

Think It.

Friday 3rd July 2026

Believe It.

Term Times

Live It.

Weekly Round-up

Mark your Calendars

**8th/9th
July - Year
6 play**

**10th July
Year 3
Trip**

**14th July-
Year 5
Trip**

**16th July -
Last day of
Term**

As you are all probably aware by now, at the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to several valued members of staff.

Mrs Keating, Mr Geary and Miss Greaves will all be moving on to new adventures. We would like to thank them for everything they have contributed to our school community and wish them every happiness and success for the future.

We are also incredibly sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Marsh, who has been the face of Buckden School for so many years. Having dedicated an amazing 22 years to our school, Mrs Marsh has been a true force of nature. Her commitment, warmth, and unwavering support for our pupils, families and staff have left a lasting impact, and she will be greatly missed. It is hard to imagine Buckden School without her, and she is truly irreplaceable.

While we will all miss Mrs Marsh enormously, we hope she enjoys a very happy and well-deserved retirement, making wonderful memories and spending precious time with her amazing family.

On behalf of everyone at Buckden School, we would like to thank all four members of staff for everything they have done and wish them all the very best for the future.

Class Names

This year's class names were chosen in collaboration with the pupils and are based on endangered bird species found in the UK.

EYFS

Mrs Heal - Puffin Mrs Woodward - Swift

Year 1

Miss Freeman - Starling Miss Murkett- Dipper

Year 2/3

Mrs Jaynes - Yellow Hammer Mrs Butcher-Kittiwake Mrs Farmer- Merlin

Year 4/5

Mrs Conlong- Tern Mrs Wall- White Tailed Eagles Msr Schmidt/Anderson-
Lapwing

Year 6

Mrs Purser- Osprey

Mrs Walker-Eider

Norfolk Lakes Payment

This is a reminder that the deadline to pay the remaining balance for the Year 6 Norfolk Lakes residential trip in September was 19th June.

If you have not yet paid the outstanding balance, please do so via Arbor no later than Monday, 6th July.

Please be aware that if the full balance is not received by this date, we may be unable to confirm your child's place on the trip, and they may therefore not be able to attend.

If you believe you have already made this payment, please disregard this reminder.

Lost Property Has Grown Again!

Our lost property collection is looking like a world of its own!

If you think your child has misplaced an item of school uniform, there's a good chance you'll find it here.

Lost property will be laid out on the benches next week for parents and carers to look through. Please take a few minutes to check if any items belong to your child.

Any unclaimed items by Friday 10th July will be donated to the PTA's second-hand uniform shop.

Thank you for your support in helping us reunite lost items with their owners!

Summer Family Programme at The Norris Museum

18 JUL SAT TO 31 AUG MON

The Time Travel Gallery Trail Summer Sticker Book!

Complete different gallery trails across the summer holidays and earn stickers to fill your FREE Summer Sticker Book! Five new trails each week, each trail taken down after two weeks - during museum opening times of 10am to 4pm, Monday to Saturday.

28 JUL TUE

Time Travel Family Fun 10am to 3pm

Celebrate 600 years of Bridge Chapel with:

- Medieval/Tudor music, dancing and stories
- Living history artisans
- A customisable LEGO Bridge Chapel
- Family trails and dragon puppet making
- Reduced-price river trips from The Waits around the chapel with the St Ives Electric Boat Company
- FREE to drop in

**5 & 6 AUG
WED & THU**

Arts Award Discover SEND W: 1-3pm

T: 10am-12pm - Creative arts award programme for young people with SEND
BOOKING REQUIRED - £15

7 AUG FRI

Marvellous Mosaics 10-11:30am or 1:30-3pm

Family craft workshop - clay mosaic tiles with real glass tesserae - BOOKING REQUIRED - prices vary

11 AUG TUE

**If Trees Could Talk
11am to 3pm** - trails, crafts & more at The Norris Museum, Holt Island, and St Ives Methodist Church - FREE to drop in

**19 & 20 AUG
WED & THU**

Arts Award Discover SEND W: 1-3pm

T: 10am-12pm - Creative arts award programme for young people with SEND
BOOKING REQUIRED - £15

21 AUG FRI

Marvellous Mosaics: Moving on

10am-12pm or 1-3pm
Family craft workshop - clay mosaic bowl with real glass tesserae - BOOKING REQUIRED - prices vary

25 AUG TUE

The Three Little Pigs Move to St Ives - 10:30-11:30AM

Storytelling, crafts & activities for 3+ year olds
BOOKING REQUIRED
- prices vary

26 AUG WED

Arts Award Discover in a Day

10AM-3PM
Creative arts award workshop
BOOKING REQUIRED - £15

**BOOK OR
FIND OUT MORE**



Take a look at our website & Facebook page - tickets available: tickettailor.com



**THE
NORRIS
MUSEUM**

Wherever Your
Curiosity Takes You

norrismuseum.org.uk
01480 497314
41 The Broadway, St Ives PE27 5BX



Buckden Parish Council

TEEN

SUMMER EVENT

2026

Ages 11-18



WHEN?

