



Bunwell in Brief

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Together, we will strive to ensure that we C.A.R.E and our children are: **confident, able learners, responsible members of the community and effective learners.**

What we have been learning



Ladybirds: This week we have been learning about what Fairtrade means and what foods we can buy that are Fairtrade. We have also been baking with all the other children in the school using Fairtrade ingredients.

Hedgehogs: This week the children have been learning about what Fairtrade means. They have also been finding out about different Fairtrade foods and where they are grown. In topic the children have been creating a piece of artwork showing the different seasons and have been finding out about climates in different parts of the world.

Badgers: In Badgers this week we have been learning about Fairtrade along with the rest of the school. The children have enjoyed making the various items in the different classes. We have also stocked our aquarium with eight fish. Pictures on DOJO soon. The children will be learning about maintenance over the coming weeks.

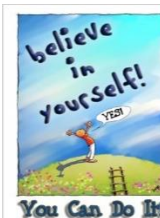
Foxes: Foxes spent two days learning about Fairtrade and making different Fairtrade recipes, this culminated in the Fairtrade Café after school which was a great success. In maths this week we have been learning about percentages. In English with Miss Husbands we have started to read *The Firework Maker's Daughter*.

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Tree Planting

We can't see the wood for the trees! Can you help? We have lots of trees from the Woodland Trust which need planting and are looking for volunteers to help, more information to follow.

Mindset Moments



Achievements

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

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

On Thursday it is World Book Day and we are inviting all the children (and staff) to dress up as their favourite book character. The costume can be as simple or as elaborate as you like! There is a wealth of ideas online. World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading, especially for children. On the day every child will receive a £1 voucher to spend on a book. Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous—so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child.

Attendance

Here at Bunwell, as with all other schools, we aim for **96%** attendance. Here are the attendance figures for each class for last two weeks. **Well done Hedgehogs!**

Ladybirds	Hedgehogs	Badgers	Foxes
93%	98%	94%	94%

Safeguarding at Bunwell

At Bunwell all staff have a responsibility to safeguard children. If you ever have a concern about a child or a member of staff then please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads: Mr Tuckett, Miss Husbands or Miss McMeekin. You can also ring the number 0344 800 8020 if you have a concern about a child outside school.

Online Safety

As a school we are receiving increasing reports of children using games, apps and platforms which are completely inappropriate. Some with certificates of 16 years or over. These are highly inappropriate for primary school aged children. You may also be aware of the increase of social media/ online gaming related incidents also being reported in the news. We advise that children do not have access to such games or social media platforms.

This website <https://parentzone.org.uk/advice/parent-guides> has lots of helpful information about popular online games. If you do have concerns about your child's online activity, we are happy to help.

Headteacher News

On Tuesday and Wednesday this week we celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight by cooking some Fairtrade recipes and raising money for the Fairtrade Foundation through our café after school on Wednesday.

For two weeks each year, thousands of individuals, companies and groups across the UK come together to celebrate the people who grow our food, people who live in some of the poorest countries in the world and who are often exploited and badly paid. Fairtrade products can find their way into every part of our home and our meals. There are over 4,500 Fairtrade products from tea and coffee, to flowers and gold, herbs and spices and beauty products.

This year the focus of Fairtrade Fortnight is on the people – in particular the women – who grow the cocoa in the chocolate we love so much.

Life has become increasingly difficult for farmers of cocoa as they have seen prices fall to crisis levels in the last few years. Disease and age are damaging cocoa trees and less young people are becoming cocoa farmers because of the poor prospects. Supporting Fairtrade products helps to make cocoa farming more sustainable by guaranteeing prices and providing investment to local communities meaning farmers can provide a better future for themselves and their families. This drop in price means that it is important to raise awareness about choosing Fairtrade products and the changes this can bring to farmers in many places but particularly West Africa when we're talking about cocoa.

Think about your favourite chocolate bar. Did you know there are six million people around the world who depend on growing cocoa for their livelihoods? Fairtrade chocolate accounts for 12% of the total sales in the UK and in 2017 the Co-op became the first retailer to use only Fairtrade cocoa in **all** their products. Next time you buy a bar of chocolate, have a look to see if it has the Fairtrade symbol.

Bunwell PTA

The PTA are always looking for new members. The children would miss out on many fantastic opportunities were it not for the tireless work of our fabulous PTA. If you wish to get involved, please contact one of the PTA members.

If we do not have more parents and carers volunteer to be on the PTA it is at risk of folding.

Dates for your Diary



Thursday 7th March – World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character

Wednesday 13th March - Parents' Evening 2pm – 7pm

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief (we have decided not to mark this in school due to lots of other events)

Friday 22nd & 29th March – Y5 Cycling

Thursday 28th March – Foxes' class assembly – parents welcome

Tuesday 2nd April - Y5 PE transition event @ OBHS

Wednesday 3rd April – RockSteady Concert – parents welcome

Friday 5th April - dress down day for the PTA – please bring £1

Friday 5th April – school closes for Easter holiday

Tuesday 23rd April – school reopens

Monday 20th – Friday 24th May – Walk to School week

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th June – Cycle to School week

More dates to follow

Have a great weekend!

Miss E. Husbands