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## *Friday Update*

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It has been a very wet week here at Balliol and the children have worked hard and coped well with the wet break and lunchtimes, hopefully they will get outdoors over the weekend.



It is competition time again and we are not at the top of the leader board!

Street Tag is a fun, free smartphone app that turns physical activity into a game and rewards you for this physical activity. Users run, walk or cycle and collect virtual tags through the app, giving them Street Tag points and then help their school move up the primary school leader board. It essentially turns Bedford Borough into a giant virtual playground. This campaign is a public health project supported by Bedford Borough Council and aims to increase mental and physical health first and foremost. In addition to the published prizes, the pupils could receive certificates, banners and lots of other rewards for active engagement.

Please join Balliol's team and help us win some amazing prizes!

Have a look at the website (link below) or download the Street Tag app on your phone.

If you need any help getting set up – come and see Mrs Bicknell on the gate in the morning.

[Street Tag | Balliol Primary School \(secure-primariesite.net\)](https://secure-primariesite.net)

- Please ensure that your child is keeping safe online. For any tips and advice, please have a look at our E-Safety information on the school website: [www.balliolschool.co.uk/e-safety](http://www.balliolschool.co.uk/e-safety)
- School shoes. Please ensure that your children have appropriate school shoes which should be black in colour. If you have any difficulties with this or require support, please let us know and we will try and help.

- School lunches – Please ensure that if you pay for school lunches that your child’s account is up to date.
- Do you think you might be entitled to Free School Meals? If you are not sure – have a look at the information on this site and apply. This could also entitle you to vouchers during the school holidays.

[Apply for free school meals | Bedford Borough Council](#)

Parking – it is becoming very congested on Hastings Road in the mornings. Please take care if you are parking to drop off the children and be considerate of our neighbours.

#### Parent Questionnaire 2024

Please see below the link for the Parent questionnaire, we would very much appreciate your responses. This form will close on Monday 12th February at 4pm.

<https://forms.office.com/r/DyJQGVbKWm>

If you have any questions or queries, please email the school office [office@balliolschool.co.uk](mailto:office@balliolschool.co.uk) or call on 01234 300601

Have a lovely weekend, and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday morning.