Friday 24th July 2026, 2:30pm - 6:30pm

WHERE?

Buckden Village Hall

! ALL DAY PUMP TRACK with bikes & helmets!

- ▶ DJ Workshops & Beat Boxing with a World Champion!
- ▶ Multi-Sports & CPR Training!
- ▶ Youth Voice: Share Your Ideas!
- ▶ Creative Art Painting Workshop
- ▶ Lots of Fun Activities!



FREE PIZZA!

Calling All Skaters, Bikers & More!

A Second Trial Pump Track Launching 1st August 2026!

JOIN US!



Scan to
Book Your Spot!





27th-31st July
18th-21st August
25th-28th August

Choose full course or select days

Blue/Red (4-7 years)
11am-1pm

Orange/Green (8-11 years)
11am-1pm

Yellow (12+ years)
1.30pm-3.30pm



Buckden Tennis Club
**CHILDREN'S
SUMMER
HOLIDAY
COURSES**

Book now at www.nptennis.co.uk or
for information email buckden@nptennis.co.uk



SUMMER CAMPS



ALCONBURY SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB, PE28 4EX
AUGUST 3RD - 14TH
8:30-4:30PM



FREE!!

NO COST FOR THOSE ELIGIBLE
OR FROM ONLY £18

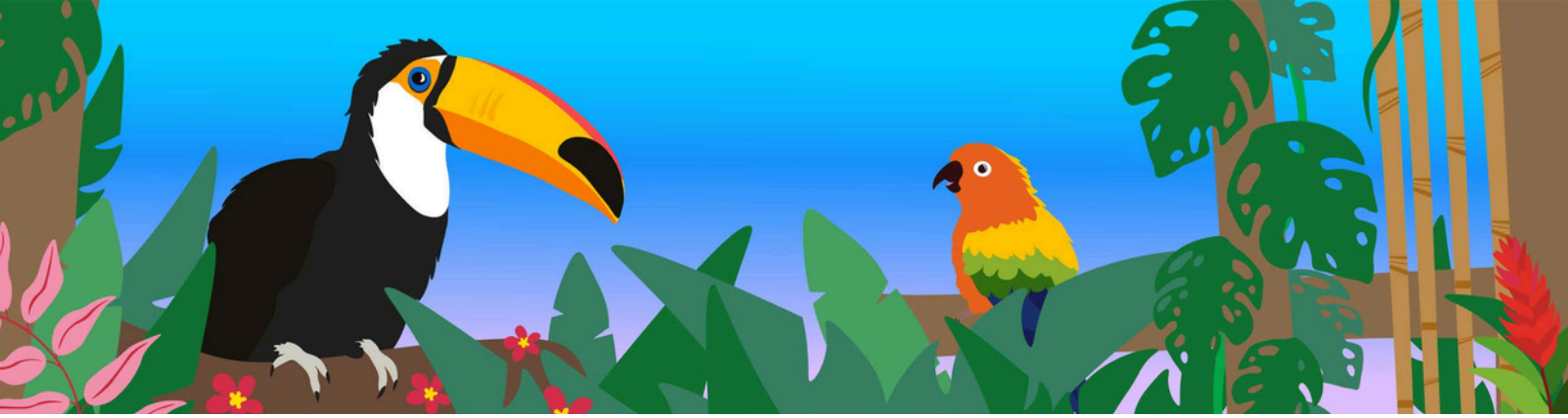
- **INCLUDING- ARTS & CRAFTS, MARTIAL ARTS, GIANT INFLATABLES, ANIMAL EXPERIENCES, COOKING, AXE THROWING, LASER TAG, SPORTS & GAMES, PLUS MANY MORE!**



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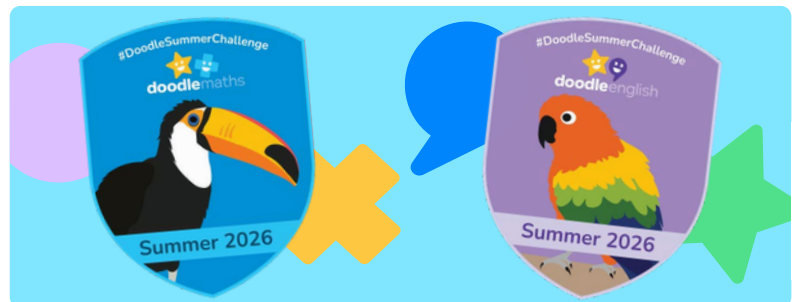


The Doodle Summer Challenge

1st of July - 31st of August 2026

Earn a pin badge and certificate!

