



Bottisham Primary School Newsletter

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Summer Term

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Do As You Would Be Done By

As we have begun the final half term of this academic year, we have been taking time to think about the way that we treat others. We have been learning about compassion—about considering others' feelings and behaving kindly and helpfully towards them. We can hurt others, unintentionally, by not thinking about how they are feeling at the time. Many of our pupils show real compassion for others. For example, Nathan Water-son sent me a letter asking if we, as a school could support the RNLI—the '4th emergency service' and Evie Chetwynd and Mairi Robinson popped in to express their concern for the way that we treat our outdoor school and home environments. Over the weeks, during assemblies and in class we will continue to think about treating each other as we ourselves would like to be treated and showing compassion in our class, school and community.
Mrs Perry

New Reception Lunch

We are looking forward to welcoming our new Reception children and their parents to join us for a school lunch on Monday 24th June. If you have any queries about this, please speak to a member of the school office.

Attendance

As you know, we are required to closely monitor the attendance of all the children and classes in our school. If a child's attendance has dropped below 96%, for whatever reason, we are required to inform you of this by sending a letter home to make you aware of the amount of learning time missed by your child.

There is a County Council expectation that all schools in Cambridgeshire will make a referral for a Fixed Penalty Notice for term time leave – known as unauthorised absences. These may be actioned for 8 non-consecutive unauthorised absences over an 8 week period or 6 consecutive unauthorised absences over a 3 day period (each day counts as 2 sessions – morning and afternoon). Every week we calculate the class attendance percentages. This week:

- 1st Maple 99%
- 2nd Sycamore 98.3%
- 3rd Ash 97.9%
- 3rd Oak 97.9%

Parent Drop-ins

If you have a question about your children and would like 1:1 advice around things such as behaviour, anxiety, sleeping, sibling rivalry or self-esteem, why not go along to one of Cambridgeshire's Parent and Carer support drop-ins and chat to their experienced family workers. Book by

[Parent and Carer 1:1 support drop-ins in your area](#)



Drop-ins are an opportunity for parents, carers and families to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting their family life in a relaxed and confidential environment.

Come along to one of our Parent and Carer support drop-ins and chat to our experienced family workers.

Bottisham, Churchfields, Sycamore and Lonsdale Primary Schools

contacting the Family Worker
Danielle – 07770 701869 or 01223 715335
danielle.cousins@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Linda – 07786 171619 or 01223 714676
linda.beeton@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
or alternatively, just turn up.

PTA Summer Fair

The date for the PTA Summer Fair is Friday 12th July. Please keep this date in your diary and plan to join us for this fun-filled family event.

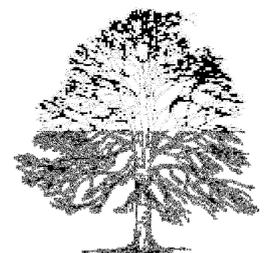
Diary Dates 2019

Summer Term

- Wednesday 12th June—BVC Transition visit
- Thursday 13th June— Cedar Class Assembly
- Wednesday 19th June—Oak Class Assembly
- Thursday 20th June— Y1&2 Trip to Shepreth
- Friday 21st June—Science Day
- Monday 24th June—New Reception lunch
- Wednesday 26th June—New Reception Parents' Evening
- Friday 28th June—Ash Class Assembly
- Thursday 27th June—New Nursery Parents' Evening
- Monday 1st July—Rock Steady Concert
- Tuesday 2nd July—Arty Science Day
- Thursday 4th July—Open Evening 5-6pm
- Thursday 4th July—Music Concert 6-7pm
- Wednesday 10th July—Year 6 Play
- Thursday 11th July—Sports Day
- Friday 12th July—PTA Summer Fair
- Wednesday 17th July—PTA disco 5-8pm
- Wednesday 24th July—Leavers' Assembly
- Summer Term closes – Wednesday 24th July

Autumn Term 2019

- Monday 2nd September and
- Tuesday 3rd September - Training Days. School closed to children
- Wednesday 4th September—Autumn Term opens.



Governor Updates

Our governing board are looking for some new recruits! Please see the attached advert and get in touch with the Chair to arrange an informal chat, if you think you may be interested.

Are you looking for a new challenge?

A Governor role at **Bottisham Primary School** could be just what you are looking for!



This is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to the life of our wonderful school - to find out more, please contact Jo Middleton or the School Office.

 chair@bottishamprimary.org

School Dinners

Thanks to all of you who pay in advance for your child's school dinner at the start of the week. This really helps Mrs Hobson and Mrs Halpin to manage monies and payments and prevents the need to send Payment Reminder letters. Of course, you are able to pay for the half term in one payment if you prefer. Payments can be made using the school's online payment system Agora. If you do not yet have an Agora password or need help in using it, please speak to the school office. Alternatively, payments can also be made using cash or cheque. Please make cheques payable to Bottisham Primary School.

School dinners are free for children in YR-Y2. Prices for children in KS2 are as follows:

- £2.30 per day
- £11.50 per week

Please see the school office for more information.

Open Evening and Music Concert

On Tuesday 4th July we are holding an open evening between 5 –

6pm. This will give parents and children an opportunity to walk around the school and see examples of work from the year and to visit new classrooms. Following this we will be holding a music concert in the school hall between 6 – 7pm. This will give children who have been learning an instrument or taken part in our different music clubs this year a chance to perform. Due to the demand for places, the music concert will only be for parents of the children who will be performing.

Animal Experience

On Monday 3rd June, the children in Nursery and Reception had an exciting visit from the 'Animal Experience'. They brought a selection of African Animals, including a chameleon, a python and a meerkat. After listening to some information about each animal, the children had the opportunity



to touch or hold some of the animals, which was a first experience for many of them.

Many thanks to the PTA for funding this experience and helping to bring our 'Amazing Animals' topic to life!

Reception and Nursery Meetings

We are holding information meetings for the parents of our new Nursery and Reception children. The Reception parents' meeting is on Wednesday 26th June and the Nursery parents' evening is on Thursday 27th June.

This will be an opportunity to meet the teachers and find out a bit more about how to support your child in their transition.

Sporting Events

Mrs McGrath works really hard to ensure that our pupils are involved in a range of inter-school sporting activities. These are some of the upcoming events:

11th June—Year 5/6 Mixed Cricket Tournament @ BVC

13th June Year 3/4 Mixed Cricket Tournament @ Whittlesford Cricket Club
20th June—Year 3/4 Multi-sports Festival @ Abby Complex

27th June—Year 1 Tennis Festival @ BVC

11th July—Sports' Day

15th July—Year 3/6 Swimming Gala @ Parkside Pools

Letters have already been sent out for some of these events.

Please may we have the consent slips back to enable the children to take part.

Mrs McGrath would like to remind children and parents to return tournament kit as soon as possible after the event. If any school kit is still lurking in a washing basket, we would be really grateful to have it back!

Year 5/6 Production

We are so excited about the upcoming Y5/6 production of 'Aladdin Trouble' on Wednesday 10th July. Tickets are now available on our online booking system at

<https://bottisham.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

Flat Roof Repairs

From the 22nd June there will be scaffolding and contractors in our playground repairing our flat roofing. Thank you for your patience in accessing classrooms whilst this work takes place. We are very grateful to Anglian Learning for providing financial support to facilitate these important repairs.