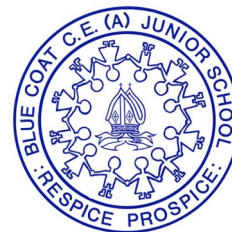




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HALF TERM HOLIDAY

The schools will close at the end of the day on Friday 14th February for the half term holiday.

Both schools re-open for the children on Monday 24th February.

We hope all our families have an enjoyable and restful break.



CONTACTING YOUR CHILD'S TEACHERS

Your child's teaching team can be contacted easily by email. Emails are checked and responded to on every school day.

Nursery and Reception:

earlyyears@bluecoatfederation.co.uk

Key Stage 1

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Family Support and Inclusion team:

familysupport@bluecoatfederation.co.uk



ROTARY CLUB YOUNG WRITER COMPETITION 2025

Deadline next Thursday

All Junior children can take part in this competition.

This year's theme is *Wonderful Water*.

Children can write a poem (between 80-300 words) or a story (between 150 and 500 words);

Entries can be handwritten or typed;

Children should bring their entry into school before next Thursday (6th February).



PLASTIC COAT HANGERS WANTED!

We are going to need 650 plastic triangular coat hangers for a creative activity all the Blue Coat children are going to be doing on World Book Day later in the term!

Please donate to school any spare unwanted plastic coat hangers you have. Please only donate plastic, triangle shaped hangers.

Thank you for your support.



BLUE COAT FESTIVAL 2025

This year's exhibition and service will celebrate the 60 year anniversary of the three Blue Coat schools moving into the buildings they are in now.

If you have any photographs or historical documents linked to the Blue Coat schools that you would be happy to lend us for the exhibition, please let Mr. Orlik know.



CLASS ATTENDANCE WINNERS



Infants— Dolphins 98.2%

Juniors— 4NR 99.67%



PARENTS' EVENINGS

Letters were sent home this week for Infant and Junior Parents' Evenings. Please make sure you return your booking slips as soon as you can and your child's teacher will confirm your appointment time.

Nursery: Tues 11th Feb and Wed 12th Feb 3.30 to 6pm

Infants: Wed 12th Feb and Thurs 13th Feb 3.30 to 6pm

Juniors: Wed 12th March and Thurs 13th March 4 to 6.30pm

The Book Fair will be open in the Infant Hall during the Infant Parents' Evenings.

We look forward to welcoming you for these meetings.



PACT WORKSHOPS CONTINUE

We are pleased to offer more of our extremely popular PACT (Parents and Children Together) workshops this term. We hope that a parent/carer will be able to attend their child's workshop.



RECEPTION AND YEAR 3 NEXT WEEK!

SPRING TERM PACT WORKSHOPS ALL STARTING 9AM

Year Group	Date	Focus
Reception	Wed 5th Feb	Reading
Year 2	Fri 7th March	Maths
Year 3	Tues 4th Feb	Maths

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday 11th February. There will be a focus with the children during the day about the importance of keeping safe when accessing the internet on phone, computers, notebooks or through computer games.

Visit www.childnet.com for information about keeping your child safe online.

SCHOOL HEALTH PARENT (PASH) WORKSHOP

Fussy Eating Workshop for parents/carers

Blue Coat Infant School—Friday 7th February 9am-10am

School health working in partnership with school and families are offering a Fussy Eating Workshop. Everyone welcome.



Do you worry your child is not getting enough food or are they refusing to eat sometimes? School health will offer advice to help introduce new foods, go back to foods previously tried and other tips to encourage a balanced diet.

WEAR GREEN MENTAL HEALTH DAY—NEXT FRIDAY

On Friday 7th February, the children are invited to wear green clothing to mark our Mental Health day.

There will be a focus on mental health that day:

What is it?

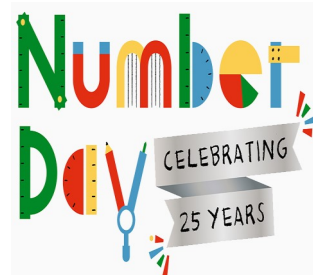
Why is it important?

How can we look after our mental health?



NUMBER DAY—NEXT FRIDAY

As well as our Mental Health Day we will also be marking Number Day on Friday 7th February with a particular focus on Numeracy Skills.



National Literacy Trust
Change your story

First Words Together

Would you like to...


- ★ Help your baby or toddler learn to talk?
- ★ Get ideas for supporting communication?
- ★ Receive a goody bag when attending your 5th session.
- ★ Spend quality time with your child?

First Words Together sessions for parents/carers at Blue Coat Infant School:

The sessions will take place on these Tuesdays at 9am, as part of Blue Coat Infant School's Parent and Toddler Group:

- 25th February
- 4th March
- 11th March
- 18th March
- 25th March

Enjoy exploring rhymes, stories and games to play with your child once a week for five weeks!

JOB VACANCIES AT BLUE COAT INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOLS' FEDERATION

We are currently advertising for Teaching Assistant and Dinner Supervisor positions.

If you are interested, please visit the Job Vacancies section on our website for more information.

<https://www.bluecoatfederation.co.uk/blue-coat-c-e-infant-school/key-information/bci-job-vacancies/>



CHILDREN'S ONLINE SAFETY WORKSHOPS

We are delighted to be welcoming a charity called Street Teams into the Infant and Junior Schools over the next few weeks.

They will be supporting the children to develop their understanding of online dangers and how to keep safe when accessing the internet on phones, computers, laptops, notebooks or computer games.

Street Teams will deliver specially planned workshops for each year group during the school day.

Wednesday 5th March

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3

Friday 7th March

Year 4 and Year 5

Thursday 13th March

Year 6

