

Bassingbourn Community Primary School Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week, we have continued to see a wonderful focus on learning across the school. Pupils have shown great curiosity and determination in their lessons, and it has been a pleasure to see their enthusiasm for achieving their very best. Thank you for your ongoing support in fostering these positive attitudes at home.

As a reminder, please ensure that children come to school in full, correct uniform each day. Wearing the uniform with pride helps to promote a sense of belonging and high standards across our school community.

We also ask that you remind your children to treat school property with respect. Intentional damage to school equipment or facilities is taken seriously and will result in a parental contribution towards the cost of repair or replacement.

We kindly remind all adults to model appropriate conduct while on the school site. This includes respectful communication with staff and other parents, and ensuring that our school remains a safe and welcoming environment for everyone.

Finally, as we have previously communicated regarding our lockdown procedure, we aim to carry out a practice next week. Please, be reassured that we will support children with understanding the procedure accordingly. If you could support us by talking to your children at home, we would be very grateful.

Thank you for your continued support in upholding these expectations. Together, we can ensure that our school remains a place where every child can thrive.

Ms Luu Headteacher

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This Week's Celebration Awards

Silas, Rory, Marley, Saswot, Gavin, Ronnie, Aaron, Charlie, Elliot, Tiara, Scarlet, Tianna, Owen



This Week's Presentation Awards



Lily, Arlo, James, Zach, Carl, Tallulah, Teddy, Eleanor, Aaditjung, Charlie, Skyla, April, Irene

ATTENDANCE

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

Week Commencing: 10th November 2025

Hokusai 100% Monet 100% Van Gogh 98.11% Matisse 97.52% Hockney 96.89% Baldessari 96.71% Lichtenstein 96.19%

Dates For Your Diary

26th November – EYFS Trip to Audley End 28th November – FOBS Christmas Fayre 17th December – Christmas Dinner



Parent Workshops

Tuesday 9th Dec, 9am - Attendance 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



PE ROUNDUP

Cross Country News

Wednesday saw our KS2 pupils take part in the South Cambridgeshire 1-mile cross country run. Boys and girls from every year group in KS2 took part and could not have made the school prouder.

For many of our runners, it was their first time participating in an event like this, and they showed incredible determination and resilience throughout — well done to all of them.

A big thank you once again to the staff team and our parent volunteers who generously gave up their time and braved the rain to support the children.

Football News

Score: Barrington (0) vs Bassingbourn (10)

Thursday evening saw another impressive victory for the Bassingbourn Primary School football team. The boys quickly secured a 0–3 lead thanks to excellent goals from Andre (1) and Harry (2). Barrington continued to challenge Bassingbourn's defence, but outstanding sweeper-keeping from Chase and heroic defending from Jacob and Max kept them firmly at bay.

A long-range effort from Max made it 0–4 before hat-trick hero Harry added another to take the score to 0–5 at half-time.

The second half began with a competitive edge, as Bassingbourn played with a two-player disadvantage in order to appropriately abide by the league's fair play rule. Despite this, the boys

continued to dominate, scoring five more goals through Andre (1), Max (1), Louie (1), Teddy (1), and Jacob (1).

Exceptional work rate from Finley, Devon, and Archie helped secure a clean sheet, showcasing the team's discipline and determination throughout the match.

The boys were well supported from the touchline by long-standing supporters Miss Richardson and Mrs Barnett. Although unable to attend this particular fixture, Mrs Castle's competitive spirit and words of wisdom were clearly embodied by the team's performance.

We look forward to our next fixture in the coming months.

Mr. Mikelson

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lydia for obtaining a gold medal in her Trampolining competition. We are very proud of your achievement!

Lydia's comments: "I entered s competition in Harlow for Trampolining where I had to complete a routine. I placed first in the competition and won a gold medal."





<u>Special Message from Phil Turner - Head of Girls Football</u> @ Norwich City Football Development

Dear Parent and guardians,

Please see details of an exciting opportunity for female footballers in school year 4-6 to attend a free trial training session at one of our player development centres in the Hertfordshire area. If your daughter is passionate about football, dedicated to improving, and wants to be part of a professional development programme, this is the opportunity for her.

Players on our programmes pay a small fee to take part in the programme but receive the following benefits:

- Take part in weekly training sessions delivered by our UEFA qualified coaches, we pride ourselves on sessions being both educational and enjoyable for our players
- Train with highly talented players to develop skills and tactical understanding.
- The opportunity to progress within the club's development pathway.
- Full Norwich City Training kit included.
- The opportunity to travel on residential training trips.
- Take part in fixtures against other development programmes.

Please see full details below of the session and how to book your place.

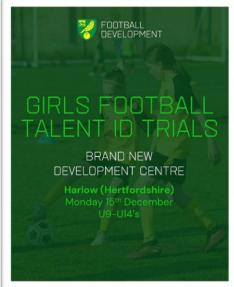
Harlow – *BRAND NEW* Girls Development Centre

Venue: Mark Hall Academy

Address: First Ave, Harlow, CM17 9LR

What3Words: ///skin.holly.rigid

Evening: Monday



Trial Date: 15th December 2025

Times: 18:00 – 19:30 | Girls U9/U10, U11/U12 & U13/U14

Trial Booking

Link: https://www.abler.io/shop/ncfcfd/girlsdevelopmentpathway/product/Q2x1YlNlcnZpY2

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Year 4 News

Maths

In Maths, Year 4 have been learning about *short multiplication* and how to use their knowledge of times tables to help them calculate larger numbers. We have been practising multiplying three-digit numbers by one-digit numbers, using what we know about multiplying by 10, 100, and 1000 to make the process easier to understand. The children have also been applying these skills to problem-solving and reasoning questions, explaining their thinking and showing different strategies to check their answers.

English

In English, we have begun exploring the beautifully illustrated book *The Place Between*. The children have enjoyed imagining what it might be like to visit a circus, describing the sights, sounds, and emotions that such an experience could bring. This has inspired some fantastic creative writing, where pupils have been using conjunctions to link and extend their sentences, helping them to add more detail and excitement to their work.

Geography

In Geography, Year 4 have been investigating *biomes* from around the world. We have discovered the key features of different biomes such as rainforests, deserts, tundras, and grasslands, and where we would find them on the globe. The children have enjoyed comparing these environments and discussing what makes each biome unique. We will soon be exploring the rainforests and the incredible habit it is home to for millions of different species.

The Year 4 Team, Hockney and Lichtenstein Classes

FOBS Update

Christmas Fayre Update from the FOBS Christmas Elves

Thank you so much to everyone who's been getting behind us in the run-up to the Christmas Fayre!

We are still looking for bottle donations — wine, spirits, shower gel, or water — for our popular Wine or Water game. All contributions are very much appreciated!

Raffle tickets should now have made their way home. Please could we ask that ticket stubs and money are returned to school by Monday 18th November. Extra tickets will also be available to purchase at the Fayre itself.

We can't wait to see you all there! Lots of planning and excitement go into making this a wonderful event for everyone.





Grey & Co Wax Melts

T A Bundle of Joy

Charlie's Sweets

...and many more!

Outside, Reggie's Burger Van will be serving up delicious food, while FOBS will be selling teas, coffees, hot chocolates, and hot dogs inside.

Thank you for your continued support — we couldn't do it without you!

With festive cheer,

The FOBS Christmas Elves



