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Friday 20th March 2026

Weekly Round-up

Term Times



Year 6 English Challenge

A few weeks ago, 4 children from Year 6 represented our school in one of the heats of the Cambridgeshire English Challenge, which was open for all schools in the county to enter. Over 100 schools took part in the heats, and as winners of our heat, our school (along with 11 others in the county) were invited to the County Final, which took place this week. The questions were significantly more challenging than previous rounds and the competition was tough! The children worked diligently for an hour and a half to solve English based puzzle problems and answer questions based on language and their knowledge of a range of literature - in a room of 50 children incredibly focussed and striving for success, it was so silent you could hear a pin drop! Although we didn't finish in the top 3 schools, our team did exceptionally well to be invited to this final event. Well done to Florence, Annabell, Scarlett and Jonah for doing such a fabulous job of representing our school - we feel very proud. Our school finished in a very credible 6th place out of the 12 schools invited to the final.



Odd Sock Day was a vibrant and joyous celebration of World Down Syndrome Day, filled with laughter and unity. The event encouraged everyone to embrace individuality by wearing mismatched socks, symbolizing the uniqueness of each person with Down syndrome. It was heartwarming to see the creativity and enthusiasm among the kids, as they proudly displayed their crazy, bright socks. The spirit of Odd Sock Day reminded us all of the beauty in diversity and the importance of acceptance and love for everyone.

Epilepsy Awareness day

We are pleased to let you know that we will be holding an Epilepsy Awareness Day on Thursday 26th March. To help us mark this important day, children are invited to wear a purple accessory—this could be a hat, socks, badge, scarf, hair accessory, or anything small in purple—to show their support. We are kindly asking for a £1 donation, which will go towards supporting The Rowland family's charity fundraising. Your contributions will help raise awareness and provide valuable support for those affected by epilepsy. Thank you, as always, for your generosity and community spirit.

Year 3 and EYFS Koinonia

Koinonia for Year 3 and EYFS will take place on the last day of term, Friday 27th March, starting at 2:30pm.

We warmly invite you to come into school to share and celebrate the children's learning from this term. This is a lovely opportunity to look through their work, talk to them about what they've enjoyed, and see the progress they've made.

Once you have finished looking at your child's work, you are welcome to take them home a little earlier for the end of term.

Please note that if you have children in other year groups, they will remain in class and will be dismissed at the usual time of 3:15pm, as their Koinonia sessions will take place on different days.

We look forward to welcoming you into school and hope you enjoy seeing all the fantastic learning the children have been doing.

Make A Difference Day

We had a fabulous event last year where we made a significant improvement to our children's environment with the help of some amazing volunteers and the support of a fabulous PTA - If you would like to be involved this year please Save the Date - Saturday 18th April and drop Mrs Heather mheather@bpa.act-academytrust.org letting her know your skills you are able to offer and whether you are able to offer a morning an afternoon or a full-day.

If your child is going to Grafham, please could you take a few minutes to fill in the medical form for us? It really helps us make sure we have everything we need to keep all the children safe, comfortable, and well looked after during the trip. The sooner we have the information, the easier it is for us to get everything organised.

Just a gentle reminder as well that the final payment is due on 13th April. Thank you so much for your support – we're really looking forward to giving the children an amazing experience at Grafham.

Do you have a spare couple of minutes to complete our parent survey? Your feedback is incredibly valuable to us, and it plays a big part in helping our school continue to grow, improve, and provide the best possible experience for our children.

By sharing your thoughts, you help us understand what we're doing well and where we can make things even better. We genuinely appreciate every response, and your voice makes a real difference in shaping the future of our school community.

Thank you so much for taking the time to support us – it means a lot.

Mental Health Support Team Update

We are pleased to share information about our local Mental Health Support Team (MHST), who work closely with parents, young people, and schools to support emotional wellbeing.

The MHST provides guided self-help strategies and practical interventions using Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT). They also work directly with schools to develop a Whole School Approach to mental health—supporting the wellbeing of children, families, and staff across the whole school community.

Alongside this, the team offers consultations and one-off sessions for young people and parents or carers when a longer intervention may not be needed. They also link with other services, help with referrals, and signpost families to additional sources of support.

If you would like more information or feel your child may benefit from support, please see the leaflet below or talk to your child's teacher.

Make a self-referral to the Mental Health Support Team

Are you:

- A young person aged 13-18 years.
- A parent/carer of a primary or secondary school child.
- A professional wanting support for a primary or secondary school child.



Scan Me!

Looking for support?

