



Bankside School

Newsletter
18th October 2024

Bankside News

★ Key Dates ★

- Half Term - Monday 28th
Oct - Friday 1st Nov.

★ Word Aware ★

We have introduced Word Aware at school. We pick a word a week and explore its meaning to extend vocabulary and to develop understanding of more complex words. Next week's word will be **Respect**.

Just as a reminder we are a **NO NUT** School, we have a number of pupils who have allergies, this includes for some pupils, coconut allergy, please be mindful of pupils using sprays or body lotions as they can be sensitive to this.

We now have a sign of the week on our website and YouTube channel, [Bankside School - YouTube](#) Please have a look, subscribe and practice if you fancy it!



Thank you so much for supporting our very first parents evening. It was so lovely to have so many of you through the doors. Thank you also to the parents that have given feedback already. It is a real pleasure to welcome so many of you into the school and we already have plans to make it better in the summer. Thank you and if you have anymore feedback please let me know.

Mental Health Awareness Day

Staff and pupils embraced our mental health awareness day. We saw an array of colour at the school as the pupils embarked on focused activities to support with understanding their own mental health and activities designed to support with positive wellbeing and health. We created a Positivtree which all pupils and staff contributed to. This will be on display in the school so that pupils can be reminded of what others think makes them awesome. Mental wellness is at the heart of what we promote at Bankside and investing in positive mental wellbeing is not just confined to the day. We have a variety of opportunities daily for staff and pupils to reflect, repair and redo.



Pottery Workshops

We have had a Great British Pottery Throw Down star in school working with our pupils to create pieces of art that will grow with the school and stay with us as we move into the future, Dave Short has been in working with the pupils over the past few weeks to make tiles that will become a part of the fabric of the building. We have been very fortunate that he has been able to come in and work with us. The pupils have thoroughly enjoyed these sessions and have created some amazing art. Please see link for more photos. [Pottery with David Short - Bankside School](#)

