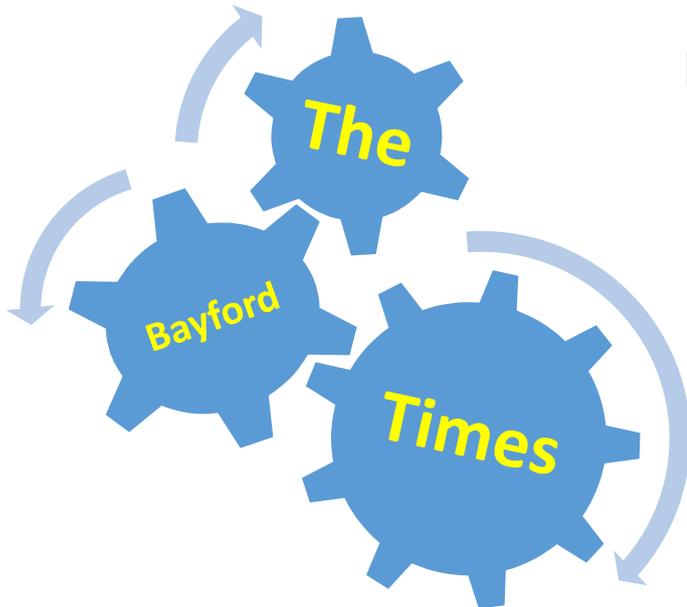


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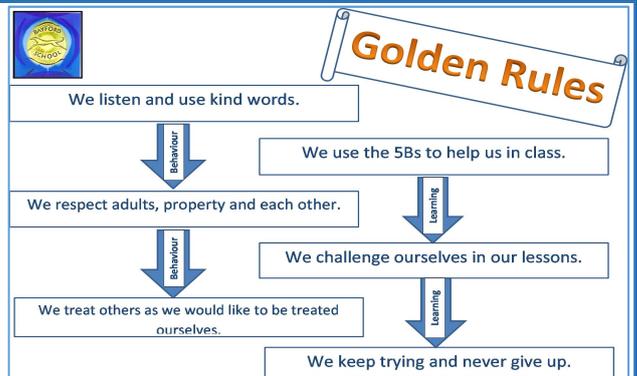
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## Golden Rules

At the start of the year the School Council had the responsibility of discussing with their classes what the children thought would be appropriate as a set of school rules. The children came up with a range of brilliant ideas which we condensed as shown. We have 6 'Golden Rules' 3 are to help us with behaviour and 3 to help us with our learning. Please discuss these with your children.



## Healthy Eating/Snacks

Following the recent 'farm to fork' workshop, we have booked a 'fruit and veg' workshop to take place in December. This is to encourage healthy eating choices. Please remember that the children should bring healthy snacks/lunch to school. No sweets are allowed.

## Chicks

As part of their 'life cycles' topic, Class 1 had an egg incubator left at the school for 2 weeks before half-term. We started with 10 eggs and were very fortunate to have 7 hatch. This was a very enjoyable learning experience for the children...and staff!



## Class Sharing Assemblies

We will be holding our Class Sharing Assemblies this half-term for Class 2 and Class 3 as follows:

Class 2 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 2:45pm

Class 3 Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 2:45pm

Parents and families of these classes are warmly welcome on these days.

## eSafety

If you would like further guidance on keeping your child safe online there is an excellent family guide to video games and ratings that can be found at:

[www.askaboutgames.com](http://www.askaboutgames.com)

## Pub Car Parking

The Baker Arms has recently changed management and are keen to promote a strong sense of community. As a gesture of good will they have very kindly offered their car park for parents to use when dropping or picking children up from school. Please consider this as it will reduce congestion on Ashdene Road.

## Netball/Football/Cycling/Basketball

We are very proud of the amount of different sports we are involved with in school. Please look on our website for recent results of our netball and football matches. There is also a section on our recent cyclo-cross competition.



We recently took part in the Herts & Ware Schools Sports Partnership Basketball competition.

I am pleased to report that we won the small schools category and now go on to play the winners in the medium and large schools competition!

## Fund Raising

Thank you for your donations for Jeans for Genes/Breast Cancer Day, which we held just before half-term.

We raised a total of £168!

### Helping Your Child to Read

It was great to see so many parents attend the recent workshops sharing good practice when listening to children read at home. We had many positive comments and parents felt more able to enjoy this important part of working with children at home.

### English Development

As part of our school development plan we have decided to prioritise a number of areas in English this year. The first is to develop the children's handwriting and introduce cursive script (you will have received a letter with these formations – see our website). We are also continuing with our drive to develop the children's writing skills as well as improving the way that spellings are taught and tested.

*a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z*

### Attendance

We are pleased that for the first half-term of the academic year the attendance of each class has been as follows:

Reception	94.7%
Class 1	97.1%
Class 2	99.1%
Class 3	95.6%

Please keep this up!

### Value

This half term our value is 'Responsibility'.



We will be focussing on this during assembly times and also in our daily school life.

## Make a NOISE about bullying

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

### Anti-Bullying Week

The week of 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> November is anti-bullying week.

We will be educating the children in what 'bullying' is and how best we can tackle it.

### School Nurse Clinic

The school nurse will be holding an open clinic to discuss any concerns that parents may have regarding their child(rens) health. This will be taking place from 9-10am on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

### Applications for Reception

Please be aware that these are now open.

Closing date: 15/01/16

### Choir

Class 2 are busy rehearsing songs for Christmas and will be taking part in the Christmas concert in Christ Church, Ware on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7pm.

### FOBS

#### Friday night Film Club

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
5pm-7pm

Food and drinks provided (all food is nut free)  
£5 per person

Nursery children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Please see Lorna Chilton for tickets (flyers in book bags).

### Christmas Disco

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall. Further details to follow.

### Class 1/2 Christmas Production

The Class 1 & 2 production of 'Christmas with the Aliens' will take place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2:00pm and again on

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm  
in Bayford Village Hall.

Look out for more information to follow.

### Christmas Nativity

This year's Nursery and Reception Nativity will take place at 10am on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December in the Hall.

### Christmas Dinner

This will be Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

### Panto Trip

Thanks to the generous contribution of FOBS we are able to take the whole school (from Reception to Y6) to the Pantomime this year. This will take place on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December in the afternoon.

Children will be transported by coach from school but parents should collect their children from The Spotlight, Broxbourne at 3:15pm.



### End of Term Service

Weather permitting we will be holding our end of term Christmas service at St Mary's Church, Bayford. This will take place on the last day of term, Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 1:30pm.

Parents will then be able to take the children home following the end of the service.

**If anyone is able to help walk the children down to the church please contact the school office.**