If you or your child attends a school that is supported by a Mental Health Support Team (MHST), you can make a self-referral to the MHST, and they may be able to support you with mild to moderate mental health difficulties. This includes:

- Low mood
- Anxiety/Worry
- Challenging behaviour

To check whether you or your child attends an MHST school, to find out more about the service or to make a referral, please scan the QR code or visit -

cambspborochildrenshealth.nhs.uk/MHST-referral

If your school is not listed as an MHST school, please visit www.cpft.nhs.uk/youunited/ to find out more about YOUNited or to make a referral.

Who to contact in a crisis:

If you think you or someone else is experiencing a mental health crisis, call NHS First Response Service on **111** and select the mental health option to speak to an NHS professional.

For life-threatening emergencies call **999**.

FOR EACH YEAR GROUP

EASTER COMPETITION

THURSDAY 26TH
MARCH

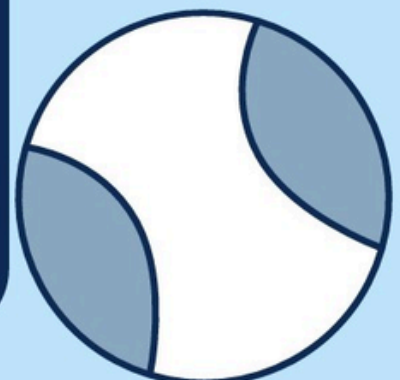
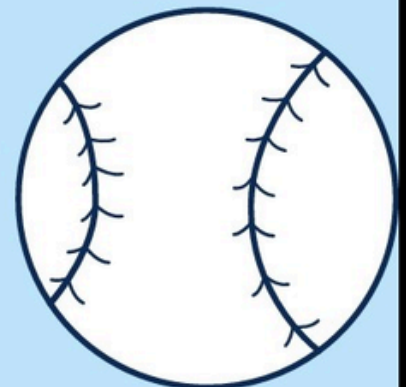
THERE WILL BE A WHITE CHOCOLATE
DROP HIDDEN IN A CHOCOLATE
MUFFIN! FIND THE DROP AND
YOU'LL WIN AN EASTER EGG.

Simply sign your child up for a
school dinner and they will
automatically receive a
muffin.


EVERY DIETARY REQUIREMENT WILL BE
ACCOMMODATED.



BOOK VIA ARBOR



BUCKDEN EASTER SPORTS SESSIONS

 Buckden Towers, PE19 5TA

Monday 30th March 10am - 12pm



Wednesday 1st April 10am - 12pm

Wednesday 8th April 10am-12pm

Join us for some FREE fun & active sessions for 5-11 year olds, with a range of sports on offer.



To book, please complete the following form or scan the QR code:

<https://forms.office.com/e/NuEiwWZsf8>



Music Mindset Coaching



Help Your Child Build Confidence Through Music!

— Charlotte Cunningham —

🎵 Music Educator, Performer & Confidence Coach for Kids 🎵

Using music-based coaching, I help children:

- ✓ Build Confidence
- ✓ Express Emotions Safely
- ✓ Reduce Anxiety
- ✓ Feel Seen & Empowered



Instruments taught:



Contact me to learn how music can empower your child!

✉ instrumentalcoachingkids@gmail.com



Storytime with Belle

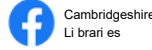
St Neots Library

Wednesday 8th April 10.30am

Join Belle the princess for a morning of stories, games and dancing.

Free event, suitable for children aged 3+.

Please call into St Neots Library to book your free place. Booking essential as places are limited.



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DYNAMO CRICKET



St Neots Library

Easter Holiday Events

Junior Drawing Club - Monday 30th March, 2-3.30pm
Drawing activities for children

Paper Crafts - Wednesday 1st April, 2-3pm
Suitable for children 7+

Easter Crafts - Thursday 2nd April, 10-11am

With the Child & Family Centre (Phone 01480 372700 to book)

Lego Club - Tuesday 7th April, 2-3.30pm

Storytime with Belle - Wednesday 8th April, 10.30am
Stories, rhymes and games (Booking essential)

Plus, Easter trail, family craft activities, and our regular weekly activities.

For more information, speak to a member of staff, visit our Facebook page, or email: StNeots.Library@Cambridgeshire.gov.uk



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STARTING THURS 7TH MAY

SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP TODAY!

Fun Facts

Cows have best friends
And they get stressed when
they're apart. Moo-d swings are
real.



Fun Fact

Butterflies taste with their feet
They land on a plant and
instantly know if it's good to eat.



Attendance Fact

Irregular attendance disrupts
peer relationships and
undermines belonging,
leading to social isolation and
mental health challenges.

Catch Up on Past Newsletters

What's going on locally? click here to find out



Homework

Talk

Linking learning from the classroom to life at home can help to improve language and communication skills. We will continue these discussions in class next week.

EYFS

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Year 3

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