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Buckingham's War Heroes

Buckingham Class is learning about World War II. Some of the children have researched their own families to discover their own family's war heroes.



Here they are proudly sharing their family photographs.



Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

We do not have any Covid-19 cases within the school (as far as we can tell) but there continue to be cases in the village community. We have some children and staff who have needed to self-isolate.

To reduce the risk of the virus entering the school, we are going to ask parents to continue to wear a face covering; drop off and pick up quickly and go straight home; socially distance; only send packed lunches into school that are disposable; explain to your child that they cannot bring any items into school that are not necessary; keep your child off of school if any member of your family has Covid-19 symptoms; keep your child off school if they are unwell and to keep the school updated of suspected Covid cases, illness and absences due to self-isolation. Before or during school, do not give your child any medication containing paracetamol because this could bring down a child's temperature and mask Covid-19 symptoms.

Additionally, we are requesting the following:

Please make sure your child has all they need with them in the morning. This includes water bottles, jumpers, packed lunches and books. Unless it is essential, we are asking you not to deliver late items to the front reception after your child has come into school. The reason for this is that school staff then have to cross over bubbles to deliver the items to the classes, which increases risk. Please could I ask parents not to allow their children to play outside the front of the school at pick-up time. This encourages children from different bubbles to mix with one another. We realise that it can be difficult to wait while the children are coming out of school, but please could you keep your children safely by your side when they are in your care.

We have had some requests for children to attend Buddies Club as a 'one-off'. I'm afraid that we only accept children on a regular basis for the time being so that the group of children is consistent helping us to reduce risk and so keep Buddies open.

Our school is welcoming and nurturing. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any queries or wish to discuss any matter.

Jacky Sykes

Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.

Together we grow happy, responsible and adaptable individuals who are ready to continue their life-journey.



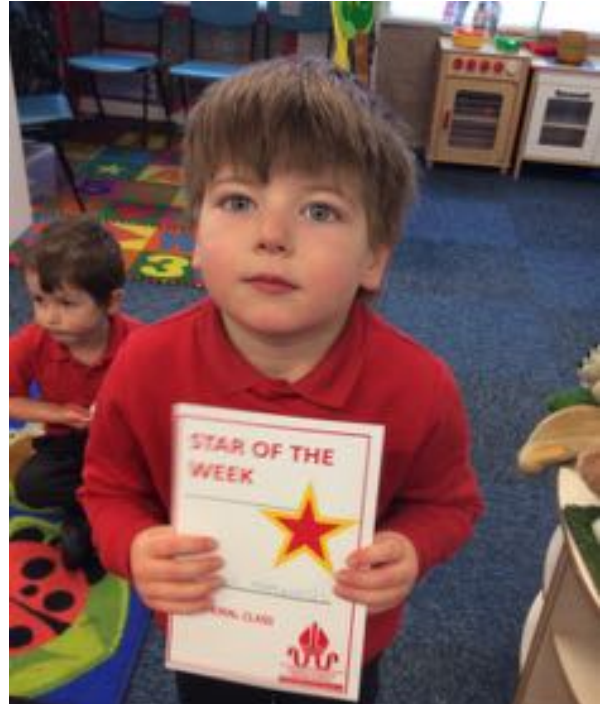
Stars of the Week

Ladybird's Star of the Week is Elise



Maddie says: Elise is our Ladybirds' star of the week! Elise came back to us last half term and she has settled in so well, it's like she has never been away! We are so impressed with her cheery attitude and friendliness. Well done Elise!

Balmoral's Star of the Week is Joseph



Miss Jeacock says: Joseph is an amazing friend. He has supported friends to follow the classroom rules, helped them with their counting and formation of numbers and has even helped children when reading a book. I am very proud of his behaviour and support for his friends.

Sandringham's Star of the Week is Tia



Mrs. Collen says: Tia wrote her own brilliant version of The Gruffalo. Tia was so focused, knew what she wanted to write and how to make the story her own - a true author in the making. Well done, Tia!

Kensington's Star of the Week is Eden



Mrs. Russell says: Eden is Star of the Week for having increased confidence in independent learning and being a fantastic role model for good manners.

Windsor's Star of the Week is Ruby



Mrs. Daly and Miss Aston say: Ruby is an all-round superstar because she works hard in every lesson. Well done Ruby.

Holyrood's Star of the Week is Tilly



Mr Purewal says: Tilly deserves star of the week because she is such an amazing helper, who always puts others before herself. She has a kind heart and is a fantastic role model.



Buckingham's Star of the Week is Scarlett



Mrs. Hobbins and Mrs. Brindley say: Scarlett for a positive attitude, growing independence, great maths work & improved handwriting. Well done, Scarlett.

