



Buckden Church of England Primary Academy

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Weekly Newsletter - Friday 7th September 2018

LEARNERS OF THE WEEK

The 'Learner of the Week' is a weekly award given by the classteachers to a pupil who has shown consistent learning behaviour in any area of the curriculum.

			Florence Nightingale	Jessie Presland
			Amelia Earhart	Grace Hall
Serena Williams	Tom Bettany			
Olave Baden-Powell	Sydney Atkins			
Emmeline Pankhurst	Charlotte Davis			
Rosa Parks	Sam Mayes			
Anne Frank	Harry Emeleus			
Marie Curie	Noah Ryan			
Queen Elizabeth II	Chiquera Sykes			
Coco Chanel	Emilia Bettany			
Anita Roddick	Arthur Hucklesby			

TALK HOMEWORK

Talk homework is linked to the learning taking place in the classroom. It is expected that you spend some time with your child discussing the talk homework. This will help to improve language and communication skills.

The discussions will be continued in class during next week.



MARIE CURIE	Talk about the different types of transport from the past and present.
QUEEN ELIZABETH II	
COCO CHANEL	Talk to your adults about the needs of plants and flowers.
ANITA RODDICK	
FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE	What do you think life was like in the Stone Age?
AMELIA EARHART	
SERENA WILLIAMS	Put the 6 x table to a tune and be ready to sing it. (It can be the tune of a song you already know or make up your own.)
OLAVE BADEN-POWELL	
EMMELINE PANKHURST	Discuss why you think the Vikings left their countries and invaded different places.
ROSA PARKS	Talk about how light behaves when it hits different surfaces.
ANNE FRANK	

Class Prayers

Every class in Buckden School has written their own prayer to be shared before lunchtime and at hometime. As a Church School, and following guidance from Ely Diocese, each child has the opportunity for quiet reflection at these key times of the day. The children enjoy writing and sharing their reflections within their classroom with their friends.



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ATTENDANCE MATTERS



WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Every week we will inform you of the school's overall attendance, and the class with the highest attendance for the week.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR WEEK BEGINNING 3rd September 2018 – **96.59%**

CLASS of the WEEK: **Olave Baden-Powell – 100%**

- Dinner Money for the Autumn Term**

	Autumn Term	Autumn Term 3 rd September – 19 th October	Autumn Term 30 th October – 20 th December
Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)	£167.90 (73 days)	£80.50 (35 days)	£87.40 (38 days)
Year 6 children who are going on the French Residential visit	£156.40 (68 days)	£69.00 (30 days)	£87.40 (38 days)

The cost of a school meal is £2.30 per day - £11.50 per week.

Key Stage 1 pupils are entitled to Free School Meals under the Universal Free School Meal Scheme.

Visitors meals are £3.50. If you would like to have a school meal with your child please book it at the school office in person or by telephone by 9.30 am.

- House captains are role models from Year 6 who are helpful, nice to all children across the school, kind, sincere and honest. The best two candidates in each house have been chosen, irrespective of gender, by staff across the school.

The responsibilities of the house captains include showing visitors around the school, helping in assemblies and helping on occasions when we have visitors in for tea and a chat.

The sports captains have a strong association with sporting activities both in and out of school. They will lead their house team at sports day and in inter-house competitions.

This years captains are:

	ARAGON	HARDWICK	HUGH	LINCOLN
HOUSE CAPTAINS	Imogen Drage Felix Thomas-Morgan	Daisy Presland Henry Waring	Matthew Cook Jasmyn Hubbard	Lucas Cheung Poppy Squire
SPORTS LEADERS	Jack Farrance Jessica Legge			
SPORTS CAPTAINS	Eloise Graves Sam Mayes	Charlie Barnes William Murphy	William Beamish Tilly Wall	Harrison Owen Joshua Young

- We have had queries from a number of parents who are unable to access their on-line Agora payment accounts. There has been an upgrade during the summer – when accessing your account link with the Microsoft windows sign.



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- Next Friday – 14th September – we will be having a non-uniform day. The children may come to school in non-uniform for a donation of £1.00. All money raised will go towards funding our track and outdoor play equipment. After school we will be having a Buckden Fete fundraiser on the school field. At the fete there will be many activities as well as a licensed bar and a barbecue. Please come along and support the fundraising for our new track.
- Music lessons will start as per the timetable below.

Instrument	Start date of lessons	Teacher
Guitar	Thursday 13 th September	Mr Ross Wilson
Drums	Friday 14 th September	Mr Paul Purcell
Violin	Week beginning 17 th September	Mrs Catherine Grigg
Piano		Mrs Catherine Grigg

Letters about payments will be sent out shortly.

- There is a meeting on Wednesday 12th September at 6.00 pm in the school hall for children and their parents who are visiting France, giving final details of the visit along with the kit list. Can all medical forms be returned by Tuesday 11th September. Thank you.

