

Think It.

Believe It.

Live It.

**Friday 25th September 2026
Weekly Round-up
Term Times**

Godly Play Club Starts This Monday!

We are delighted to be launching a brand-new after-school club this Monday, Godly Play, led by our wonderful Mrs Draycott. The club will run from 3:15pm to 4:15pm and is open to children who would like to explore Bible stories in a creative, engaging, and reflective way.

Godly Play is a unique approach to learning that brings stories to life through storytelling, discussion, wonder, and imaginative play. Children will have the opportunity to listen to well-known stories from the Bible, explore their meaning, ask thoughtful questions, and respond creatively through art, crafts, and reflection.

This exciting club encourages curiosity, communication, creativity, and confidence, helping children to deepen their understanding of faith and values in a welcoming and inclusive environment. There are no right or wrong answers in Godly Play; children are encouraged to wonder, think, and share their own ideas as they explore each story together.

A few dates for your diaries coming up:

 Census Day – Thursday 1st October

Our special Census Day menu, created by Mrs Stewart and the kitchen team, has now been sent out. Please make sure you place your child's order on Arbor as soon as possible.

Please note that although the meal choices on Arbor will not reflect the Census Day menu, the kitchen and teaching staff will know which meal your child has selected. The options are:

 Red – Hot Dog

 Green – Veggie Hot Dog

 Orange – Southern Fried Chicken Wrap

 Pink – Veggie Wrap

Please be aware that no other meal options will be available on this day.

We would love as many children as possible to enjoy a school meal on Census Day. Every meal ordered contributes towards vital additional funding from the Department for Education, helping us to provide even more opportunities and resources for our pupils. Thank you for your support in making Census Day a success!

Open Evening – Wednesday 14th October

We are delighted to be hosting our Open Evening for prospective Reception parents on Wednesday 14th October.

This is a fantastic opportunity for families considering Buckden Primary Academy for their child's September intake to come and see our wonderful school, meet our staff and learn more about life at BPA.

If you know of any families who may be looking for a school place next year, we would be incredibly grateful if you could help spread the word and encourage them to come along.



Harvest Festival – Monday 5th October

On Monday 5th October, the whole school will be attending our Harvest Festival service at church. This is always a wonderful opportunity for us to come together as a school community and celebrate the season of harvest.

We would also be very grateful for any Harvest donations that families are able to contribute. Donations could include items such as tinned foods, cereal, pasta, rice, long-life milk, tea, coffee, biscuits or other non-perishable food items. All donations will help support members of our wider community and will be greatly appreciated.

To help make the visit possible, we are looking for parent and family volunteers to assist us with walking the children to and from the church. If you have some spare time that morning and would be willing to lend a hand, we would be incredibly grateful. Please contact the school office if you are able to help.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support as we celebrate this special occasion together.

Puzzle Donations Needed

Mrs Schmidt and the SEND Team are looking for donations of complete puzzles suitable for children aged 5-10 years. Puzzles are a fantastic resource for supporting children's concentration, problem-solving skills and independent learning.

If you have any puzzles at home that are no longer being used, we would be very grateful for your support. Please ensure they are complete where possible and bring any donations to the school office.



Buckden Primary Academy

Learn ♥ Grow ♥ Belong



OPEN EVENING

for Prospective Parents

Come and see what makes our school a special place!



Are you looking for a place in

Reception

for your child in September 27/28?



Wednesday 21st October

6:00pm

No booking necessary

♥
Meet our friendly team

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Explore our learning spaces

🌱
Discover our curriculum

👥
Find out about life at our school





Kinusaiga Fabric Art Workshop

Join us for a special Kinusaiga Fabric Art Workshop in support of Albie's Superhero Fundraiser!

Create your own beautiful fabric artwork with expert guidance from Box Clever Crafts. All materials, equipment and step-by-step instruction are provided, so no experience is needed.



Wednesday 14th October, 7pm



The Vine, Buckden



£35 per person (includes all materials and a glass of fizz or soft drink)

Spaces are limited, so book early!



To book, email: rjdg81@hotmail.co.uk



Cambridgeshire
County Council



Launching soon: Best Start Family Hub **Huntingdon**



From Monday 28 September, Cambridgeshire County Council is launching five new Best Start Family Hubs, which will build on the current Child and Family Centre offer.

We would like to invite you to be part of the launch! Come along to the opening of the new Best Start Family Hub in Huntingdon.

No booking required. Drop in to meet the team, learn about all the support available and enjoy fun activities with your children. You'll find refreshments, information stands and free resources.

Also, we'd love to hear from you about our services and the support you need.

Everyone welcome.

We look forward to seeing you soon at a new Family Hub!



Where and when

- ★ Thursday 1 October
- ★ 10.00am - 2.00pm
- ★ Huntingdon Family Hub, Sallowbush Road, Huntingdon, PE29 7AF



Taster activities

- ★ Sensory babies
- ★ More to explore
- ★ Bookstart corner
- ★ Tiny tooth
- ★ Introducing family foods
- ★ Sensory ribbon rings
- ★ Parachute play and singing with Julie
- ★ Playdough making



Slow After-School Activities

- Read a book together
- Listen to an audiobook
- Complete a jigsaw puzzle
- Colouring or mindful colouring sheets
- Draw or paint quietly
- LEGO free-building time
- Sticker books
- Dot-to-dot or maze books
- Simple origami
- Play with playdough

Primary school pupils with 100% attendance are more than twice as likely to achieve the expected standard in their education compared to peers who are persistently absent.

Catch Up on Past Newsletters

Homework

Talk

Linking learning from the classroom to life at home can help to improve language and communication skills. We will continue these discussions in class next week.

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