



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.

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Ladybirds: This week we have been welcoming lots of children back into class for the mornings. It has been fantastic to see the children and have the classroom busy again. We have been focussing on settling back in, sharing, playing nicely and phonics. The children continuing home learning are learning about capacity and volume in Maths and sentence writing in Literacy.

Badgers: Badgers are still working hard at home. We have been looking further at our geography skills and learning through the National Geographic website. I have been happy to see some of the children return to school! Keep sending in the photos of the work you have been doing! It really helps us to see what you are doing at home and we can celebrate it with team points!

Hedgehogs: It has been lovely to welcome some of the Year 1s back this week, although it still seems very quiet without all of our Hedgehogs. At school and at home we have been busy writing pirate poems and continuing our White Rose Hub maths. In topic we have continued to find out about pirates. Ms McCauley brought a pirate ship into class and we have been learning about the different parts of the ship.

Foxes: The Year Six children who have been in school this week have been amazing! I am so delighted to be back with (some of) my class! We have had a productive and fun week - mornings have been taken up with maths and English as well as some Zumba with Mrs. Roden. We are continuing to revise fractions, decimals and percentages in maths and in English, have started our new book, 'Wild Boy'. We have spent a lot of time outside in the afternoons, for P.E.

Y6 Egg Drop



For our science challenge afternoon: this week the children were asked to design protection for an egg so it could be dropped from a height of 2m without breaking. Several of the designs worked but we did have one that protected its cargo from an even higher drop - well done Finley!

Welcoming back Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

On Monday, we welcomed more children back to school. The children have been fantastic this week and have taken the changes in their stride. Despite there being changes to routines, their classrooms and resources they can use, the children have just got on with things and have enjoyed being back at school. Thank you to the parents and carers who have also respected the new routines and arrangements. It is testament to the hard work of the staff team to ensure that so many children have been able to return this week, it has been reported that as few as 2 in 5 schools have reopened this week.

We still don't have any further information about if or when additional year groups will return or how this will look day to day. We would love to see more children back, but we must follow government guidance. As soon as we know more, we will share this with families.

Uniform

Even though September seems a long way off at the moment, uniform is available to order from M&S. They are offering 20% off purchases between July 2nd and 30th September.

Uniform guidelines are available on the school website.

Safeguarding at Bunwell

During the lockdown, unfortunately there will be some children who are a greater risk of being unsafe. This campaign calls on communities to look out for children and young people during the current coronavirus lockdown. Entitled See Something, Hear Something, Say Something, the campaign focuses on keeping children safe, as families face the pressure of staying at home for this prolonged period. You can ring 0344 800 8020. We all have the responsibility to keep our children safe. You can also contact one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads, Mr Tuckett, Miss Husbands or Mrs Brookes, for advice and support. Bunwell Primary School is registered with Operation Encompass. This means that Norfolk Police will contact the school concerning any domestic incidents which involve the families of our children the day after the incident occurred.

Headteacher News

When schools closed to most children back in March, it was early spring. Over the last ten weeks, spring has well and truly sprung and we have slipped into early summer. As we move into the second half of the summer term we would usually be gearing up for sports day, transition days for new children starting Reception, Y6 going to high school and children moving classes, end of term productions and Y6 leaver's assembly to name a few. This year these events may not happen or have a different feel to them. We will work hard to make sure that all the children are as well prepared as possible for the next stage of their school life; be it at Bunwell or beyond.

The plans we put together to welcome some children back on June 1st have gone smoothly and while we will continue to review them, we will begin to think about how we can welcome more children back safely as well as how the new academic year looks in September. Although we will be directed by guidance from the government yet to be released, there are already conversations going on between staff, governors and the Trust about different arrangements and measures which could be used.

I am very aware that the children who have returned to school have been enjoying themselves (something I am very pleased about), but how could it impact the children still learning at home. For some families it may be particularly difficult as they navigate one child returning to school and others still at home. The children who are still at home might not understand why their year group is not allowed to return to school when others are. As adults this is a difficult question to answer, but it's important we reassure the children that we're taking small steps in returning to school to make sure that it's safe and welcoming back children gradually is the best way to do this. We are still setting work for those children learning at home in whichever year group and still want to see photos and messages about what they are doing at home.

At the end of another new week, we have again adapted to a new way of working and new routines. This will be the new normal for some time to come. We will continue to share plans, ask for your feedback and work as a community.

Pupil Update

Before I came back to school, I was really nervous about what all the changes would be. I wondered whether I could still play with my friends on the playground.

But when I got to school everything was fine. In Year 6, we have to be two metres away from each other but that feels normal now. There are some benefits of having to stay in our Y6 bubble. We have the whole playground to ourselves and have been allowed to bring our scooters and bikes in, which is brilliant, and we also get to eat outside. We have done some experiments outside and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, we get the treat of doing Zumba on the field with Mrs Roden.

It's been really nice to see my friends and catch up with what we have been doing and we are getting more people coming in as the days go by. I'm really glad I came back as it's really fun, even if we have to wash our hands a lot!

Abbie Fletcher, Y6

Lockdown Photos

Here is a selection of the photos we've received this week, please keep them coming.



Have a great weekend at home!

Miss E. Husbands