



Important Dates:



End of year reports sent home—Monday 19th July

Last day of term 6—Thursday 22nd July

Autumn term 2021

CPD Day 1— pupils not in school
Wednesday 1st September

First day of Term 1—Thursday 2nd September

Don't forget to buy your virtual balloon for the race next week!



£3 per balloon

1st prize Amazon Fire Tablet!

Runner-up prizes also available

Click here to enter:

www.balloonrace.com/fob2021

If you're self-isolating and win a prize, we will deliver it to you!

Balfour Junior Academy Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021

Balfest

Year 6 enjoyed their leavers' party in style on Friday 9th July. Balfest was a festival with a difference, with a music tent, ice-cream van, mocktails, glitter tent and chillout zone. The children had a brilliant time and it was definitely an event to remember. We would like to thank the wonderful team of Y6 parents who donated their time, resources and creativity to make it happen. Also thank you to Becky, who worked with the parents to organise the festival, and all of the staff who stayed to help out and have fun with the children.



Covid restrictions

Although there will be changes to national restrictions from Monday 19th July, the routines and procedures we have in place in school will remain the same. This includes adults wearing face coverings, staggered start and finish times and keeping the children in their class bubbles, until the end of term on Thursday 22nd July. The routines are well established now and it would be very disruptive to change them for the final 4 days of the year. Also, in light of some positive cases being reported this week, we will continue to take extra care to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the whole school community. We would like to thank you for your patience and understanding in these challenging times.

End of year reports

Your child's end of year report will be available on Monday 19th July. For the children currently in school, they will be given a printed copy to bring home. For pupils who are isolating, electronic copies will be emailed to you on the same day.

Peanuts

We would like to remind you that we are a peanut-free school, due to a number of pupils with allergies. Please do not send any peanuts or peanut-based foods into school in your child's lunchbox (this includes Nutella products)

School council Logo competition

School council members have been very busy choosing the winner of the logo design competition. The school council team picked the winner and their job was made incredibly hard because of all the amazing entries we received! They chose a winner from each year group, but the overall winner was Yuvraj from 5 Hockney.



Well done Yuvraj!

★ What a Superstar! ★



William in Year 6 has been playing rugby since he was 5 years old for Aylesford Bulls Rugby Club. Being a complex sport he has had a slow 6 year introduction to the sport, starting with touch rugby, progressing to contact and mastering the art of tackling, rucks and scrums. Despite a bad fracture to his leg in December participating in another favourite pastime of his, with the added mix of Covid, Will maintained humour and showed great bravery throughout his 12 week recovery and has managed to continue rugby to a fantastic standard, scoring multiple tries during matches and setting team mates up for the same. Will received his club tie last week as he moves up into youth rugby, this ceremony is a great tradition for rugby and will allow him to wear his club tie with pride to away games whilst competing as a youth player. **Well done Will, you're a superstar!**



Achievement Award



Well done to the following pupils for receiving this week's Achievement Award!

3L— Star	3M — the whole class		
4H— The whole class	4O'K— Lilah	4T— Tanisha	4W— Logan
5C— Isla	5H— the whole class	5Re— Roxanne	5Ro— Frankie