

A message from Mr Hodgson

As we enter the last lap (couldn't think of a football related phrase!), I would just like to commend our wonderful children for their efforts in school this year. They try to come to school every day with a smile on their faces and then follow our Bader values of **happiness, aiming high, determination, excellence and respect**. They are superstars!

Dates for your diaries

Professional Development Days Monday 20th July and Tuesday 21st July

Friday 3rd July Reception trip to Flamingo Land

Friday 3rd July Bring a bottle Non-Uniform Day

Tuesday 7th July Year 4 Ancient Greek Day

Tuesday 7th July Year 4 Final Flourish 2-3pm

Wednesday 8th July Year 1 & 2 Final Flourish

Thursday 9th July Reception Graduation 9:30 – 10:30am

Thursday 9th July Summer Fayre 3:30 - 5:30pm

Friday 10th July Year 2 sleepover

Wednesday 15th July Leavers Assembly 2:15pm

Thursday 16th July Year 6 Leaver's treat at Hollywood Bowl

Professional Development Days for 2026/2027 are as follows:

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Friday 18th December 2026

Friday 28th May 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027



Spark Awards

On Tuesday, Spark Education Trust had their annual awards evening, at Conyers school, which Bader had several staff in attendance. I am delighted to share with you that, our wonderful Year 1 teacher, Mrs Poulson, won the 'Outstanding Teacher of the Year' award for her hard work & dedication here at Bader. Well done to everyone nominated and to Mrs Poulson for bringing back a trophy (like Mr Gunn did last year).



Lego Competition

Year 5 had a fun experience at the Conyers Lego Competition. They learnt about teamwork, resilience and determination whilst completing different challenges. Bader won the trophy for the best presentation, being engaging, confident and clear when speaking and acting. The eyes closed jam sandwich algorithm challenge was entertaining too. Thank you to Conyers for a great day and to Mr Gunn for preparing the children and taking them to the competition.



End of Year Reports

End of Year reports have now all been written and are currently with me to finalise. They will be with you soon.

Summer Fayre

Thursday 9th July

3.15-5.15pm

We hope to see you there!

We would be happy to receive any appropriate donations of the following to support our forthcoming summer fayre:

- Bottles
- Chocolate
- Tombola
- Prizes
- Raffle
- Prizes

Thank you for your donations so far, especially the bottles today.



July World Cup Extravaganza

You've got to be here to win it!

This month, (we started on July 1st), everyone who is in school EVER between then and the end of term, will be entered into a prize draw with a winner in EY/KS1 and a winner in KS2. The lucky winners will be drawn in assembly on the last day of school, July 17th.

It could be YOU!



Year 6 Leavers Assembly

We will soon say a sad but fond farewell to our Year 6 children as they move onto Secondary school. Therefore, their leaver's assembly will be Wednesday 15th July at 2.15pm.

Reception Graduation

Another brilliant occasion, as the children in Reception move into school officially (from September), is our reception graduation. Children will wear a cap and gown as they graduate into Year 1. This will take place on Thursday 9th July 9.30 am.

Super Spellers

We continue to push with spelling in school this year. The class Spelling Bee is a weekly class reward for the class with the best spellings scores and an individual reward of a 'Super Speller' certificate and a pencil are earned by any of our children who achieve full marks in their spelling tests consistently.

The latest recipients are as follows: **Lula Bryan, Isaac Pinchin and Thomas Aberdeen.**



Read for the Stars

Another child reaching the sun for the 3rd time **Hazel Millward**. A brilliant achievement!

Twice to the sun too for: **Logan Mills Bennett, Ella Rose John, Arthur Robinson, Eli McCoy, Anabia Shaikh and Ewan Trattles-Robbins**. Well done to them!

All we ask that children read a minimum of 4 times a week in Early Years and Key Stage 1 and 5 times a week in Key Stage 2 (up to the maximum of seven times a week). We would love children to read more than 1 book/ chapter a night at home but they will only have 1 stamp a day recorded in their reading rocket card.



Rights Respecting School

As a gold accredited, Rights Respecting School, we look at an Article every 2 weeks. For the next two weeks:

	Right of the fortnight
	Article 6 Life, Survival and Development. The children have been learning about weather changes. They talked about keeping themselves safe in all kinds of weather.

