



Bunwell in Brief

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What we have been learning



Ladybirds: In Ladybirds we have been learning about two famous nurses, Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell. We have learnt about the difference they have made to modern day nursing and have been learning what nurses do. Our role play area has been a Doctors Surgery and we have had lots of fantastic role play around this topic. In literacy we have been learning what to do in emergency situations and writing instructions to follow. In maths we have been learning more about addition and subtraction and completing lots of subtraction problems.

Hedgehogs: In Hedgehogs we have been learning more about the planets and our solar system. In Maths we have been learning to divide and more about number. In RE we have been learning about Passover.

Badgers: In the Badgers we have now completed our diary entries. They are excellent and really show the children's progress! We are continuing our flight topic and beginning to look at how things fly, thinking about experiments and learning about the fundamentals of keeping planes in the air! In maths we will be moving away from multiplication and division and looking at area and volume next week.

Foxes: We have continued with our 'Space' topic; the children have planned their own mission to an unknown planet and they have been learning about the origins of the telescope. In maths, we have been working with percentages and in English we have been focussing on answering questions precisely in reading comprehension and on certain elements of punctuation. We have also spent some time looking at some of the stories that underpin Hinduism.

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Bunwell PTA

Calling new members! The PTA do a fantastic job of fundraising for the school with the weekly cake raffle, film nights, St Nicks, Bunfest and Bingo night to name a few.

The funds are spent on fabulous experiences for the children such the Greek and Egyptian workshops, annual Easter egg hunt, Kimmy's mobile zoo visit and helping with the cost of other trips.

However, in order to continue this, they are really in need of some more members. If you would like to help out and support your child's school, please get in touch.

Online Safety

Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday 6th February. We do a lot of work with the children about online safety as part of an on-going programme. Children are vulnerable on-line, even when you think they are just playing computer games.



Achievements



Well done to all of the children who received a pupil of the week certificate! Keep up the good work.

PE Kit

Do you have any spare, unwanted or outgrown PE kit, particularly plimsolls or trainers? If so, we would like it for our spares box. Bring it along to the office and give it to Mrs Davis.

During the colder months, children are welcome to bring a pair of black sports trousers and sports jumper (ideally blue or black) to keep themselves warm when doing PE outside.

School Site Safety

In order to keep the children safe on the school site, please do not bring dogs on to the Ladybirds playground.

We would be grateful if you did not park or stop on either the yellow zigzag lines to the front of the school, or the gravel area. Please also do not double park with other cars.

Attendance

If your child is unwell please ring the office every day they are off and bring in any appointment cards in order for us to mark the registers correctly.

Code of Conduct

Children are sponges and pick up everything around them from the way we speak to our actions and habits. It is vital that we teach our children the right way to speak to others and the message of 'treating others as you would wish to be treated.'

Head of School News

Parents, carers and families are by far the most important influences in their children's lives. They mould how young people think about education, their future and the world around them. Therefore, their support is vital for schools. Parents being engaged in their children's learning has a significant positive effect on their achievements and turns aspirations into achievable outcomes.

For children the benefits are huge; increased attendance, improved attainment and achievement, increased motivation, higher levels of confidence and self-esteem, improved behaviour and social skills. Similarly, there are also huge benefits for the parents, carers and families. With positive engagement, there is a shared understanding of education and raised aspirations for their children. Parents themselves see increased confidence and skills.

For us as schools we could not do our job without your support, positive parental engagement means better communication, higher pupil achievement and improved behaviour and attendance.

We are always looking for new ways to engage parents and the community. If you would like to volunteer to support us in school, as part of the PTA or in another way please let us know.

Bunwell PTA

If you wish to get involved please email Mrs Bunn on sue.bunn@hotmail.co.uk, contact one of the PTA members or give your details to Mrs Davis in the school office and we will let you have more details.

Please join the PTA Facebook page to keep up to date with what's going on.

Dates for your Diary



Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th February – Y6 Languages Day at Long Stratton High School

Monday 12th February – Half Term

Thursday 1st March - World Book Day

Monday 12th March – Hedgehogs class trip – more details to follow

Tuesday 13th March – Badgers and Foxes class trips – more details to follow

Thursday 22nd March – Parents' Evening 2pm -7pm

Friday 23rd March – Sport Relief

Wednesday 28th March – Last day of term

Thursday 29th March – INSET

More dates to follow

Have a great week!

Miss E. Husbands