

# Baslow St. Anne's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We hope that you are all well and thank you for your support and patience, whilst we have migrated over to a new school system and communication platform.

**IMPORTANT:** Can I please bring your attention at the start of this newsletter to **Road Safety + appropriate and respectful, safe driving and parking** - the importance to this is a priority for everyone, in ensuring the safety of all of our families and children by driving carefully, observing our one-way system of up Eaton Hill and down School Lane and parking appropriately at **all times**, not on the pavements, corners of roads or zig zags/yellow lines or across neighbours' driveways. The local PCO has been on duty around school drop off and school pick-up and has reported irresponsible parking and we have had several complaints and concerns for the children from our local residents (including this morning). The safety of our children and families is paramount, alongside respect for our community. Please can you ensure that you monitor your children when they are walking on the pavements, as a neighbour has pointed out, that children often run across the driveways, when potentially a car can be coming out. **Everyone needs to play their part in ensuring that this is as effective as possible, ensuring the safety and respect for everybody.** Thank you to those who continuously support this.

We have had a delightful term including the school being taken over by many wondrous characters for World Book Day and we enjoyed a full week celebrating this including: breakfast with a book, mystery class readers, reading den & hot chocolate evening, Lisa Bentley author in and workshops – thank you to Miss Grant for organising this exciting week and parents for supporting the cost of the author visit.

Our Living Eggs arrived in time for science week and were based this year in the Lions' classroom – the children enjoyed the chicks that hatched ☺. Alongside this, Fizz Pop Science have been in for the day carrying out exciting experiments across the whole school, as part of our science week. Thank you to our PTFA and parents in supporting this, for funding these two enrichment activities.



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We celebrated mental wellbeing week too and Mrs Christie continues to work very hard on the nurture and wellbeing side of the school, with the support of Buddy the tortoise and Fern, Mrs Allen's dog.

Y3 and Year 5 have been enjoying Forest School at Chatsworth and we have competed in hockey, netball, sports hall athletics and the dance festival with the cluster schools. Y5 and 6 also enjoyed a super Young Voices again this year at Sheffield Arena.

We have also had lots of children who are achieving music awards in different disciplines either with lessons in school, or out of school. Currently we offer lessons in:

- Clarinet/flute/saxophone/recorder with Sarah
- Drums with Gaz
- Piano with Jo
- Cello with John
- Singing with Chloe
- Violin with Gareth

Please do enquire, if you would like to know more about these lessons and how to sign up for them.

We would love to celebrate any in and out of school achievements of the children and display their certificates/photographs on our 'Let's Celebrate' board in the hall, so please do send these in.

## **Punctuality**

A reminder for the best start to the school day and setting good life skills early on, can you please be punctual at the start of the day and at pick up – **8:40-8:50am start** (the gate and door will be closed at 8:50am, if arriving after this time, please come through the office and sign your child in) and **3:15pm R/KS1 finish/3:20pm KS2 finish**. We have several children who are late in a morning, which impacts on their school day and several who are late being picked up – please can we ask that you are on time.

If your child is going to be absent, please can you let the school office know by 8:55am and each day of absence, for safeguarding purposes.

## **INSET Days 2026-27**

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2026



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Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2027  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2027

Our final INSET day for this academic year is Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Service today at St. Anne's Church and a reminder that we break up for the end of this term on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March and return Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.**

## PTFA

A big thank you again to our wonderful PTFA and all who support them, for the wonderful things that they have bought this term including:

- Chicks to hatch
- Fizz Pop Science
- Money for IT equipment

## Governors

A big thank you to Kate Holbrook and Mr Osborn who will be stepping down as governors this term, their input and time have been invaluable in supporting the governing body and school over the many years they have served.

## School Uniform

Mrs Barron will be hosting a second hand uniform sale after school today, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March, where you can come and take away any uniform, all priced at £1 an item, proceeds going to the PTFA.

Please can we remind no jewellery or make-up to be worn to school (stud earrings and watches to tell the time are allowed).

Thank you again for all your support over this term and wishing you all a lovely Easter break when we get there.

Kind regards

Marie Clark  
Headteacher

