

Happy Friday everyone!

What a hot week! This week has been a bit unusual with the early shutting of the school. With the weather cooling down a bit next week, the school will be returning to normal opening times. If an unexpected heatwave were to return, we would revisit this. We will still be following our risk assessment in high temperatures. Please continue to send your child to school with water, suncream applied and / or suncream in a bottle, and a sun hat. We will return to normal uniform on Monday. This will also remain under close review.

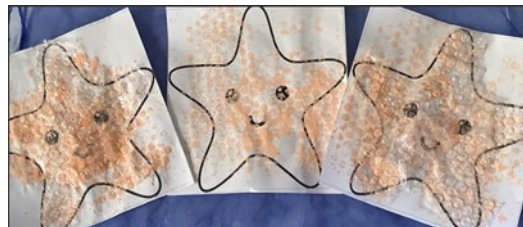
On Monday, some of our year 6s set off on their residential trip to Danbury. We wish them a lovely time! Those remaining will have plenty of fun-filled activities to keep them busy as well!

On Friday, we have our sports day. This will be run differently this year. The times will be as follows, but may finish earlier:

- Reception and KS1 - 9:15-10:15
- Years 3 and 4 - 10:45-12:00
- Years 5 and 6 - 1:15-3:00

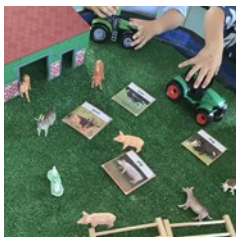
There will be a refreshment station run by the PTA. This is for visitors only. You will not be able to purchase items for your children, because the last thing we want is for them to be partaking in vigorous activity with fizzy drinks or snacks.

If the weather is too hot later in the week, we may have to revert to a 'less intense' set of events, or maybe even cancel this and reschedule. Please be patient with us if this is the case.



In Nursery we enjoyed sharing the stories *Could a Shark Do Gymnastics?* and *Noisy Farm*, using them as a wonderful opportunity to learn fun facts about great white sharks and farm animals and supporting communication and language skills. The children have loved using different resources to create their own bubbly starfish. They have also shown great creativity collaging their very own beaches. We have continued working on our fine motor skills with our starfish threading.

To support our maths learning, the children have continued to practise sorting, counting and subitising the numbers 1-5. Our rhyme this week, *Five Little Fishes*, also supported the children with their counting and representing the numbers 5 down to 0 on their fingers/hands.



This week in Reception we have enjoyed visiting our new year one classrooms and meeting our new teachers. The year one teachers have been very impressed with the children and we are both very proud of them. At the start of the week we practised writing our numerals, using phrases recalled from the *Numberblocks* episode "Let's all draw numbers". The children have shown patience, perseverance and respect in the challenging heat and with lots of changes this week. Well done Reception.

This week Year 4 took part in My Future My Basildon and learnt about the careers people have in the local area. We also gathered our results from our science experiment, put this into a bar chart and drew conclusions from this. We enjoyed transition day and meeting our new teachers!

This week, year 1 has enjoyed meeting their new class teachers and seeing their new classrooms. They had lots of fun and were able to see what learning will be like in year 2! In maths, we have started our money topic and identified different coins and their values. In writing, we have continued to write our own stories using conjunctions to make our sentences longer. We have also been learning about what a digital footprint is and how we can make sure we only share safe information online.

This week, year 3 have done exceptionally well in the extreme heat. We had our amazing school trip to Colchester Castle, where the children revisited their learning about the Romans and they got to explore the castle galleries and prison. They all behaved well and made us very proud. We all enjoyed our exciting day out. We have been learning to tell the time in maths, looking at intervals of 1 minute.

Year 2 have had a fantastic week and thoroughly enjoyed their transition days in Year 3. They tasted different foods linked to their new class names, Cyprus and Jordan, and discovered lots of interesting facts about these countries. Everyone embraced the new experiences with enthusiasm and excitement. We are incredibly proud of how well the children have coped and continued to work hard in the very hot weather. They are all ready and excited for their next adventure in Year 3!

In Year 5, we have been developing our maths skills by adding and subtracting decimals with different decimal places. In English, we have been planning and writing informative paragraphs about our chosen Greek Gods, ready to create a double-page spread next week. In DT, we have been practising sewing techniques to make a stuffed toy and in RE, we created our own newspaper to explore the significance of the River Ganges and its importance to Hindus. Well done for your hard work during this hot week Year 5!

This week in Year 6 has all been about transition. The children have visited a range of their future secondary schools and have experienced what life will be like there in Year 7. They are all continuing to learn their lines for the production, as scripts will not be allowed after Sports Day!

Have a lovely weekend
Mr Davie
Head of School



Nursery

For children aged 3 before 31st August 2026

Limited spaces available for our nursery in
September 2026

15/30 hour funded

Additional 15 hours can be paid for if funding not
available

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Dear Parents and Carers,
We're launching our free Summer Reading Challenge, giving children access to thousands of books to enjoy over the summer holidays, with built-in word support to help them read independently. If you'd like to find out more, please join us for one of our short information sessions in the KS1 Hall on Wednesday 1 July at either 2:30pm or 5:00pm. The sessions will last around 20 minutes. We'll show you how the challenge works, help you download the app and set up an account if needed and answer any questions you may have. Summer holidays are for relaxing and having fun, but even a few minutes of reading each day can help children maintain their confidence and return to school ready for the new term. We hope to see many of you there.

