



# Balfour Junior Academy Newsletter

Thursday 22nd July 2021

## Happy Summer!

### Important Dates:



CPD Day 1 (pupils not in school) - Wednesday 1st September

First day of Term 1 2021—Thursday 2nd September



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So, here we are at the final newsletter of the academic year and it has been such an eventful one!

Firstly, I must say how brilliant the children have been this year, they are a true credit to you all as parents and carers. We have had our highlights and challenges but one thing we are so proud of is their resilience and optimism, their politeness and gratitude and their effort in always wanting to do their very best. On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank you all for your lovely gifts, cards and messages of thanks—it does really mean a lot to us.

I would also like to thank the amazing Balfour team of staff, they have worked tirelessly this year and are ready for a much-deserved break. Working in bubbles is no easy task but they managed it through dedication, teamwork and communication. I must also thank our parents and carers for working with us during this time, it has not been easy for you either, staggered starts and finishes, changes to routines and other (sometimes last minute) issues but again you have worked with us and we do really appreciate this.

I wish you all a very safe, happy and restful summer and look forward to seeing you in September.

With all my best wishes, Mrs Mayston

### Virtual Balloon Race

Congratulations to Simone, who won first prize in the virtual balloon race yesterday. Well done to Lennox and Grace, who won second and third prize and to 3 Yeats, who won the class reward. A huge thank you to the members of friends of Balfour, who raised £230! Organising an event with so many restrictions in place was not easy, but it was a fantastic way for us to have fun and raise money for the children.



Please don't forget to use easy fundraising whenever you buy anything online. It's a quick and easy way to support us! You can raise free donations for us with thousands of popular retailers. Every penny helps. So far, this year you have helped us to raise £76.97 for our Friends of Balfour.

### A special message for Year 6...

It's not been quite the finale we had all hoped for, but we made it! From all of us at Balfour, we would like to say a big thank you to the Year 6s for your hard work during your time with us. You have endured a turbulent few years and demonstrated just how resilient you are. Learning, adapting and overcoming challenges are integral to achieving your dreams and you've all shown these qualities. You should all be so proud of your Year 6 achievements and know that you can face Year 7 believing anything is possible.

**You are all going to make us proud! Good luck Year 6.**



Well done to the following pupils, who have been nominated for awards by their teachers. The Values Award is given to pupils who have demonstrated the school's values this term and the Headteacher's Award recognises the pupils who have shown exemplary behaviour and attitudes to their work all term. Well done to everyone who has received an award!

### Values Award

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| <b>3</b> Lowry - Miguel    | <b>4</b> Tanner - Jack      |
| <b>3</b> Morisot - Bailey  | <b>4</b> Warhol - Ellie-may |
| <b>3</b> Picasso - Edie    | <b>5</b> Cassatt - Grace    |
| <b>3</b> Yeats - Karanveer | <b>5</b> Hockney - Yuvraj   |
| <b>4</b> Hopper - Joseph   | <b>5</b> Rembrandt - Aiden  |
| <b>4</b> O'Keeffe - Kacey  | <b>5</b> Rousseau - Aneesha |



### Headteacher's Award

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| <b>3</b> Lowry - Indie    | <b>4</b> Tanner - Oliver       |
| <b>3</b> Morisot - Amreen | <b>4</b> Warhol - Simran       |
| <b>3</b> Picasso - David  | <b>5</b> Cassatt - Jayden      |
| <b>3</b> Yeats - Matilda  | <b>5</b> Hockney - Poppy       |
| <b>4</b> Hopper - Madison | <b>5</b> Rembrandt - Kaarthika |
| <b>4</b> O'Keeffe - Riyle | <b>5</b> Rousseau - Isaac      |

