

# BIRCHENSALE MIDDLE SCHOOL



## 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL NEWSLETTER

### LIBRARY SPACE GETS A SMART NEW LOOK

To celebrate Birchensale's love of reading, the area outside the library has been revamped with a vibrant new seating area. The backdrop is a colourful vinyl promoting the benefits of reading. Together with the new wall mounted bookcase and seats, who wouldn't want to sit down with a good book and read!



### LIBRARIAN'S RECOMMENDED READ

**The Brilliant World of Tom Gates – by Liz Pichon (zone 4.0)**

Tom Gates is a master of excuses, expert doodler, comic story writer extraordinaire – and the bane of his grumpy teacher, Mr Fullerman. and in his first wacky journal of scribbles and silliness, you'll find all sorts of comic craziness to make you groan with glee! Will Tom ever manage to get his homework in on time, avoid the rage of his teacher – AND impress Amy Porter, who sits next to him? Warning! Do not attempt to read this in public. You will snigger loudly! This is Book #1 in this popular book series, a must for Diary of a Wimpy Kid lovers.

### IMPORTANT DATES

6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday Monday, school closed  
13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs  
21<sup>st</sup> May – KS3 Apprenticeship Assembly  
22<sup>nd</sup> May – Sports Day (provisional)  
27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May – Half term, school closed  
3<sup>rd</sup> June – Pupils back at school

### SCHOOL SOCIAL MEDIA

Please follow us on our social media sites. You will find lots of pictures of activities, trips and extracurricular clubs. There are also reminders of events.



### THEO'S RECOMMENDED READ

**Lego Star Wars – Revenge of the Sith (zone: 5.4)**

Jedi generals and their clone troopers fight Separatists in the Clone Wars while Anakin Skywalker is pulled toward the dark side of the Force.

If you like Star Wars and Lego these are a great series of books that follow the Star Wars saga but using Lego characters and scenes to help tell the story.



## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

This term parents/carers will need to sign their children up to take part in after school clubs. You can do this in clubs on the MCAS app (available clubs). You can go to clubs on the MCAS app to see what after school clubs are available for your child and what you have signed them up for. If your child doesn't want to attend the club anymore, please let the school office know so they can be removed from the club register and a child on the waiting list can be added.

If your child is unable to attend one of the sessions you have signed them up for, please let the school know either by a note in their diary or a call to the school office. Some clubs do have a limit on the number of places available. Club lists can be found on our website [School Clubs | Birchensale Middle School](#).



# PE Clubs and Fixtures



w/c: 15/04/2024	Before school 8:15- 8:45	Lunch time 12.40 – 1.10	After school 3.15 - 4.30
<b>Mon</b>		Year 6 Dodgeball Sportshall (ATA)  Year 7 Table Tennis (ASH)	Year 8 Boys SELECTED PUPILS Badminton Sportshall (HKH)
<b>Tues</b>	Year 8 SELECTED PUPILS Badminton 8am – 8:40am (HKH)  Year 7 & 8 SELECTED PUPILS Boccia DURING AM REG Dining Hall (ATA)	Year 7 & 8 SELECTED PUPILS Rowing Sportshall (PHO)  Year 7 Table Tennis (ASH)	Year 5 & 6 Netball Playground (ATA)  Year 7 & 8 Girls Basketball Sportshall UNTIL 5PM (PHO)
<b>Wed</b>	Year 7 & 8 SELECTED PUPILS Boccia DURING AM REG Dining Hall (ATA)	Year 5 SELECTED PUPILS Indoor Football Sportshall (ATA)  Year 7 Table Tennis (ASH)	Year 5 SELECTED PUPILS Netball Tournament (AWL, ATA)  Year 7 & 8 Rugby Field (JSP)  Year 8 Girls SELECTED PUPILS Badminton Dining Hall (HKH)
<b>Thurs</b>	Year 5 & 6 SELECTED PUPILS Boccia DURING AM REG Dining Hall (ATA)	Year 7 & 8 SELECTED PUPILS Rowing (PHO)  Year 7 Table Tennis (ASH)  Year 5 & 6 Cricket Sportshall (JSP)	Year 7 & 8 Girls SELECTED PUPILS Basketball Tournament @ St Bedes (PHO)
<b>Fri</b>	Year 5 SELECTED PUPILS Badminton 8am – 8:40am (HKH)  Year 5 & 6 SELECTED PUPILS Boccia DURING AM REG Dining Hall (ATA)	KSS Badminton Sportshall (HKH)  Year 7 Table Tennis (ASH)	Year 7 & 8 SELECTED PUPILS Rugby 7s @ Bees Rugby Club (Portway) 1pm-3pm (JSP)