



### Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

I wanted to use this newsletter to highlight some achievements and to offer congratulations to children and staff!

Firstly, I would like to say well done to the choir and to Mrs Ingram. Our choir took part in the Basildon Music Festival on Monday at the Towngate Theatre singing songs from the big screen. The Willows' parents did very well guessing all of the songs correctly (even the sequels thanks to Mr Greenaway!). Mrs Wilson's favourite was the 'When I Grow Up/Naughty' medley from Matilda.

Secondly, it was the Berlesduna Trust Netball and Football tournament here yesterday which was superbly organised and run by our Miss Bernson, ably supported by Mr Fuller, Mrs Breach and Mrs Adams. It was a brilliant day, made even better by our netballers claiming third place and our footballers winning the whole thing! It was our first time winning the football which we did without losing a game. Well done to all the children who took part.

Finally, I want to congratulate Year 6 and Year 2 who have finished all their SATs. We are very proud of the way that our children dealt with the pressure and are pleased with the effort and steely determination with which they approached every test.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Mr T Robinson

Headteacher



### Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates today.



**1LR Scarlett** for having a positive attitude towards her work and academic studies.

**1HS/AC Isabelle** for having a wonderful attitude towards learning.

**1LH Georgia** for always having a positive attitude towards your learning.

**2JC Priyansh** for showing a much improved attitude to learning and as a result of this making progress.

**2LCOG Alexandru** for his increasingly positive and confident attitude towards his learning, and for showing great enthusiasm within the classroom!

**2LCON Jenson** for having a positive attitude towards his learning.

**3ND Jacob** for always having such a positive attitude to his learning.

**3SS Pippa** for always brightening our day with an enthusiastic smile and trying her best in everything!

**3VH David** for always trying his very best and demonstrating a positive attitude to learning.

**4SJ Jenson** for having a consistently positive attitude towards learning and helping others in class.

**4LI Daisy-May** for always having a great attitude towards tasks and for always trying her best!

**4KM William** for having a positive attitude towards his learning in all of his subjects.

**5HF Grayson** for have a positive attitude towards his learning over the last couple of weeks, which means he has produced some lovely work.

**5PE Kiara** has a fantastic attitude towards her learning. She is a resilient learner who always works hard and tries her best. Well don Kiara!

**5RR Annie-May** for having a great attitude towards her learning in class and always putting in a great amount of effort. Keep up the great work!

**6TB Dexter** for always demonstrating an excellent attitude to all aspects of his school work.

**6MB Samuel** for having a conscientious, hardworking attitude to his learning. Well done!

**6JF Summer** for having a hardworking and dedicated attitude to her school work. Well done!

**6JC Ruby-Mae** for having a really positive attitude and outlook. Ruby-Mae never gives up and gives 100% in everything she does.

## Reporting Absence



Please report child absences using the Willows PA Connect app.

The school must be informed **EVERY** school day that the child is absent.

Please ensure that you have reported your child's absence **by 9.00am**.

### Attendance fact of the week:

The following types of absence may be marked as authorised:

**Leave of absence authorised by the headteacher** (such as time off due to **bereavement**).

**Holidays authorised by the headteacher**, who must specify how many days are approved. These should only be approved in exceptional circumstances.

**Illness:** you must notify your child's school on the morning of their first day of absence.

**Medical or dental appointments with proof of appointment**, although you should try to arrange these outside school hours if possible.

### Attendance for this Week

**Weekly** – 91.0%    **Yearly** – 91.9%

**KS1** - 2LCON 98.3%    **KS2** – 3ND 98.3%



## Superstar Readers of the Week

Key Stage 1 — 1HSAC

Lower Key Stage 2 — 4KM

Upper Key Stage 2 — 5HF



## Superstar Writers of the Week

Yr1— Harper, Shelbie and Violette

Yr2— Mekaal, Scarlett and William

Yr3 — Vinny, William and Shivansh

Yr4 — Alyssa, Charlie and Jude

Yr5— Daria, Bobby and George

Yr6— Brooke, Hayden, Kaitlyn and Tia-Kesmie



## Star Readers of the Week

Yr1— Harrison, Henley and Alfie

Yr2— Oscar, Evan and Danny-Ray

Yr3— Jessie, Noah and Jake

Yr4— Natalia, Bailey and Victoria

Yr5 — Daisy, Jack and Tavyen

Yr6— Davi, Lewis, Pippa and Jack



## BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – JOB VACANCIES

CHERRY TREE – LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT closing date 8<sup>th</sup> June

CRAYS HILL – CARETAKER closing date 16<sup>th</sup> June

FAIRHOUSE – CLASS TEACHER closing date 21<sup>st</sup> May

FAIRHOUSE – PART TIME CLASS TEACHER closing date 21<sup>st</sup> May

FELMORE – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 28<sup>th</sup> May

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

Our Core Values: Respect, Responsibility, Courage, Hope, Justice, Compassion, Integrity, Wisdom

The vision of the Berlesduna Academy Trust is to create and foster a culture of high aspiration, enjoyment for learning, academic success and lifelong skills amongst all pupils, regardless of their social, economic or cultural background.



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