Instagram



Don't forget that we are now sharing the fantastic and exciting activities that our children get up to on our brand new instagram account. Please give our page a follow if you would like to see more and support our school! #RRS #Article13

Follow this link to our account:

https://www.instagram.com/baderprimaryschool?igsh=YXJpa2dreWMzNjBr&utm_source=qr

Or search @baderprimaryschool on instagram

Attendance

Good Attendance and Punctuality = Good Learning

The importance of being punctual and coming to school can never be underestimated, in terms of contributing massively to children's learning. We have started slowly with attendance and cannot stress how important it is that children are in school.

Attendance goal: 95%

Week commencing 29th June 2026

Class	% Attendance	Lates
REC Mrs Douthwaite/ Mrs Hewitson	85.42%	7
Y1 Mrs Poulson	91.67%	2
Y2 Mrs Bowe	92.89%	11
Y3 Miss Weir	94.24%	5
Y4 Miss Robson	90.91%	1
Y4 Mr Trueman	89%	5
Y5 Miss Horrigan/Mrs Jatwa	95.88% 	4
Y5 Mrs Mudgway	94.12%	3
Y6 Miss Bennett	76.67%	6
Y6 Mr Robinson	85.71%	2



Attendance Matters

Last week in school saw our attendance fall again to 89.7% from reception to Year 6 (below our target of 95% or better once again). We did have 166 pupils with 100% attendance in that week (71.2% of pupils having full attendance) which is pleasing.

Currently, we have 38 children in persistent absence which is 16.3% of the school population (which is still too high).

Punctuality was very poor too with 41 lates being recorded across school. (Once again far too high)

Please remember, school operates a 'soft start' i.e. open from 8.40am before the bell at 8.55am which really provides lots of time to arrive in school punctually. See punctuality poster above. Missing the start of the school day means children struggle to catch up and is not conducive to a positive learning environment.

Coming to school on time every day is important to your child's success and learning from Nursery onwards.

Missing 10% of school (1 or 2 days every few weeks) can make it harder to:

- Gain reading and math skills.
- Build friendships.
- Build on good progress which leads to reaching age related expectations and above.

Time off school

Often children can get on with their day when they feel unwell.

Many can manage with sore throats, coughs and colds.

Once through the school doors, children can feel much better being busy with their friends, just getting on with the day.

Mrs Jatwa is our attendance champion supported by Miss Owens. They are both available to discuss any issues/challenges that you are experiencing and that school may be able to help with.

Attendance champions and winners of the 'Bader Bear' trophy for last week were Miss Horrigan/Mrs Jatwa's class with 95.88% attendance for the week. 10 minutes extra playtime is coming their way and the bear is at home in their classroom for the whole week – a big Bader well done to them!



Curriculum

We continue to teach as ambitious a broad and balanced curriculum as possible in all subjects. Here is a selection of

Nursery – Balance bike fun with Mr Gunn!
#RRSArticle29



Year 1 have been discussing the seasonal changes we have observed this year in Science. The children created their own drawings to show what they have learned about each season.
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Reception investigated capacity! #RRSArticle28



Year 2 have been investigating world habitats and discovering, then sorting, the different animals you would find there. #RRSArticle24



Year 4 have been coding using Scratch in computing
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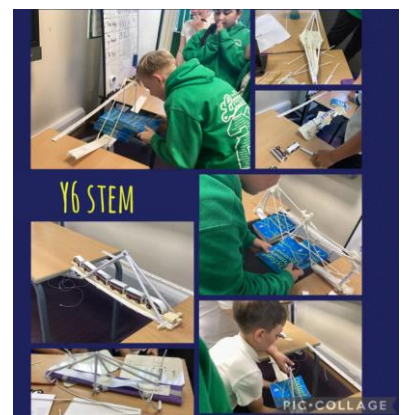
Year 3 had a wonderful Ancient Egypt final flourish. #RRSArticle3



Year 5 are making a great start to their narrative about the hero Beowulf battling the creature they created. #RRSArticle28



Year 6 were lucky to have a visit from Jess who is a civil engineer with Network Rail. Jess set Y6 a challenge - to collaborate and build a safe and sturdy bridge using recyclable materials.
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Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Hodgson