



Balderstone St Leonard's CE Primary Newsletter

"rooted and grounded in love..." Ephesians 3:17

Friday 9th June 2023

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Mrs Gow's Words for the Week...



Welcome back to the second half of our summer term everyone! What a blessing the weather has been over the past two weeks. It was lovely to hear the children recounting all their fun in the sun over half-term break. Time is certainly flying and I definitely know we are in the final few weeks of the school year, as the stage is up and the children are busy learning the songs for their production of Mary Poppins. In every other school I have worked in (and that's quite a few over the years!) the end

of year production was only a Year 6 or junior event. However, what makes it extra special at Balderstone is that the whole school family - from youngest to oldest, join together to put on our play. It is one of only two evenings after school where we ask ALL our children to take part together to make some memories and special moments for our Year 6 children as they get their chance to shine. We apologise for having to change the date for the show, but there are so many transition days for secondary schools this year, that we have been forced to change the day to Monday 10th July otherwise we would be missing some of our stars!

In worship this week we have started a new journey - a journey through some of the key verses from every book in the Bible. We started our travels in the book of Genesis exploring God's promises to us. "I will be with you, wherever you go." Over the coming weeks we shall be exploring key verses that we can remember and use in our life. We are using the amazing stories from the life of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses to help inspire us to be brave, speak out for what is right and to follow God's lead in our lives. We have used these verses to help us think carefully about speaking out for what is right and I have asked the children to identify their 5 trusted adults (and God) whom they would speak to if they were ever worried about anything. It was lovely to hear that many of the children have so many people in their lives (including our staff in school) who they would share any worries or concerns with - this is exactly what we want to hear as a school family!

Please continue to send your children to school with hats and with sun cream applied as the sunshine blesses us with its presence!

I hope to see many of you this weekend at the church summer fair and at all-age worship.

I hope to see you there.

Blessings,

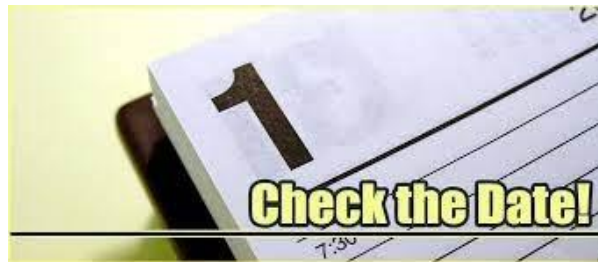
Mrs Gow

Summer Fair 2.30pm



Come along and join the fun tomorrow from 2.15pm on the school playground and enjoy the stalls, games, cake and treats. The children are going to open the fair with singing our community song, 'Together' at 2.30pm. The school supports this event through running fun games and stalls - ping pong pots, pick a card, chocolate tombola and lolly luck stall. It would be wonderful if some children could come along and help me run the games and stalls.

Check the date



Please would our families let us know if they are going to be celebrating Eid al-Adha on Wednesday 28th Jun 2023 (or an alternative) so we can plan our classes and activities for the day. It will also mean that Mrs Johnstone will know in advance for our registers.

Arty Adah's Art club



We are very excited about the launch of very own Arty Adah's art club for infant children starting next Tuesday. The club are going to be starting their art adventure with a visit to the alpacas. A huge thank you to Adah and her family who are helping her lead this group.

Balderstone Summer Family Fun Night



*Are you ready for an evening of FABULOUS FUN, all on the Balderstone school field? The family fun night is **the** highlight of our FOBS (Friends of Balderstone School) calendar and this year is going to be no exception. The team have organised two delicious BBQs (one halal) and a huge range of games, massive inflatables, a huge climbing wall, face painting, sponge the Headteacher (not so sure about this one!), refreshments and a bar. Truly, there is something for everyone!*

We need your help to make this event a huge success!

Firstly..... we need you to get the message out to your neighbours, cousins, extended family and make sure you save the date and can be with us on the evening.

Then.... these events can only happen with the WHOLE school family supporting it. A huge thank you to the volunteers who have signed up to a one hour slot to staff a stall/game or serve refreshments. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE FOBS TEAM TO HELP if every family in school would volunteer for an hour then everyone could have fun and serve the school. This event raises an incredible amount of money for the school and ALL this is always used completely on the children! There is a sign up sheet in the front office for you to volunteer an hour of your time and we would be incredibly grateful for your time.

A huge thank you in anticipation,

From the FOBS team.

Balderstone Family Fun Night

Saturday 8th July 5 – 8pm
@ Balderstone St Leonards' Primary School

An evening of fun, music and food
Entry £5 per family

Coconut Shy



Barbecue



Hook a Duck (Halal barbecue also available)

24ft Climbing Wall



20ft inflatable slide



DJ



Toy Tombola



Inflatable Assault Course



Face painting



Beat the Goalie



Bring your own camping chairs and picnic rugs.

