



Bassingbourn
Community Primary School

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10th October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a great way to end the week by dressing up in yellow to support Young Minds as part of World Mental Health Day! Great thanks to our School Council for organising the event and our pupils and staff joining in to raise awareness. Just as we take care of our physical health, it is equally important to maintain good mental health too. We have a dedicated Inclusion team in school with empathy and understanding to support our pupils with mental health concerns. In addition, we can also signpost parents and carers to available external services. If you want more information or would like support, please reach out to the school team and we will be happy to discuss and assist. Our school resources and capacity are limited, but we can often point you in the right direction to seek additional support.

As our curriculum learning is getting underway, you will see more enrichment opportunities across the school. Last week, Year 3 pupils had a brilliant visit to Flag Fen as part of their history topic about the Stone Age, Bronze and Iron Age this term. The children had a great time making pottery, listening to storytelling in the Round House by an open fire just like it was thousands of years ago. Thank you to the staff team and parent volunteers for supporting the trip. It was an eventful school visit both at Flag Fen and on the A14, all part of what makes learning fun and memorable!

The change of seasons has brought the colder weather and more cases of illness upon us. It is important to remind everyone of good hand hygiene to prevent the spread of viral infectious diseases. Please have a talk with your child about the importance of washing their hands throughout the day, especially during transition points such as after going to the toilet, before and after lunch. Let's do what we can to keep our school community healthy!

I wish you all a relaxing weekend. We look forward to seeing prospective Reception 2026 parents and children visiting our Open Evenings next week – Monday 13th 4.30-5.30pm and Wednesday 15th October 5-6pm. Please spread the word to your friends and families who may be looking for a Reception place for their child starting September 2026.

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This Week's Celebration Awards

Fiadh, Leo, Kiara, Sophia, Hugo, Isabelle, Pippa, Sienna, Clarissa, Scarlet, Curtis, Carly, Harry



This Week's Presentation Awards



Henry, Yuvina, Fraser, Noah, Max, Zara, Lulu, Francesca,
Mya, Max, Nischal, Maisie, Jacob

ATTENDANCE

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

Week Commencing: 6th October 2025

Monet 100%
Baldessari 97.94%
Banksy 96.76%

Dates For Your Diary

13th October 2025 @ 4.30pm-5.30pm – Open Day for Reception 2026

15th October 5pm-6pm – Open Day for Reception 2026

24th October – Be Yourself Day (please see the FOBS poster below)

Monday 27th October – 31st October – Half Term

4th November – Parents Consultation Evening

5th November - Parents Consultation Evening

6th November - Parents Consultation Evening



PE ROUNDUP

As a reminder, please find our PE timetable below:

Baldessari	Monday
Banksy	Monday
Cassatt	Monday
Turner	Monday
Matisse	Tuesday
Lichtenstein	Tuesday
Van Gogh	Tuesday
Hepworth	Wednesday
Hokusai	Wednesday
Hockney	Wednesday
Whiteread	Friday
Wiltshire	Friday
Monet	Friday

Mr Mikelson

Year 1 and Year 2 News

We've had a fantastic start to the term and wanted to share some of the exciting learning that's been happening in our classroom.

English

We've been reading *Lost and Found* by Oliver Jeffers, which the children have thoroughly enjoyed. It's led to some lovely discussions about adventures and what we might take with us. We've also been learning to use adjectives to describe different places. The children are now using these skills to write their own imaginative stories about a lost animal.

Maths

This term, our focus has been on addition and subtraction:

- In **Year 1**, we've been exploring different ways to make numbers under 10 using practical methods and games.
- In **Year 2**, we've been learning how to split tens and ones to help add two-digit numbers, even up to 100!

History

We've been comparing childhood today with childhood in the past. The children really enjoyed looking at photos from their teachers' younger years and hearing stories about what school was like in the 1960s. It's been a great way to bring history to life.

Design & Technology (DT)

We had a fun and tasty time making our own fruit salads. The children practiced safe cutting techniques and then evaluated what they liked and didn't like. It was a great hands-on experience.

Science

We've been using our senses to explore the world around us. The children had the chance to taste different foods and feel a variety of textures, helping them understand how we use our senses every day.

We're so proud of how enthusiastic and engaged the children have been, and we're looking forward to many more exciting lessons as the year continues.

The Year 1 and Year 2 Team (Hepworth, Matisse and Van Gough)

FOBS Update

🎃 FOBS Update – Exciting Events Coming Up! 🎃

The FOBS team have been working hard behind the scenes to get ready for our next event - the Pumpkin Patch on Saturday 18th October!

We still have a few tickets available, so if you'd like to join in the fun, please email us at friends_BCPS@outlook.com.

When you get in touch, include your preferred time slot and the number of pumpkin pickers, and we'll send you the payment details to secure your place.

🌈 Another Date for Your Diary – Be Yourself Day!

Join us on Friday 24th October for Be Yourself Day, in exchange for a coloured donation that will be used towards our Christmas Fayre on 28th November 🎄 .

Our children have been busy creating a beautiful design for you to enjoy!

Please check their school bags for the leaflet, which includes all the details on how to place your order.

📁 Class Fundraising Shop

Don't forget — our class fundraising shop will close on 23rd October, so don't miss out!

Thank you so much for your continued support and for joining in — we hope you've loved seeing the children's wonderful efforts.

A special shout-out to Jess for taking on this momentous task! 🗣️

With thanks,

The FOBS Team

The poster is for a 'Pumpkin Patch' event at Bassingbourn Primary School. It features a central light pink circle on a cream background. The circle is surrounded by illustrations of pumpkins with carved faces, autumn leaves, and small orange and yellow dots. The text is arranged within and around this central circle.

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PUMPKIN *Patch*

PLEASE COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE FUN.
BOOK YOUR TICKETS BY EMAILING
FRIENDS_BCPS@OUTLOOK.COM.
PICK & CARVE A PUMPKIN FOR £6.

ARTS & CRAFTS, FANCY DRESS ALL IN ONE DAY.
THE BEST THING, YOU CAN LEAVE THE MESS BEHIND!

18th October 2025

Event open from 11 - 2pm

Pumpkin Picking time slots;

11:15am, 11:45am, 12:15pm, 1 pm

£6 a pumpkin picker

We will have drinks & hot dogs available to buy and games to play
&
Rachael's Bakery's yummy treats to enjoy!



Be Yourself Day!

IDEAS

- Wear temporary glitter tattoos.
- Have crazy hair
- Wear a super hero cape/costume
- Wear something bright & bold
- No need to wear school uniform, wear sports kit or be you for the day.

Be Yourself Day, for a donation of a coloured item.

Each year group has their own colour,
shown on the coloured stars.

Any non-perishable food items welcome
FOBS will use these items for our
SPIN THE WHEEL
game at the
Christmas Fayre -28th November 2025

Year
5 & 6

Year 4

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3