Chicken pox in school



We have a confirmed case of chicken pox in school. Although we are operating within bubbles, we know from experience that this virus does spread very easily. If your child is vulnerable and we haven't already spoken to you, then please ring Mrs. Shippey in the office.

Chicken pox is a red spotty rash (which often appears as small blisters) mainly on the body but can be all over.

Can you please report any cases to the school straight away and keep your child off of school until all spots have scabbed over. Thank you.

Chickenpox is an acute, infectious disease and is most commonly seen in children under 10 years old. This virus can also cause shingles, which tends to be more common in adults. The disease can be more serious in adults, particularly pregnant women. If you have concerns, please take medical advice.

Charlotte's Marvellous Battle Cry!

Windsor and Holyrood are learning about the Romans in their topic this term. This is the speech that Charlotte has written in the character of Boudicca. This is the most amazing writing for a child in Windsor Class. We are very proud of your Charlotte!

Wednesday 18th November 2020

Boudicca's Speech

I, Queen Boudicca of the Iceni Tribe will lead you today to ~~rip~~ rip out those Romans' hearts and win the battle we can not lose this all mighty battle today. They might be strong but we are stronger. We are all mighty and they aren't. Do it for your children. Do it for your family. You may die and I but we are stronger than them. We will rip out those stupid ~~souls~~ ^{souls} of them and they won't have a chance to rip out our strong ~~souls~~ ^{souls}. We will burn down ~~the~~ most important towns. And then we will do ~~the~~ best bashing around to them. Do you want to pay taxes to those bullies? This will be the best fight ever if we win. This will be ~~our~~ victory. We will win this battle and I will lead the Iceni Tribe. Do you want to fight those Rotten Romans? We are fierce! They will ~~to~~ not stand a chance of winning this battle. Do you want to be left alone? Do you want your freedom? Why would you not want to join this army and kill those Rotten Romans. This might be your last day of your life but we want to win this battle. ~~Look~~ ^{Look} if you get stabbed just look into ~~there~~ eyes and laugh. So come on and join the army. ~~ES~~ let's go. Charge!"

What's Cooking?

educaterers A FOOD STORY Lunch Menus



New School Caterer from Monday 30th November

Educaterers have over 60 years' experience in the education sector and their mission is to provide delicious, healthy nutritious food to everyone they serve. They were recently awarded the Lead Association for Catering in Education 'Business of the Year' Award which recognises organisations that make an outstanding contribution to schools in their area and who continue to make a real difference to education catering. Further information about Educaterers can be found on their website www.educaterers.co.uk

Educaterers will focus on working with Bishop's Itchington Primary School to provide healthy and nutritious food that children want to eat, and they use their 'Nutrigang' to raise pupil awareness of not only food & nutrition but also sustainability and ecology.

The new service starts with the Week 1 Menu commencing Monday 30th November

Daily - Seasonal Vegetables, Salads, and Homemade Fresh Bread are offered with each main meal and Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt are available as additional dessert options. Unlimited water flavoured with fresh fruit is available every lunchtime.

If you pay for school lunches

When we have moved to Educaterers, all lunches will be paid for in advance using ParentPay and not DinnerPay. If any parent does not have access to ParentPay, please contact Claudia Potter in the school office on Potter.C@stowevalley.com.

Infant meals and Free School Meals

If your child is eligible for the Government-funded free school meals, available for all children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and those with Free School Meals status, then you do not need to access ParentPay.

How will you choose your child's meal?

Menus will be available for parents to view on the Educaterers website. However, children will be ordering their own meals each morning in school, at 9am in their classroom, so you do not need to pre-order and select meals any longer.

Special dietary requirements will of course be catered for. This is the menu for Monday 30th November.



Educaterers Lunch Menu Wk 1 - week 30/11 - 6/01/21. 2501, 2202, 15/03, 13/04, 10/05, 7/06, 28/06, 19/07.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 Pork Sausages (G,V) (V) Cheese Sals Chilli Noodles (G,V)	 BBQ Chicken Pitas (G,V) (V) Lambos Chilli (G,V)	 Beef Pasty or Gnocchi (V) Vegetarian Tost in the Pot (G,V,E)	 Pasta Bolognese (G) / Chicken Chilli (G,V) (V) Chicken Chilli and Pasta Pie (G,V)	 Chicken Bolognese (G,V,M) (V) Pasta Meatballs (G,V)

Every day choose from:

 (V) Jacket Potatoes with Cheese (G,V) GF	 (V) Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (G,V) GF	 (V) Jacket Potatoes with Cheese and Beans (G,V) GF
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Week 1 Dessert Menu

Every day we offer:
 (V) The Valley organic yoghurt (G) or fresh fruit as alternative dessert options.

