Bure Park Primary School Newsletter

6th November 2026

Welcome back to school and I hope you all had a lovely half term break. This term is very busy, with the Buddies Christmas Fayre, Christmas productions, science and history workshops, Christmas Dinner and a Santa run in the last week of term. Please see the end of the newsletter for dates and times of these events.

Next week Year 1 and Year 4 are sharing - please note Year 1 will be sharing on Thursday. We also have Children in Need day on Friday. The school council has asked for everyone to wear mufti for the day and bring in a board game to play in the afternoon. In the afternoon we will also have a BP Got Talent competition and we are looking forward to seeing the many talents children have in the school. Well done to all the children who sent in videos. Donations for Children In Need can be made using this link:

https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/default

As the weather has suddenly turned colder, please can you ensure your child comes to school in appropriate warm clothing - including a suitable coat - as we are enjoying using our outside areas as much as possible! Many thanks.

As a school we are working hard to improve attendance, but we appreciate at this time of year there are more bugs out there! Please use the following guidance about whether your child is well enough for school.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6a5f8d3534dfb74772f96c86/UKHSA_13718_Should_I_keep_my_child_off_school_A3_guidance_poster_01_WEB.pdf

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Sarah Moon

Head Teacher

Focus on Year 2

This week we have been completing our PIXL assessments and the children should be very proud of how they approached them.

In DT we have been learning about healthy food and balanced diets. The children know that all food is good for us in moderation, unless we have allergies or intolerances.

On Wednesday, the children practised the skills needed to prepare different foods e.g. chopping, scooping, grating etc. Perhaps they will be keen to help you at home!

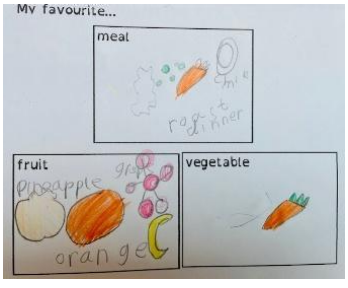






Next week, the children will be designing, preparing, tasting and evaluating a healthy, balanced wrap.

Below are some of examples of what we have done so far as part of this topic, including sorting foods, thinking about our favourite foods and trying to create a healthy, balanced menu.









Focus on Nursery

It has been an incredibly busy and exciting week in Nursery!

The children have been learning all about Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights. They enjoyed creating beautiful diya lamps and designing bright, colourful Rangoli patterns.

We have also been learning about Bonfire Night! The children had lots of fun creating their own spectacular firework pictures using vibrant neon paints and, of course, plenty of glitter to make them sparkle! The excitement even continued outdoors, where the children took their learning into the garden and used autumn leaves to create their very own explosive firework displays in the air! They loved throwing the leaves high into the sky and watching them burst and flutter back down like colourful fireworks!







Makaton Sign of the Week

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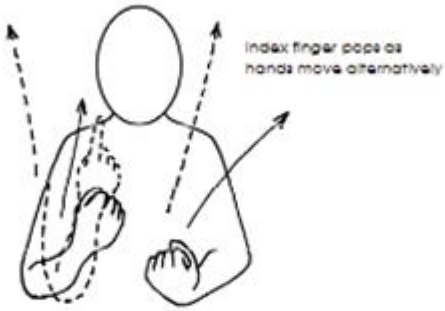
2nd – 8th November 2026

This week's sign is '**Fireworks**'!

Join in with our Sign of the Week. Make and share your own video using the hashtag #WeTalkMakaton.



Fireworks



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We have provided you with these signs and/ or symbols free of charge. With your help The Makaton Charity can help more people communicate, please donate online at makaton.org/donate

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Buddies News

The Christmas Fayre is only four weeks away!

If you are a small business owner and would like to hire a stall at the fayre, please email bureparkpta@gmail.com.

Tickets for the Lone Wolf comedy night in March are now on sale. They are £15 each. The last one was a sell-out so get in early and book yours here: https://lonewolfcomedy.co.uk/show/https-wegottickets-com-f-31122/

We're also still interested in anyone who has connections in the shed or portable air con unit industries - we'd love to get quotes for both to see whether or not we could help fund them for the school. So do get in touch on the email above if you can help.

Here's a few other dates for your diary:

- Buddies meeting at Bure Farm pub: Monday, 9th November, 8pm
- Mufti day for chocolate: Friday 27th November
- Mufti day for bottles: Friday 4th December
- Christmas fayre: Saturday, 5th December - 11am to 2pm
- Comedy night: Friday, 5th March, 2027
- Circus: Wednesday, 19th May 2027



SCHOOL HALL HIRE FOR CHILDRENS PARTIES

Are you looking for a venue to hold your child's birthday party? Did you know that we hire out our school hall?

You can hire the school hall, kitchen, community hall, toilets & car park for £25 per hour.

If you are looking to hold an outside party you can hire the field, toilets and car park for £10 an hour.

Please note we only hire the hall out during term time.

If you would like further details please come and speak to us in the School office.



Attendance Figures (%) Monday 2nd to Friday 6th November

Our **school expectation for attendance each week is 96%** to support the children's education, routine building and developing relationships.

Well done to classes Reception B, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8 this week who have met or exceeded this expectation. Well done to Class 4 who achieved 100% attendance.

