



Buckden CE Academy Weekly Round

Friday 11th October

Welcome to our weekly news Round-Up which we hope will help you keep up to date with all that happens in school.

Year 4 Residential visit to Hilltop, Sheringham, Norfolk.

If your child is in Year 4 and would like to go on the residential visit to Hilltop, Norfolk 22nd – 24th April 2020, please inform the school office as soon as possible. We have to confirm numbers before the end of this half term.

Thank you.

Reading Books

If anyone has any unused or unwanted children's books in their bookcases and would like to donate them to the school we would be very grateful. We are looking mainly for children's fiction books of all levels.

Can you bring them to the school office for us to put in the library.

Thank you.

Koinonia Community Day – Friday 18th October

On Friday 18th October the school will have a Koinonia afternoon. The school will be open at 2.00 pm for parents and grandparents who have been invited by the children to share their work from this half term.

During the afternoon the PTA will be in the hall selling refreshments and sweet cones.

Please can the parents of children in Year 6 provide cakes for this event.

Thank you.

Diary Dates

OCTOBER 2019

Fri 18th – 2.00 pm Koinonia (Community) Friday

Wed 30th – 9.00 am – Parent Drop in sessions with family worker

10.00 am – SEN Coffee morning

Thurs 31st – Final date for application to secondary school for Year 6.

NOVEMBER 2019

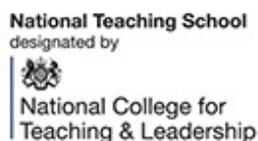
Mon 4th – 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents.

Thu 7th – 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm Open Afternoon for prospective parents

Fri 8th – Miss Lizell's walk around Grafham. Non-uniform day.

JUNE 2020 – DATE TO REMEMBER

Saturday 13th – BUCKDEN SHOWCASE at





Miss Lizell's Walk

As you maybe aware, the PTA have been working tirelessly for a number of years to improve the outdoor space for our children. We are very grateful for their hard work. The children are enjoying using the equipment that has already been purchased and are looking forward to using more equipment once it has arrived.

With fundraising in mind, I am delighted to inform you of an event I am planning for Friday 8th November. I will be doing a 12 hour sponsored walk around Grafham Water starting at 6.00 am and finishing at 6.00 pm. The reason I am doing this is because I would like to introduce a variety of new sports at Buckden and for us to do that we need to purchase new equipment. Every penny raised from the walk will support our PE lessons and give the children more opportunities and experiences of sports outside the mainstream sports.

On this day the children can come to school dressed as their sporting hero (if they do not have one just yet, then sports kit will be just fine). In return we are asking for a £1.00 donation towards the fundraiser.

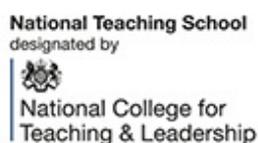
Throughout the day I will be sending the school updates and have a live tracker so the children can see my progress. I would like to invite you to join me at the end of the school day. If you would like to walk with me and the staff during my last few gruelling hours, yourselves and the children would be very welcome.

I have a small final plea - if you know of any local businesses or sports businesses who would be interested in sponsoring the event please do get in touch with me - lheather@buckdenacademy.org .

A message from the EYFS Team

This afternoon your child will be bringing home some 'Going for Gold' vouchers. The purpose of these are for you to share with us any 'Wow' moments your child may have had. It could be riding a bike, swimming, dressing unaided, using lovely manners, helping with chores, reading, writing, maths or saying something amazing that you didn't know they knew. Whatever their moment we would like to know about it. Please send the completed vouchers into their classteacher as and when these events occur so we can celebrate their achievements with them and include them in their learning journey.

Mrs Woodward, Mr Palmer and Mrs Dunford.





Your child will have brought home their school photograph proofs. Instructions on how to order copies of the photographs are included in the pack with the proofs. You can either order directly with the photographer, or via the school office. If you wish to order via the school office, all orders have to be returned by Thursday 31st October.

The MacMillan Coffee event organised by the PTA raised £151.06, which has been donated to the MacMillan charity.

Thank you for your support.

PTA News

Following the AGM earlier this week the PTA have a new committee.

Chair – Caroline Schmidt (supported by Sally Shields).

Vice Chair – Tizzy Pape (supported by Liz Bateson).

Treasurer – Lindsey Page.

Pumpkin Competition

The pupils of Buckden Academy have been working very hard on the school allotment this term and have successfully produced some very impressive pumpkins.

In order to showcase our pumpkin produce, we would like to have a 'Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin' fund raiser. It will be held during playtime of the week beginning 14th October (next week). This will be a great way to raise money for the allotment allowing for more impressive produce to be grown!

If your child would like to participate in 'Guess the Weight of the Pumpkin,' can they bring 50p for one guess or alternatively £1 for three guesses. The children may have as many guesses as they like. The child with the nearest correct guess will win the pumpkin. All proceeds from the competition will be used to fund allotment and gardening club projects.

We thank you for your continued support.



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.

Ellie Simmonds	Talk about the 5 senses. Name the parts of the body that use the senses.
Jonnie Peacock	
Alistair Brownlee	Tell an adult about the friend that you made for the Lonely Beast. Use adjectives to describe what it looks like and how it behaves.
Max Whitlock	
Simone Biles	What do you think is inside the earth?
Jessica Ennis-Hill	
Usain Bolt	We have researched Kenyan textile patterns. Tell somebody at home what we have found out.
Muhammad Ali	
Helen Glover	Find out about the phases on the moon.
Hannah Macleod	
Paula Radcliffe	Talk about our Power of Reading book – ‘The Last Wild’. Would you recommend it? Why?