

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 continued our Once Upon a Time topic by learning about the story of Cinderella. We have retold the story using pictures and designed our own glass slippers. In maths we have been working on counting an amount of objects accurately and representing numbers to 20 in different ways.

Hedgehogs: This week we have begun our new history topic about castles. In English we have continued our work on information books and have been learning how to use a contents and index page to find information. In maths Year 1 have been use base 10 resources to make and compare 2 2-digit numbers. In Year 2 we have been learning about fractions.

Badgers: Badgers have enjoyed coming back to school and have begun new topics across all subjects. We are learning about North America this term and the children have already been sharing their knowledge and experiences. In science we are learning about animals and their habitats. The children have enjoyed sorting animals and learning about the life processes of all living things.

Foxes: Foxes have made a flying start to the new term and are enjoying their English text: Beowulf, as well as their class reader: Holes. They are revisiting fractions in maths and have started their new science topic: Forces. The children were amazed to discover that two objects of identical size and shape but very different weight will hit the floor at the same time when dropped from a height!

Uniform

Now that we are in the summer term, children are welcome to wear their blue summer dresses if they would like to. Our uniform guidelines are available on the website <https://bunwell.cee.coop/uniform/>
Please also ensure that your children have the correct PE kit including suitable footwear for outside PE lessons.

Before and After School Club

In September, we started to run a breakfast and after school club. Breakfast club starts at 7:45am and children are served toast, cereal or fruit. After school club runs until 5:30pm and there is a choice of sandwiches, fruit and vegetables for tea. Sessions cost £5 for breakfast club and £8 for after school club. Please book your sessions via Wisepay under the 'School Clubs' section.

Attendance

Here at Bunwell, as with all other schools, we aim for 96% attendance. Since we returned after lockdown, the whole school attendance is 98%. Well done Ladybirds and Hedgehogs with 99% attendance! It has been lovely to see the children return to school following the Easter holidays.

Ladybirds	Hedgehogs	Badgers	Foxes
99%	99%	98%	96%

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 Mrs Brookes. You can also ring the number 0344 800 8020 if you have a concern about a child outside school.

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.

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Parish Magazine

Well done to Eden and Ella who have won a book voucher for their Easter drawings which have featured in the local Parish magazine.

E-Safety tip



Achievements

Well done to all of the children who have worked extra especially hard this week! Keep up the good work.

Bunwell Birthdays



Happy birthday to Jacob, Joe, Mason, Freja, Elodie, Charlotte K, Faith and Lula who have all celebrated their birthdays recently.

Headteacher News

A week ago, Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh died at the aged of 99 years old. It was reported when he retired in 2017 that he had undertaken over twenty-two thousand engagements and supported many different charities. One of his lasting legacies will be the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. It is said that his headmaster inspired the scheme which can be traced back to 1956.

Millions of teenagers have taken part in the award, myself included, which involves a set of challenges for young people; to help their community and environment, become fitter, develop new skills and complete an independent outdoor expedition. I am sure that there are members of our school community who have also completed different levels of the award and there may even be some older siblings who are currently taking part.

The award focuses on the local community and encouraging those taking part to get involved in their communities to make a difference and try new experiences as well as learning important life skills in a safe environment. The Duke of Edinburgh Award is aimed at teenagers, but as a primary school it is important that we try to give children new experiences and challenges. Over the last year, these have not been possible. I really hope that as restrictions begin to lift, we can incorporate more of these experiences into life at Bunwell.

We hope that we will be able to use the Day Legacy bequest to enrich the children's school experience. This money was left to us as Mr Day looked back on his school days fondly and want to use the money so that our children look back on their school days with the same fondness.

Trust Update

It has been lovely to welcome children back this week for what will be an exciting and hopefully less interrupted term in school. As the weather gets warmer and the restrictions are cautiously eased, I'm sure we are all looking forward to getting back to something resembling normality. It is important to ensure we are doing our bit by following the rules and restrictions in order to keep our school and communities safe and I'd like to say thank you to all parents/families for your cooperation and support of the processes the school has put in place.

Governors have continued with virtual meetings and met just before Easter to discuss plans for the summer term and beyond. We welcomed a new governor to the committee, Stephen Wilkinson, who joins as a community governor. Stephen brings a wealth of experience from both the health sector and higher education and will be a great addition to the team. I hope Stephen enjoys his time with us and I look forward to working together.

As we have welcomed several new governors recently, our focus this term is on training to ensure they have the knowledge and tools to fulfil their role. The training will cover the core strategic aspects of a governor's role which are: overseeing school improvement priorities, monitoring educational progress and ensuring good financial practices. We are hopeful that by the end of the term we will be able to undertake school visits again as this is a key part of the governor role and, from my perspective, seeing the school in action is one of the most rewarding aspects of giving up my time to be part of the governing body.

We do still have a vacancy for one more governor from the local community, which is someone who is not a parent or carer and may not currently have a link with the school. I would appreciate it if you could share the [role details](#) with anyone who may be interested or contact me at jfletcher@cee.coop. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary



Monday 3rd May - Spring bank holiday – school closed

Wednesday 12th May – whole school photos

w/b Monday 17th May – Walk to School week

w/b Monday 31st May – half term

Have a great weekend!

Miss E. Husbands