Between the **1st of July - 31st of August**, Doodle are running two exciting Summer Challenges — the DoodleMaths Challenge and the DoodleEnglish Challenge!



Both Challenges are designed to encourage a few minutes of daily Doodling, keeping your child engaged in their learning and boosting their skills. Plus, they can **earn exclusive rewards** by taking part!

How to take part

1 Create or link your account

If you haven't already, create and/or link a parent account to your child's school account. To find out how to do this, see the reverse of this flyer or visit help.doodlelearning.com and search **'how to link account'**.

2 Register for the Challenge

From the **1st of July**, visit parents.doodlelearning.com and press **Register** next to your child's name for one or both Challenges.* **The last day to register for and begin the Challenge is the 18th of August.**

3 Doodle 'little and often'

Once you've registered, encourage your child to **earn 750 stars** (or **600** if they were born after August 2018) and use **DoodleMaths and/or DoodleEnglish for 14 days*** between the **1st of July – 31st of August.**

*These 14 days don't need to be in a row. A day of use is defined as completing at least one exercise between 00:01 and 23:59.

4 Receive a pin badge and certificate!

Once they've reached their target, we'll send a **pin badge to their school.** This will arrive after the Challenge comes to an end. You can also claim a **personalised certificate** for them by visiting parents.doodlelearning.com and pressing **Download certificate.** The last chance to do this is midnight on the 25th of September.



Tag us and use the hashtag **#DoodleSummerChallenge**

For more information, please visit doodlelearning.com/challenge.

Any questions? Visit help.doodlelearning.com and press on the green circle icon to chat to our team.



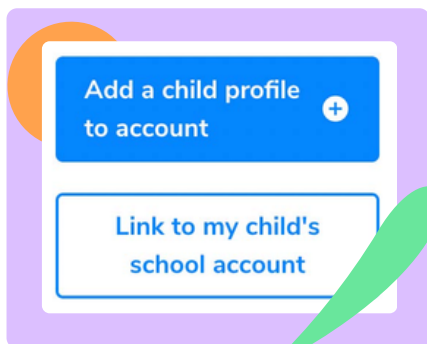
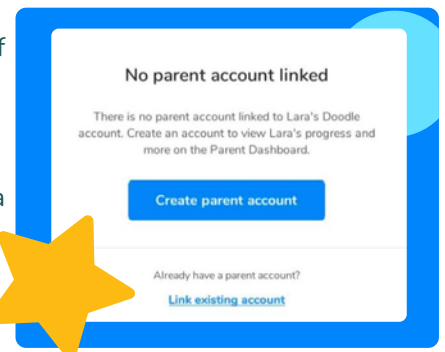
How to create and/or link a parent account to your child's school account

Creating a parent account is really important (and really easy!). By doing this, you'll be able to enter the Summer Challenge and claim your child's personalised certificate by visiting parents.doodlelearning.com, our online parent hub.



How to create and/or link a parent account via the Doodle apps

- 1 Log in to any of the Doodle apps using the username and password provided by your child's school. **If you're not sure what these are, please contact your child's school rather than creating a new account for them.**
- 2 From the Learning Zone, click on the arrow icon in the top left-hand corner of the screen
- 3 Select **Settings** and press **Parent details**
- 4 If you're new to Doodle, choose **Create parent account**. If you already have a Doodle account, click on **Link existing account**.
- 5 Enter your details to link your email address to your child's account



How to create and/or link a parent account via the Parent Dashboard

- 1 Visit parents.doodlelearning.com
- 2 If you're new to Doodle, click on **Create account** and follow the instructions. After you've done this, log in to parents.doodlelearning.com. If you already have a parent account, log in to parents.doodlelearning.com.
- 3 Once you've logged in, hover over **My account** and select **Child details**
- 4 Click on **Link to my child's school account** and enter the username and password provided by your child's school. **If you're not sure what these are, please contact your child's school rather than creating a new account for them.**

Good luck, and happy Doodling!

*The Challenge available will depend on your school's Doodle subscription. If you'd like to join both Challenges but your school does not subscribe to DoodleMaths or DoodleEnglish, a home subscription can be taken out in the subject you're not subscribed to. To receive 2 FREE weeks of a home subscription, please visit doodlelearning.com/challenge-offer.



Summer Day plans

- Create an art day
Paint, draw, make friendship bracelets, or build something from recycled materials.

Summer Plans

- Go on a bike ride or long walk
- Explore a new trail, stop for an ice cream, and take photos along the way.

Catch Up on Past Newsletters

Early development plays a role in children's success. The government's Best Start in Life strategy is strengthening children's early development by expanding high-quality early education and family support, helping more children start school ready to learn. Regular school attendance builds on these early foundations to support their future success.

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

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6



P.T.A.
News



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