Nursery	89.02
Reception A	95.24
Reception B	96.55
Class 1	92.06
Class 2	97.34
Class 3	98.1
Class 4	100
Class 5	97.45
Class 6	95.07
Class 7	92.86
Class 8	97.44
Class 9	91.43
Class 10	88.24
Class 11	93.88
Class 12	95.57
School Total	**95.35**

Main School

- 8:35am – doors open
- 8:40am – learning Starts
- 3:15pm – learning ends and doors open
- 4:00pm – teacher led after school clubs' end

Reception

- 8:40am – doors open
- 8:45am – learning starts
- 3:05pm – Learning ends and doors open

Nursery

- 8:30am – doors open for AM nursery/8:50am for all day nursery
- 11.30am – AM nursery ends

- 3pm – PM nursery ends
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Please note that anyone collecting your child must be aged 16 or over

Weekly Awards

Hot Chocolate Friday with the Head

Children who have displayed exemplary attitudes to learning and behaviour are invited to have a hot chocolate with Head on a Friday. This week's attendees were:

- Reception: Bavishya and Ruby
- Year 1: Melisa and Miles
- Year 2: Billy and Rory
- Year 3: Aaryan and Freddie
- Year 4: Charlotte and Bertie
- Year 5: Joanna and Florence
- Year 6: Eric and Imogen

Well Done to all!

Reading

Children who have read three times a week are entered into a reading raffle, where they can choose a book from the vending machine.

- Reception: Safia
- Key Stage 1: Maisie
- Lower Key Stage 2: Ronnie
- Upper Key Stage 2: Eric

Keep Reading!

Times Tables Rockstars Winners

This week's winners were the children who currently have the fastest studio speed:

Year 6 - 1st Faye / 2nd Gersi / 3rd Arni

Year 5 - 1st David F / 2nd Florence / 3rd Luca W
Year 4 - 1st Thomas / 2nd Harry A /3rd Harriet
Year 3 - 1st Juan /2nd Ralph /3rd Ollie C

It is fantastic to see Year 2 beginning to use TTRS more too! Well done to the following children who have shown the biggest improvement in accuracy over the last 7 days:

Year 2 - 1st Finley G /2nd Lexi /3rd Viktor

Dates for the Diary

11th November - 2.30pm Y4 Sharing Assembly

12th November - 2.30pm Y1 Sharing Assembly

13th November - Children in Need, MUFTI Day

16th November - Early Years Open Evening for September 2027 - 4pm

- Odd Socks day for Anti-Bullying Week

18th November - KS2 Cinema Trip

-2.30pm Y2 Sharing Assembly

24th November - Year 5 Ancient Greek Workshop

25th November - Year 4 Atomic Tom

- 2.30pm Y3 Sharing Assembly

2nd December - 2pm KS1 Production

3rd December - 9.30am KS1 Production

5th December - Christmas Fayre

8th December - 9.30am Reception B Nativity

10th December - 9.30am Reception A Nativity

15th December - 10am Nursery Carols and Cake

16th December - Christmas School Dinner

- Christmas Jumper Day

- Santa Fun Run

17th December - Christmas Parties

18th December - Close for Christmas holidays at **2pm**

5th January 2027 - Return to School



KRAZY KIDS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB VACANCY: Play Worker

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday PM 2.45 – 6.15pm

Wednesday 07.15 – 08.45am

Plus ad hoc cover as needed.

TERM TIME ONLY - EXPERIENCE PREFERRED BUT NOT ESSENTIAL

START DATE: Immediate

APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR BY EMAILING KRAZYKIDS@BUREPARKPRIMARY.ORG

Closing date: Friday 23rd October

Interview dates – To be confirmed


PROJECT YOGA OXON
JOIN OUR YOGA COMMUNITY
MOVE. BREATHE. CONNECT.
BEGINNERS WELCOME!
Bure Park School
Mon: 6.45-7.45pm
Thurs: 7.30-8.30pm
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Improve strength and flexibility, reduce stress and calm that active mind!
Call Sam 07970 410806 / Amanda 07595 772003
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The Mill Arts Centre Presents:

Littlest Yak

About the Event

Please note, this show takes place in Bicester at our pop-up theatre space in Bicester Leisure Centre (Queens Avenue, OX26 2NR) from 21st to 24th December 2026.

This musical adaptation of the award winning children's book by Lu Fraser and Kate Hindley will delight audiences young and old with beautiful puppets, catchy tunes and an uplifting tale of self acceptance for all the family.

Gertie is great at being THE LITTLEST YAK, with the CURLIEST, WHIRLIEST wool and the GRIPPIEST of hooves for clip clopping up cliffs. Only, Gertie doesn't want to be the littlest. She's in a rush to grow up and be just like THE BIG YAKS. But what if there are some things that only a GERTIE can do?

A gorgeous story celebrating YOU being perfect…just the way you are!

LAS theatre brings The Littlest Yak to the stage in spectacular fashion. Join them for a dazzling adventure, into the heart of the Himalayas.

Nominated for a YAKTASTIC 4 Off WestEnd Awards!

Group discount: Tickets only £15 when booking 4 or more!

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Bure Park Primary School
Learning, Caring, Sharing, Growing

FOUNDATION STAGE

OPEN EVENINGS

FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Come and meet the early years team and see our fantastic learning environment

Each session will start promptly with a presentation in the school hall, followed by a tour around the school

Monday 19th October 5pm

Monday 16th November 4pm

To book a place please complete the form on the school website

VISITORS

Are you parked in our car park?

Please note the gates will be closed with restricted access between:

8.30am – 9.15am

2.30pm – 3.30pm

Vehicle movement is restricted



PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE BLIND BEND BY THE SCHOOL AS WE HAVE HAD NEIGHBOURS COMPLAINING