Please can your child's passport and E-HIC card be brought into the office by Friday 21st September. We need to ensure we have all documentation ready to avoid delays when we leave early on Monday 24th September.

- After school clubs will start week beginning 17th September. A letter with details of the clubs will be sent out soon.
- Jamworkx after school club will start on Thursday 13th September. A letter with the details will be sent home shortly.
- If there are any changes to parental or guardian contact details can you please inform the office staff. Please ensure the classteachers and office staff are informed of all the named adults who are allowed to collect your child at the end of the day.
If there are any last minute changes to the arrangements for after school pick up for your child/children, please telephone the school office and a message will be passed on to the classteachers.
- Circuits will start on Monday 1st October. During the coming weeks teachers will be assessing the children to see who would benefit from going to circuits. If your child attended circuits last year, they will continue to do so unless your hear from the school. For children who have not attended before, parents will receive a letter giving details of the sessions along with a consent form, which should be returned to the school office.
- If your child has an asthma inhaler please ensure it has been returned to school and the correct medical form has been completed. All asthma inhalers are kept in the classrooms.
If your child has been newly diagnosed please inform the office staff who will supply the medical form which will need to be completed and given to your child's classteacher.
- The school has vacancies for midday supervisors. You would be required to work for 1 hour at lunchtimes either 12.30pm – 1.30 pm or 12.45 pm – 1.45 pm. For further details please contact the school office – 01480 810241.



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- The school day starts at 8.45 am and ends at 3.15 pm. Please make sure your children are in school at the correct time and are collected at 3.15 pm. If you are late collecting your child please inform the school office, and a message will be passed on. The school gates are closed at 3.30 pm. Please ensure you have left the school premises by this time.

To help make the parking in and around the school easier we are asking parents to use the following guidelines:

- The car park in front of the school is for teachers and official visitors to the school only. Please do not park on the staff car park for dropping off or collecting your children.
- Please do not park on the yellow lines around the school, in the bus bay, or use these areas to drop or pick up your child/children. These areas are reserved for disabled parking and the school bus.
- Please do not park across the driveways of the local residents in School Lane, Greenway or Mill Road.
- Please do not park on, or near to, corners of roads. This can block visibility for road traffic and pedestrians.
- Please do not park in the car park by the shops.

If you have difficulty parking around the school, please use the car park at The Village Hall off Burberry Road, which is a short 5 minute walk to the school.

- When leaving a message on the absence line please state your child's name, their class and the reason for their absence. This will ensure the registers are marked with the correct code. If no reason is given the register will be marked as an unexplained unauthorised absence.
If your child is not at school and we have not received notification as to why they are absent by 9.30 am a member of the office staff will call parents to confirm the reason for your child's absence.
- Maps and voting forms for the Buckden Scarecrow Festival are available from the school office. All maps cost £1.00. All votes need to be cast by Friday 14th September – the winners will be announced at the school on 14th September.



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Diary Dates

Wednesday 12 th September	6.00 pm – Meeting for children and parents about the visit to France.
Friday 14 th September	3.15 pm – Buckden Fete
Friday 21 st September	3.00 – 4.00 pm – MacMillan Coffee Afternoon.
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th September	Year 6 residential visit to France.
Tuesday 2 nd October	7.30 pm – PTA AGM
Thursday 11 th October	Individual and family photographs.

(Details of all events will be sent home in the new term.)

Residential Visits

24 th - 28 th September 2018	Year 6 (current Year 5) residential visit to Normandy, France.
24 th – 26 th April 2019	Year 4 residential visit to Hilltop, Sheringham, Norfolk



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NEWS of FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT ST MARYS CHURCH, BUCKDEN.

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 8 th September	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room. Ride and Stride event.
Wednesday 12 th September	2.30 pm – Friends in Deed – Coffee in Living Stones Room.
Saturday 15 th September	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
15 th /16 th September	Heritage weekend.
Sunday 16 th September	2.00 pm & 3.30 pm – Tour of Church with Barry Jobling
Saturday 22 nd September	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
Sunday 23 rd September	Harvest Festival
Saturday 29 th September	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.

OCTOBER

Saturday 6 th October	10.00 am – Cleaning Crew at St Marys. 10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
Wednesday 10 th October	2.30 pm – Friends in Deed – Coffee in Living Stones Room. 10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
Saturday 13 th October	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
Saturday 20 th October	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.
Saturday 27 th October	10.30 am – 12.00 pm – Coffee and Cakes in Living Stones Room.



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TERM DATES

2018

Half Term
Monday 29th October
Autumn Term Closes

22 – 26 October
Professional Day
Thursday 20 December

2019

Spring Term Opens
Half Term
Spring Term Closes

Monday 7 January
18 – 22 February
Friday 5 April

Summer Term Opens
May Day
Half Term
Summer Term Closes

Tuesday 23 April
Monday 6 May
27 May – 31 May
Thursday 18 July

Professional Day
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Professional Day

Friday 19 July
Monday 22 July
Tuesday 23 July
Wednesday 24 July