Monday
 (G) Strawberry Sals Pudding (G)
 (G) Cheesecake, Crackers and Apple Mince (G,V)

Tuesday
 (V,H) Homemade Hot Chocolate Sponge (G,E)

Wednesday
 (V,H) Apple Pie (G) with Custard (G)
 (V) Cream Tubs (G)

Thursday
 (G) Chocolate Mousse with Fruit in Jello (G)
 (G) Homemade Cheese Cakes (G)

Friday
 (G) Homemade Sticky Ginger Cake (G,E)

All our meals include a carbohydrate accompaniment, seasonal vegetables and/or salad. We offer a choice of fruit, prior to school, or after school, and water to drink.

Allergen awareness may vary in these photos in the photographs.

Key
 G = Gluten
 V = Vegetarian
 D = Dairy
 M = Meat/Fish
 E = Eggs
 GF = Gluten Free
 F = Fish
 H = Hummus
 SB = Soy
 N = Nut Allergy

Visit Educaterers' website for full menu details: www.educaterers.co.uk. Ruth Shippey in the office will also email these to you.

Community Support from local businesses!

CHRISTMAS ADVENT WINDOWS 🌲 🏠

Would you like to do a window to complete our village Christmas advent windows?

You can be as creative or traditional as you wish, all we ask if that you light a decorated window (that's visible from the road) on your given advent day and every night after leading up until 24th December i.e. If you are given 5th December, you would first light up your decorated window on 5th December and then every night ending on the 24th.

We hope to have enough people wanting to take part that we can have 2 or maybe even 3 windows for each day.

If you would like to take part, please email Melissa Vaughan-Smith melissavaughanot@gmail.com with your name, address and a contact email address. We will be publishing a list of the houses and dates closer to 1st December so please be advised that your address will be in this list (your names will not be included)

PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL NOW IF YOU WISH TO TAKE PART

Once we have everyone's details, we will allocate a day and be in touch with more information. Let's make this a wonderful activity to take part in or simply walk around the village to see! Look out for more posts regarding our fundraising element to this event!

Please ask any questions you have via email to Melissa.

FoBIPS are delighted to have been selected as one of the four beneficiaries from this village activity.



The Butchers Arms are holding their weekly meat raffle on their Facebook page again on Friday 20th November. Funds are being shared between FoBIPS and Annie's Angels.

To buy a raffle ticket, please contact The Butchers Arms via their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/thebutchersarmsbishops>

We are extremely grateful to Brian & Selena Ogden for their support and to Eleanor for her help organising the raffle.

The Garden Pantry are offering a donation of £2.50 to FoBIPS per Christmas Tree sold in the village. If you would like to take up this offer please make contact with The Garden Pantry via their Facebook page and quote: **FOBIPS**

<https://www.facebook.com/The-Garden-Pantry-101163121602875>

What a wonderful village community we have.

CHRISTMAS TREES AVAILABLE

WIN YOUR TREE
Reserve a tree for a £10 deposit to be in with a chance of winning it for FREE

Nordmann Fir is a low drop, traditional Christmas tree.

Pre order now with a £10 deposit.
Available from 28th November.

5ft tree - £30
6ft tree - £40
7ft tree - £50
*Trees may vary slightly

THE GARDEN PANTRY
SOUTHERN

Greg's Eggs
Lower Fox Farm
Bascote
CV47 2DN

FoBIPS News continued

Festive Bake Sale

On Friday 4th December FoBIPS will be holding a Festive Bake Sale to continue to raise funds for school.

Festive cupcakes and biscuits will be on sale at morning break from the outside shelter and classes will visit in their class bubbles.

All cakes will be priced at £1, if you would like your child to enjoy a festive treat on this occasion, please send them with £1 in an envelope labelled with their name.

FoBIPS - Christmas Adventure

A fun family event where you can compete against other family groups in this festive Escape Room experience.

Connect and have fun with 7 other households (online) and get into the festive spirit.

Pre-booking is essential and full details will be released next week

Parent guide to Covid-19

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms (dry, persistent cough, and/or temperature, and/or loss of smell/taste).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school and inform school. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. - Get a test - Inform the school immediately with result. 	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us immediately on 07801 506042. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, AND the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact school to inform us. 	...the test comes back negative.
...my child has a chesty cough and/or a cold.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These are not Covid-19 symptoms so you child can come to school if they feel well enough. - Contact school to inform us. 	...when your child feels well enough.
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. - Household member to get a test. - Inform school immediately about test result. 	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Whole household to self-isolate for 14 days. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member as having contact with somebody with Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. - Child can continue to attend school unless a member of the household develops symptoms. 	...child can continue to attend school.
... a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. - Bishop's Itchington Primary child(ren) can continue to attend unless they develop symptoms. 	...child can continue to attend school
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child must not come to school. - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. - Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
... I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and all members of the household must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.