



# Final Bunwell in Brief

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As we move towards the end of another school year, it gives us the opportunity to look back on what we have achieved during a busy and successful year. I would like to give my thanks for your continued support; it has been wonderful to receive so many positive comments from parents, carers and the wider community during the year.

## Forest Schools



In an addition to the curriculum this year, Reception and KS1 have spent Friday mornings outside building dens, rope swings and planting 400 trees! Next year Mrs Brookes is looking forward to building fires and beginning to cook out on the field.

## Rock Steady



Another addition to Bunwell has been Rock Steady. Over a quarter of the school are budding rock stars and the termly concerts show how much progress they are making. The children thoroughly enjoy their weekly lessons and the concerts are a chance for them to share what they've learnt.

## Play Equipment



Back in September Pentagon Play installed our fabulous new play equipment. The children love using it at playtimes and it is great for lunchtimes and it is great for building their upper body strength and improves their spatial awareness, as well as core strength which in turn leads to improved posture and concentration.

Thanks to the PTA for funding our trips, we have been able to give the children a variety of experiences and days out. We hope to be able to continue to fund such trips through the PTA. They work very hard to put on fundraising events such as St Nick's as well as their regular Friday cake raffle, dress down days and summer ice cream sales.

In the New Year, they will, as always be looking for new members and, this year, a new treasurer to take over from Mrs Binks. Mrs Binks will be greatly missed by the PTA; I would like to thank her for everything she has done in all the different roles she has had with the PTA.



In November the whole school went to see shows at the theatre – Awful Auntie for KS and The Snail and the whale for Reception and KS1.

Throughout the year we have also visited Banham Zoo, Gressenhall, Strangers Hall, Redgrave and Lopham Fen and Y6 went to Crucial Crew.

In October Y5 and Y6 spent two nights away at Brancaster, where they experienced sailing, crabbing and lots of mud!



# 2018-19 Results

Reception ELG	GLD 2019
Bunwell	70%

Phonics Screening	2019
Bunwell Y1	72%

KS2 at the expected standard	
Reading	55%
Writing	64%
Maths	64%
Reading, Writing & Maths	55%
SPAG	45%
Science	73%

KS1 at the expected standard	
Reading	63%
Writing	63%
Maths	50%
Science	75%

We are hugely proud of the children who are a real credit to our school and to their families. Our end of key stage data shows a positive picture again this year and reflects the hard work of the children and staff.

## 2018-19 Attendance

Ladybirds  
95%  
attendance

Hedgehogs  
96%  
attendance

Badgers  
97%  
attendance

Foxes  
97%  
attendance

### Pirates of the Curry Bean

A huge well done to KS2 for their production of Pirates of the Curry Bean. Our Trust CEO, Jenny Gill, had this to say after seeing one of the performances, "I would like to pass on my biggest congratulations on your performance yesterday. To the teachers you have produced an outstanding performance with a fabulous set. To the children you were all fantastic. Your timing and delivery were spot on and you made the script come alive. I feel very privileged to have seen your performance."

The show was the result of many hours of hard work from the staff in casting, rehearsing, choreographing dances, designing and making the set and props as well as the children in learning their lines and rehearsing and from the parents and families in supplying costumes and helping children learn their lines. I hope you all enjoyed the show as much as we did.

### Summer Holiday Homework

The six-week summer holiday is a long time for children and as a result, many vital skills get rusty and even forgotten. As a result, we would like the children to continue practicing some of the vital skills they will continue to need in September such as reading regularly and learning their times tables. The long summer holiday is also an ideal time to learn a new skill. This could be any new skill such as learning to ride a bike, learning to swim, learning their 4 X table or even learning to tie their shoe laces. If your child does learn a new skill over the summer, please share the photos via ClassDojo.

Good luck to those children moving on to new schools and we look forward to seeing everyone else back at Bunwell on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September**.

