

Collecting Children from School

Please can we remind parents/carers to inform the school office if someone different than usual is collecting your child from school. Please note that we cannot release pupils to anyone under the age of 16, unless there are exceptional circumstances, in which case a letter must be sent to Mrs Bevan via the class teacher prior to the day in question. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Fright Night 2nd November

Thank you to everyone that supported Fright Night. The event was well attended and there were some amazing costumes! Thank you to the PA for the hard work in organising this popular event.

Online Payments Launch

From Monday 13th November we are going cashless. Your child will bring home a letter with details of how to register and use the online payment system. This means all payments for trips, Breakfast and After School Club and sundry items such as ties and water bottles will now be made online. We will no longer be able to accept cash or cheques. Thank you for your support with this exciting new initiative.

Toy Sale – Donations Welcome

Donations of good condition, used toys, games, books etc would be gratefully received by Monday 6th November.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will take place on Monday 13th November. Parents/carers will be able to book a session from Monday 6th November when full details will be sent home.

Healthy Schools Reminder

Please can we remind parents/carers that as a Healthy School, chocolate bars are not allowed in lunch boxes. We would also encourage you to ask your child to put uneaten items back into their lunch box so you can see which items they are not eating.

Please be mindful that Sunny Bank is also a **nut free school**. We have children with serious nut allergies in our school and so **no nuts or nut products including Nutella** are allowed in school at any time. Thank you for your support.

Harvest Assembly

Thank you to everyone that was able to join us for our Harvest Assembly. Thank you also for your generous donations of food and toiletries which have been collected by a food bank charity that helps people in the local area.



Pupils Meet Gymnastics Star Beth Tweddle MBE

A group of pupils had the opportunity to enjoy a gymnastics session with Olympic champion Beth Tweddle MBE in October.



Beth was at Total Fitness promoting her Gymnastics Academy.

Poppy Appeal & Remembrance Service

Poppies will be on sale in school from Monday 6th – Friday 10th November. Suggested donation for poppies is from 50p and suggested donation for other items is from £1. Year Six will be selling poppies in the playground at break time.

Representatives from Sunny Bank Primary will participate in a wreath laying ceremony at Unsworth Cenotaph at 10.50am on Sunday 12th November. All families are welcome to attend this commemoration and the church service at St George's at 9.30am should you wish.

Staffing news

We are delighted to welcome Miss Burdaky as our new B&A Club Manager. We also warmly welcome Miss Oliver to B&A Club and our new Midday Supervisor Miss Woods. The new staff members have all enjoyed getting to know our pupils.

Christmas Fair

The Christmas fair will take place on **Friday 8th December from 3.15 – 5.30pm**. The Parents Association would be very grateful for donations to three tombola stalls.



We will hold three non-uniform days before the fair (a letter will be sent home soon with full details) and will ask the children to bring in donations on those days. Volunteers to help on the day are also sought.

PA Meeting

The next PA Meeting will take place on Tuesday 7th November at 2pm in school. All welcome.

Bonfire Night at Unsworth Cricket Club



Unsworth Cricket Club will be holding a Bonfire Night on Saturday 4th November. Tickets: £3 U12s & £5 adults in advance, available direct from club Tuesday to Saturday evenings. See: www.unsworthcc.co.uk

Panto

Our school visit to the Panto will be to see Sleeping Beauty at Middleton Arena on Wednesday 6th December. Parents/carers will shortly receive a letter with details and will use the new cashless system to make payment.

Children in Need



Children in Need will take place on Friday 17th November. Children are invited to wear something spotty in addition to their school uniform for a contribution of £1.

MAT News - Headteacher of East Ward David Waites' visit to Buckingham Palace

On Monday 16th October, David Waites, Headteacher at East Ward Primary School part of Vision Multi Academy Trust was invited to take part in an Education Forum at Buckingham Palace. The invite was from the Duke of York in his role as Executive Chairman of The Outward Bound Trust.

East Ward Community Primary School has used the Outward Bound Trust to help deliver their outdoor curriculum and to ensure that children are given the opportunity to have extraordinary experiences. Their most recent trip was in the Lake District where a group of 24 children explored the area around Lake Ullswater. The children were led on expeditions on and off the Lake that included gorge walking, orienteering and sailing.

Whilst within the Palace, David met many other Headteachers who share a similar vision of putting outdoor learning at the heart of the curriculum. It was an amazing experience that took place within the Ballroom of the Palace- an extraordinary setting for a very informative and enlightening meeting.

Shop for Schools returns

You can help Sunny Bank Primary whilst you shop at the Millgate Shopping Centre in Bury. From 1st October - 31st December, for every £1 spent in the shopping centre our school could earn one point.



The more points we receive the more chance our school has of winning. All the points collected for participating schools will be added up and the school with the most points per pupil will win £750. To redeem points for schools, shoppers are asked to simply visit Customer Services on Minden Parade and show us their receipts for any items they have purchased in Mill Gate Shopping Centre.

Diary Dates

Thursday 9 th November	Reception Class eye tests
Tuesday 7 th November 2pm	PA meeting all welcome
Friday 10 th November	Y1 hearing tests
Sunday 12 th November	Remembrance Day 10.50am Cenotaph
Monday 13 th November	Parents' Evening
Friday 17 th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 22 nd November	Non-Uniform Day – Chocolate tombola donations please
Thursday 23 rd November	Individual pupil photographs – New date
Friday 24 th November 9am	Y4 Class Assembly
Thursday 30 th November	Non-Uniform Day – Rainbow tombola donations please
Wednesday 6 th December	Panto
Thursday 7 th December	Non-Uniform Day – Bottle tombola donations please
Friday 8 th December 9am	Y3 Class Assembly
Friday 8 th December 3.15-5.30pm	Christmas Fair
Thursday 14 th December 9.30am and 2pm	R/Y1/Y2 Nativity performance
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Jumper Day