



Bassingbourn Community Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back to School!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting new term at Bassingbourn. A warm welcome to **Miss Mader** and **Mr Ellimouni**, who have joined our staff team – we're delighted to have them on board!

Dress for the Weather

The forecast is for cold and rainy days ahead, so please ensure children come to school dressed warmly with coats, hats and gloves. **Please label all clothing items clearly** so that we can return any lost property promptly.

Scooter and Skateboarding Workshops

This week, pupils have enjoyed fantastic **scooter and skateboarding workshops** in school – a brilliant enrichment opportunity that encouraged confidence, balance and growth mindset! Thank you to everyone who helped make this possible.

Nut-Free Reminder

A gentle reminder that Bassingbourn is a **nut-free school**. Please check snacks and packed lunches carefully to ensure they do not contain nuts. This helps us keep all pupils safe.

We're looking forward to a fantastic term ahead, full of learning and exciting opportunities!

Ms Luu
Headteacher

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This Week's Celebration Awards



Cassius, Poppy, Hanna, Elsie-Rose, Lucas, Dalton, Noah,
Mya, Logan, George, Henry, Carly, Lucy

This Week's Presentation Awards

Lily, Rory, Edith, Ricky, Archer, Zara, Lara, Ivar, Elliot, Annabelle, Jacob, Olivia, Armisha



ATTENDANCE

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

Week Commencing: 5th January 2026

Hockney: 98.29%

Banksy: 97.62%

Hokusai: 97.62%

Baldessari: 97.25%

Parent Workshops

Thursday 12th Feb, 2:30pm - Being Safe in the Community

Wednesday 18th March, 9am - Education Inclusion Family Advisor Presentation

Tuesday 5th May, 2:30pm - Online Safety

Wednesday 8th July, 9am - Preparing Your Child for Transition



Year 4 News

Year Four – A Fantastic Start to Spring Term One

Year Four have made a wonderful start to Spring Term One. Although the first week back has been short and rather chilly, the children returned full of enthusiasm and excitement – especially when we were treated to a surprise snow flurry!

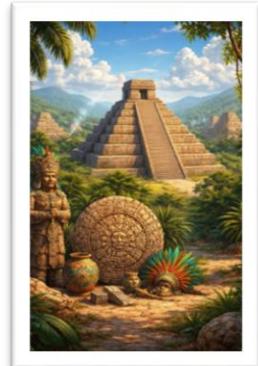
We have begun the term positively by exploring our class artists in greater depth, focusing on the vibrant works of David Hockney and Roy Lichtenstein.

In mathematics, the children have been revisiting their key instant recall facts, concentrating on the 6, 9 and 11 times tables. Much of our work has centred on developing the skills behind multiplication, as we prepare for the upcoming Multiplication Tables Check taking place in June.



In English, we have launched our new writing unit, where the children will be creating a nature journal recount inspired by a fantastic book from *Our Tower* by Joseph Coelho.

Our first History lesson has also sparked great interest, as we will be learning about the Maya civilisation and exploring the impact this ancient society had on history and the wider world. We were particularly wowed by the excellent connections the children made between our Geography rainforest unit from Autumn 2 and the location of the Maya settlements.



Our new science unit began this week with a focus on states of matter – a particularly fitting topic as we will be investigating melting points and boiling points, among other aspects, over the coming weeks.

The highlight of our first week back has undoubtedly been the skateboarding session. The children engaged brilliantly, showing confidence, resilience and enthusiasm throughout.

We are very much looking forward to a fantastic and progressive Spring term ahead.

Best wishes, The Year 4 Team (Hockney and Lichtenstein Classes)

Lunchtime and Afterschool Clubs

| | Lunchtime Clubs | Afterschool Clubs |
|-----------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Monday | | Targeted Kurling Club |
| Tuesday | Art Club Targeted Performance Club | Dance Club |
| Thursday | Choir Club Pokémon Club | Netball Club Running Club |
| Friday | | Athletics Club Archery Club |

Please note that all clubs will start again next week, w/c 12th January 2026.

Thank you for your understanding.

Mr Mikelson

FOBS Update

Happy New Year to you all!

We hope you had a lovely break.

We're delighted to let you know that our General Meeting is in the diary for:
Wednesday 28th January
At school (in person) or via Teams.

We would really love your input as we work towards completing our outdoor gym equipment project, so please do come along if you can.

CLEARING OUT YOUR CLOTHES?

DON'T BIN THEM — DONATE THEM!

We're raising funds and would be grateful for your support. Please bring your old, worn-out, or unwanted items, including:

Clothes

Towels

 Teddies

Drop them into one of our TWO (green) clothing banks by the drop off zone. They are emptied every Wednesday.

Your donations help raise vital funds for important school essentials such as:

 Pens

 Paper

 Ink

 Classroom resources

Thank you, as always, for your continued support — we couldn't do this without you.

Best wishes,

All of the FOBS Team

FOBS

GENERAL MEETING

28TH JANUARY

7:30 - 9PM

**Come along and be
involved in our future
event and fundraising plans.
Your ideas matter!**

*Please join us at School
or pop on Teams*

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