Costumes for Mary Poppins Production



Thank you for supporting our whole school production.

We would be grateful if you could provide a costume for your child. Please do not buy anything special. Please use what you already have or borrow it. Do not go out any buy additional items. Call into school if you have any problems.

EYFS – Chimney Sweeps

Cheap or old, plain white t shirt (cut round the bottom in a zig zag) and black leggings/joggers/shorts. If anyone has any flat caps, these would look good.

Y1/2 – Waiters

Plain white t-shirt, black joggers or leggings. We will make bow ties in school. If anyone has a little black waistcoat, they may wear those.

Y3/4 - birds

Y3/4 plain grey/black/brown t-shirt with black leggings or joggers

Bird headband will be made in school.

Maisie - bird woman - long skirt, t-shirt, shawl, head scarf.

Breakfast club - Bee sporty at Brekkie!



Over the next half-term our wonderful Absolute Sports club team are going to be running our Busy Bees breakfast club to help us enjoy some early morning activities and healthy breakfasts. The club will run every day from Monday to Thursday from 7.40am to the start of school at 8.40am and the children will be able to choose from a range of different activities - archery, curling, yoga, dance, netball skills, footy and even running their own olympics. Each morning session costs £5.95 including breakfast. You can sign up for one day a week up to 4 days a week till the end of term. Mrs Johnstone has the Busy Bees forms for you to complete to sign up for a spot. Our very own Scott and Jess will be running the club and the children know them well from our free lunchtime clubs! Come along and join the Busy Bees 'bee'ing active before school.

Treat the fab fellas in your life



FOBS are helping school create some little treats for the fab fellows in your family. Please make sure that your orders are in school for next Tuesday.

Father's Day Personalised Chocolate gift

Buy the special men in your life, a personalised gift this

Father's Day.

Each gift is decorated and written
by your child.

£3 each

To order, simply fill in the form below and return it to school in a labelled envelope.

Either enclose the correct payment with the form or alternatively send the correct amount to the Friends Of Balderstone School bank account Sort code- 20-09-72 Account number 93400190

Last day for orders Tuesday 13th June.



Father's Day order form

Name of child /children _____ Year/s _____

Amount enclosed _____ / Amount paid into FOBS account _____

	Name / special message/s required E.g. Superstar Grandad
Gift 1	
Gift 2	
Gift 3	

Flourishing Friday Award Winners!



A huge congratulations to the following children, who have been chosen as our Flourishing Award this week. You have been chosen for living out the mission of our school in: Loving God, Loving Learning and Loving Each other. truly you have been rooted and grounded in love. We hope you enjoyed your sunny day ice lolly treats!

EYFS Raiyan

Year 1. Liyana

Year 2. Eeva

Year 3. Shifa

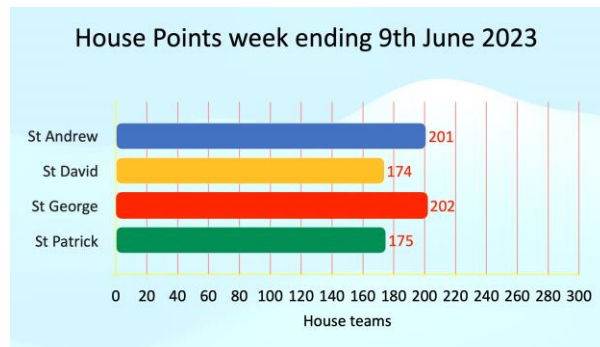
Year 4. Muhammad-Hasnayn

Year 5. Aisha

Year 6. Alayna

House points





1 - WOW St George - this was a close one this week!

Dates for the diary



Saturday 10th June. 2.30pm. Summer Fair on playground

Sunday 11th June 11am. All-Age worship - everyone welcome

Monday 12th June 7.40am new Busy Bees Bee active Brekkie sessions

Tuesday 13th June 11am Induction for new pre-schoolers and Toddler group. Parent lunch 11.45am

Tuesday. Adah's Art club starts, deadline for Father's Day orders

Wednesday 14th June Parent Lunch for current Reception children

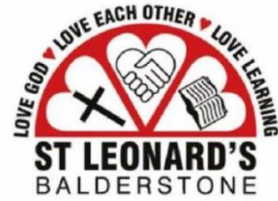
Friday 16th June. Celebration worship 9am in church, Year 5 & 6 Orienteering 1-3pm

NEW date for Mary Poppins Production SAVE THE DATE. **MONDAY 10th JULY 1.30pm and 6pm (all children needed for both timings)**

PROVISIONAL SPORTS DAY **Monday 19th June pm**

SAVE THE DATE. **SATURDAY 8th JULY FOBS FAMILY FUN EVENING 5pm - 8pm**

Contact Us



**A small school
with a big heart**

**We are currently accepting
applications.**

Join us for our Open Week 31st
October – 4th November. Ring
school to book a tour.



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