**All the best,
Mr. McQuade**

School Dinner Menu - Week One

29th June—3rd July

Monday

Sticky Chicken

Sticky Quorn

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna

Cheese or Tuna Mayo Wrap

Profiteroles

Tuesday

Homemade Lasagne (Beef)

Homemade Lasagne (Quorn Beef)

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna

Cheese or Ham Sandwich

Mini Beignet

Wednesday

Roast Chicken

Quorn Roast

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna

Cheese or Egg Mayo Wrap

Fresh Fruit Salad

Thursday

Rustic Tomato Sauce and Pasta

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Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Cheese or Tuna Mayo Sandwich

Carrot Cake

Friday

Fish Fingers

Vegetable Goujons

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna

Cheese or Ham Wrap

Ice Cream Pot

School Money

Please ensure you keep your School Money account in credit to cover any dinners booked for your child.

If your account accrues arrears of two meals (£4.80) or more your child **WILL NOT** be able to book any further school dinners and you **MUST** provide them with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared.

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Beat the Street

We have made a reasonable start to the competition—we have moved up to 7th on the leader board—well done!

Let's make our mark on this event and show everyone what a fantastic team spirit there is at Cherry Tree when we work together to climb that leader board!

If you haven't already, please sign up. There are prizes to be won for the school and we will be giving individual prizes each week too.

if you are registered as a nickname please let Mr Cooper (Year 6 Blue) know your username so we can see our winners



Value Awards



Butterflies	Jianna J	For showing ambition this week as she has worked very hard all year and reached a high level of attainment. Mr Lake was very impressed with her writing during her transition visits to year 1.
Ladybirds	Erick M	For showing ambition this week as he has worked hard with his sentence writing and has read every single night this week at home. Erick has shown maturity when taking part in transitions this week.
Hedgehogs	Hettie M	For ambition by showing confidence and willingness to challenge herself during transition days.
Rabbits	Urwah S	For always being respectful to others and showing good manners.
Owls	Isla-Alanna T	Showing ambition by trying her very best learning and following all the new routines as she started her new class. Well done Isla!
Squirrels	Joshua W	Joshua has shown great ambition by challenging himself with learning from the year 3 curriculum and always giving his best effort. He is also consistently respectful to those around him, showing kindness and consideration to both adults and his classmates.
Year 3 Blue	Jaxon T	Jaxon has recently joined Cherry Tree and has shown consistent ambition with all his learning. He also shows kindness and manners to both adults and children which is lovely to see.
Year 3 Green	Grayson D	Grayson has shown kindness with his care and concern for adults and children around him on a regular basis, particularly in the extreme heat we have experienced this week.
Year 4 Blue	Alfie G	For showing ambition, all week he has tried his best in all lessons and we have also seen an improvement in his behaviour.
Year 4 Green	Alissa K	For showing the value of honesty when working hard to understand time in maths lessons. Fantastic effort with your learning.
Year 5 Blue	Aisha F	For showing great ambition on the transition days by demonstrating her determination to succeed in year 6—well done!
Year 5 Green	Imogen M	Always showing respect by being ready to learn.
Year 6 Blue	Preston B	For showing kindness to others during a very difficult week, dealing with a lot of changes due to transition.
Year 6 Green	Daniella O	For demonstrating ambition by confidently performing her solo part during our production rehearsals.

Dates for your Diary 2026

Monday 29th June

Year 6 Residential

Tuesday 30th June

Year 6 Residential

Wednesday 1st July

Year 6 Residential

Summer Reading Challenge Parent Meeting—2.30pm
or 5pm

Friday 3rd July

Sports day—Reception to Year 6

9 - 10.15 Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
10.45 - 12 Year 3 and Year 4
1.15 - 3 Year 5 and Year 6

Friday 10th July

School fete and bouncy castle event 3.15pm

Monday 13th July

9.15am Pirates of the Curry Bean—Year 6

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Friday 17th July

9.15am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

2.30pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Last day of Summer Term

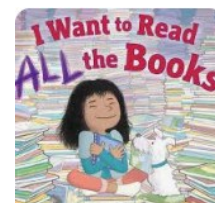
Thursday 3rd September

Start of new academic year



Library Books

**Can you please
ensure your child
returns their library books
promptly so others can enjoy
them too.**



BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

BERLESDUNA – COMPLEX NEEDS & SEND TEACHER closing date 3rd September
FAIRHOUSE – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 6th July
FELMORE – BREAKFAST CLUB ASSISTANT closing date 3rd July
WHITMORE – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 1st July

For more information and to apply for any of these exciting opportunities, please follow the link to our website [Vacancies - Berlesduna Academy Trust](#)



School Uniform

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Do you want to give back to your community and help shape the future of children close to home?

We're looking for local people to join our school governing board

Interested?

We'd love to have an informal chat.

Contact: Julie Lapslie

Email: julielapslie@berlesduna.co.uk

No obligation, no interview pressure
— just a conversation.

You don't need experience in education

Just:

- An interest in children and learning
- Willingness to ask questions and share ideas
- Time to attend a few meetings each year

What does a School Governor do?

- Help set the vision and values of the school
- Support and challenge the school leadership
- Make sure pupils get the best possible education

What's involved?

- Around 3 meetings a year
- Meetings are during the day or early evening
- Full training and support provided

What's in it for you?

- Make a real impact locally
- Develop skills and confidence
- Meet like-minded people
- Something meaningful to put on your CV