning their History learning with class drama workshops on the 'Great Fire of London'.
2/3/26 8:55- 9.10 2.45-3.00	Year R Book Buzz	Parents are invited to sign up to join their child in class either at the beginning or end of the day to share a story with them.
3/3/25 8:55- 9.10 2.45-3.00	Year 1 Book Buzz	Parents are invited to sign up to join their child in class either at the beginning or end of the day to share a story with them.
4/3/26 8:55- 9.10 2.45-3.00	Year 2 Book Buzz	Parents are invited to sign up to join their child in class either at the beginning or end of the day to share a story with them.
5/3/26	World Book Day and author visit	We will have an author visiting us and taking workshops with the classes through the day. Children are invited to come to school wearing their pyjamas and bringing their favourite book with them.
9/3/26	Class Photographs	The photographer will be taking class photographs All children in full school uniform today please. No PE clothes.
10/3/26 3:30 – 5:00 12/3/26 3:30 – 7:00	Parent Consultations	Parents and carers are invited to make an appointment with their child's class teacher to review the children's books and discuss the next steps in learning.
13/3/26	Chocolate Tag Day	Children to wear their own clothes in exchange for donating chocolate and Easter goodies
16/3/26 – 27/3/26	Walkin' and Wheelin' Challenge (Medway Event)	During this two week period, families are challenged to walk or wheel to school as often as possible.
17/3/26	British Science Week	More details to follow
20/3/26	Red Nose Day	Children to wear their own clothes and create crazy hair styles for 50p or £1.
1/4/26	Spring Craft Day	Children to be doing Spring craft activities across year groups.
2/4/26	Spring Bonnet Parade Last Day of Term 4	Children to design and make a bonnet at home to join the parade. Parents are invited to watch. More information to follow. School uniform on this day please.





ATTENDANCE MATTERS

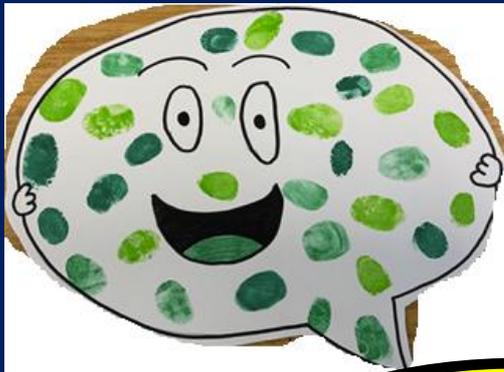


Attendance

Bumblebee 93.2%	Dragonfly 89.7%	Ladybird 88.4%
Nightingale 97.9%	Sparrow 94.2%	Woodpecker 92.2%
Badger 93.3%	Hedgehog 97.9%	Otter 100%

Overall School Attendance: 94.5%

Our whole school target is: 96%.



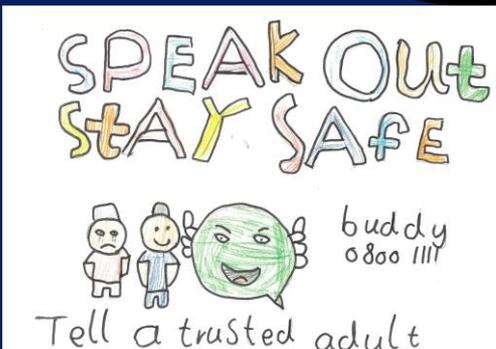
Remember to

Speak out. Stay safe.



You can speak to the police, Grandad, Dad, Mum or a teacher.

We can talk to an aunty or an uncle.



You all have the right to speak out and stay safe.

