



Bankside School

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Visible Consistency, Visible Kindness

A lovely sunny time at school this week.

We have participated in a mock Ofsted this week, putting us through our paces and allowing us time to review and reflect on all we do.

It was recognised that, whilst we are still a very young school, we have made great progress over the last year.

We have received positive feedback as well as some guidance on our next steps which all reflect our own school self-evaluation and our vision for the future.

This week the staff team have reviewed all the Bankside's Got Talent entries and further information will follow shortly with regards to the final show on Wednesday 9th April. Well done to all those who participated in the auditions.

Once again, thank you for all your donations for Comic Relief. A few pupils delivered the items to the Foodbank this last week.

We hope you all have an enjoyable weekend.

Important Dates

Spring Term

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| 9 th April | - | Bankside's Got Talent - Open to parents and visitors |
| 11 th April | - | Last day of Term |
| 14 th - 25 th April | - | Easter holidays |

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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.

Bankside's Got Talent

We are excited to invite all parents and carers to the first ever Bankside's Got Talent show! Join us, Wednesday the 9th of April for an afternoon of performances, showcasing the amazing talents of our students. There will be a variety of acts including singing, comedy, and dance. All performed by our very own young stars. We can't wait to see you there to support our wonderful students!



This Weeks Recognition

Kay	For creating her own poem and then standing in front of her class and reciting it.
Archie	For making a huge effort to engage and complete tasks in his first music lesson with CaPe class, well done Archie!
Ola	For working really hard in all her lessons and catching up all her maths work that she missed.
Dylan	For his incredible perseverance and focus this week. He has shown great determination, pushing himself to complete all his tasks and staying engaged throughout. His hard work and commitment to his own progress have been fantastic to see. Well done, Dylan!
Ewan	For his incredible resilience and determination this week. He has worked hard to overcome his personal anxieties, facing challenges with courage and a positive attitude. No matter how difficult things have been, he has continued to push himself, showing real strength and perseverance. Well done, Ewan!
KS4 English - Zena, Holly, and Bryan	For using personification in their creative writing to 'leap' to L4 marking criteria.
Ollie, Zak and Jake	For showing resilience and focusing on their lesson.
Clare	For demonstrating determination and super engagement in all her activities and tasks at school. She is making such great progress. We are super proud of her!
The swimming group - Archie, Etta, Ren, Kay, Jayden, Hannah, William and Millie	They have all made brilliant progress in terms of their confidence and stamina in the water. They have all been brave in trying new skills to improve their swimming. The Swimming Instructor thinks they are fabulous and we completely agree!
KS3 English - Ollie, Zak, Jake	For showing resilience and focusing on their lesson.
Owen	For great dodgeball skills and being a good example in PE by giving his best effort.
Chester	For cooking some delicious brownies which he shared with friends and staff, and some lovely conversation with staff while he was making them.
Becca	For her determination with completing assessments and class work.
Zak	For his excellent contributions and positive attitude during Enterprise sessions.

Word of the Week

As a school we have introduced Word Aware. Each week we pick a word and explore it's meaning to extend vocabulary and to develop understanding of more complex words.

Next week, our Word of the week will be '**Friendship**'.

World Autism Acceptance Month

We are looking forward to beginning the month of April at Bankside School. April is an important month within our school community because 2nd April is World Autism Awareness Day, and the month is World Autism Acceptance Month. This international awareness month is intended to increase understanding and promote acceptance, which are important steps towards building a supportive society for autistic people. At Bankside School, we advocate for acceptance, and it is an essential part of our Ask-Accept-Develop strategy. Students will be invited to join an assembly on Monday 31st March to learn about Autism Awareness. For further information and resources about World Autism Acceptance Month, please visit the National Autistic Society website: <https://www.autism.org.uk/what-we-do/acceptance-and-awareness/world-autism-acceptance-month/at-school>

Science Activities

Our theme this term has been on 'Change and Adapt' and we have followed planning and resources provided by the British Science Association.

Pupils have been set different investigations to carry out including learning more about animal adaptations, how to defeat Cancer cells and lovely things such as bed bugs!

Most classes participated in making 'footprint tunnels' to monitor animals in our environment. It would seem that our neighbourly creatures enjoyed a 'free lunch' of dog food!



Food Bank Donation



 **Malvern Hills
Foodbank**
Together with Trussell

Charity number 1151964

Unit 4, Spring Court, Spring Lane South
Malvern WR14 1AT

**Thank You to Bankside College
for your donation of 62.25 kg
It is great to have your support**

Charly Lowndes

Signed Charly Lowndes Chairman

Date: March 2025

