



Bassingbourn
Community Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

I can't believe that we are approaching the end of the Spring term already. Thank you for your continued support this term as we are working to make rapid changes and improve the provision for all Bassingbourn pupils. Mrs Dalton, our School Improvement Advisor, visited Bassingbourn this week and was pleased with the school progress in such a short time. It has also been so heartwarming to hear parental feedback with how positive it has been in school. I am confident that we are moving in the right direction and am excited to continue that journey with you.

As you know, Mrs Young (formerly Miss Moore) is leaving school at the end of the term. We are grateful for the contributions Mrs Young has made to our school this year, particularly her flexibility to take on unexpected challenges to support Bassingbourn. I have put a plan in place to support Year 1 in the summer term taking in consideration the impact of the changes on pupils and to provide stability and high-quality provision. Mrs Remington-Davidson, our Assistant Headteacher, and Ms Mills, who is one of our highly experienced and qualified HLTA, will be teaching Year 1 for the summer term. Ms Mills will be leading Year 1 on Mondays and Tuesdays whilst Mrs Remington-Davidson will be in Year 1 on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The class will also have support from an additional TA in school. The team has already started the handover process to ensure a smooth transition at the end of the term.

Thank you to parents and carers for attending the Year 4 production this week. Due to prior commitments, I was unable to attend the event. Mr Fraser shared with me how fantastic the production was and we would like to jointly express our thanks to all of the Year 4 team for organising and supporting our pupils with the production.

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This week's Celebration Award winners are:



Katy, Lulu, Millie, Poppy, Devon, Lola, Skyla, Rella, William, Hamish, Millie



Netball Competition

On Tuesday afternoon we were delighted to host Steeple Morden primary school for a netball tournament. Both schools entered 3 teams and showed some brilliant skill. We are even more pleased to report that all three Bassingbourn teams went unbeaten all afternoon! Thank you to Steeple Morden for coming to our school and taking part, we look forward to any future fixtures!



Attendance

Congratulations to the following classes who achieved greater than 96% target for attendance:

Week Commencing: 11th March

Manatees 96.15%
Octopus 96%
Orcas 96.80%
Penguins 98.57%
Turtles 96.25%

Healthy Eating

Please can we remind parents that children are only permitted to bring in a healthy snack such as fruit for break time, crisps are not allowed.



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5 key points from the Governors meeting

- HT shared budget with Governing Board.
- The governors Ratified a significant number of policies.
- HT reported that the children had enjoyed a successful World Book Day.
- Governors welcomed of two new Parent Governors.
- Governors received an update on the Rapid Improvement Plan and thanked the HT and all staff for their continued hard work to bring about the changes needed.

Year 4 Production: The Aristocats



On Tuesday 19th March, our Year 4 children took part in a spectacular performance of the Aristocats!



The cast and crew excelled at each of their individual roles. This was a huge challenge for many of the children who had never performed on stage before - however you'd never have known!

The children relayed how much they enjoyed participating, and many have said they're excited for any future drama opportunities. Well done to all that were involved and a special thank you to Mr Bryant for his hard work.

Sports Achievements

- **Tag Rugby** - We were very proud of all of the KS2 students who attended the Tag rugby tournament on Thursday. The students gave everything and made us very proud.
- **Dance Competition** - This week Bassingbourn submitted their KS1 and KS2 dance entry into the local South Cambs dance competition. Our entries came from year 2 and year 4. We were very impressed with all the work that has gone into both dances this half term and eagerly await the results!

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

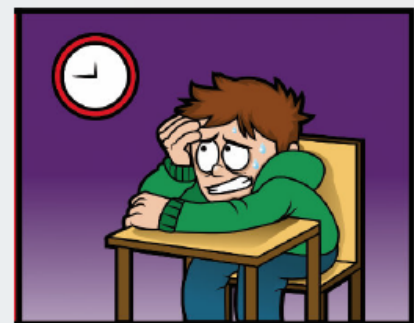
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

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