



Bassingbourn
Community Primary School

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26th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

This week I have had a chance visiting lessons and looking at pupils' books. What a positive start to the school year! Pupils are showing increasing learning engagement in classes and the work shown in books are more consistent to our school curriculum. A big thank you to pupils, staff, parents and carers for this great school readiness.

As many of you are aware, the school has gone through a challenging period in the past few years with a historic inconsistent curriculum delivery. Now, with a clear vision moving forward, we are doing our utmost to ensure prior learning gaps are closed and pupils achieve a strong foundation of core skills in reading, writing and maths. This commitment is reflected in our school development priorities and the weekly curriculum timetable in school with a greater emphasis on acquiring sufficient reading, writing and maths skills. I want to reassure you that we continue to foster learning holistically and will provide our pupils with a rich and balanced provision. However, we know that without a good level of functional core skills, pupils face additional barriers with accessing the wider curriculum and securing future success.

Your support with learning at home will be essential. 'Every little helps' as the saying goes – a 10-minute reading time at home before school or bedtime, a times-table practice during a car journey to the shops or regular handwriting practice at home – They all help with learning progress. This year, we are planning a series of parent workshops focusing on providing you with the knowledge and skills to support your child's learning at home. If there is a particular area, such as phonics, maths or Early Years, that you want more help with, please email in your ideas and we will plan our workshops based on your feedback.

Finally, I know that we have mentioned this before, but the greatest help that you can give us to ensure your child's learning progress is regular attendance. Attending school every day helps your child to recap and consolidate their learning. Being in school every day also helps to prevent existing prior learning gaps widening. Please do what you can to ensure your child attend school regularly. A sore throat, a slight sniffle or a mild cold should not prevent your child from attending school.

I thank you for your ongoing trust and support.

Ms Luu
Headteacher

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This Week's Celebration Awards

Boden, Matilda, Freya, Alfred, Evie, Sai, Jake, Mabel, Teddy, Perri, Annabelle, Sadie, Carly



This Week's Presentation Awards



Alina, Robert, Bethany, Joseph, Lexie, Antoni, Rubee,
Henry, Olivia, Caris, George, Ethan, Jasmine

ATTENDANCE

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

Week Commencing: 22nd September 2025

Hokusai 100%
Monet 100%
Hepworth 99.31%
Baldessari 98.77%
Matisse 98.52%
Lichtenstein 96.58%

Dates For Your Diary

3rd October – Year 3 School Trip

9th October - Flu immunisation

10th October – Hello Yellow Day (please see our poster below)

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

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

Monday 27th October – 31st October – Half Term



PE ROUNDUP

Dear Parents and Carers,

Your input is vital in shaping the provision we offer to support pupils' development as well-rounded individuals here at Bassingbourn.

Following the recent success of our netball club, we are keen to expand our range of afterschool sports clubs. To help us align our vision with the interests of our pupils and families, we would be grateful if you could complete the short survey linked below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=yhJMKQZ760ihKgmXj9bcZ9nhxV4s6NZNk1qyuqKHDrRUMU1OUFdHMkIOSERDOEdUTUJLNEswRIlwRi4u>

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes,
Mr Mikelson

Year 4 News

Maths

We've been using place value to explore 4-digit numbers. The children are becoming confident at reading, writing, and comparing large numbers, as well as spotting patterns.

Science

Our topic is *Animals: Digestion and Food*. We've been learning about digestion and food, discovering how the body breaks down what we eat and the important role different organs play.

History

In history, we're exploring how life has changed from Tudor times to the Victorian era. The children are enjoying comparing homes, schools, and daily life across these fascinating periods.

French

We're learning how to talk about people's characteristics. The children are practising simple phrases to describe themselves and others, and building confidence in speaking French aloud.

With so much going on across the curriculum—and even more exciting lessons ahead—it's wonderful to see Year 4 learning with such enthusiasm!

The Year 4 Team (Hockney and Lichtenstein Classes)

FOBS Update

FOBS Newsletter – September Update

Car Boot Sale – This Sunday, 28th September

We're excited to invite you to our school Car Boot Sale this Sunday! Why not pop down and enjoy a morning of bargain-hunting while supporting our school?

So far, we have 56 pitches booked (with more still coming in!), which means there will be plenty of stalls to browse and treasures to find.

What you can look forward to on the day:

Dobsons Burger Van – always a hit, especially after our Summer Fayre!

FOBS Teas & Coffees – served by our friendly volunteers

Pre-loved School Uniform – a great way to stock up affordably

A few Games for All Ages – simple fun for the whole family

Where your support goes:

All the funds raised by FOBS go directly to benefit the pupils. This term, we're focusing on:

Outdoor gym equipment

Christmas gifts & crackers

Our in-school Panto experience on the 12th of December



We are so grateful for your continued support — every game played, cup of tea bought, or bargain found makes a difference for our children.

We have our AGM on the 1st of October, please come along if you can!

With thanks,

The FOBS Team 💙

SPECIAL NOTICES

May we ask all parents and carers to check their children's hair on a regular basis, as some of our pupils have recently found nits in their hair.

May we also remind all parents and carers that dogs are NOT allowed on the school premises.





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YOUNGMINDS

**Hello
Yellow**
FRIDAY 10 OCT



**Wear it loud.
Wear it proud.**

Bassingbourn School Council would like everyone to wear yellow this World Mental Health Day, 10th October, they are asking for a donation of £1 for the Young Minds charity.

You can donate by visiting fundraise.youngminds.org.uk
and searching for our school donation page or using the link on the FOBS facebook page.

Thank you!

#HelloYellow

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Young Minds is a registered charity in England (1014040) and Scotland (SC039595).

RTFC **FREAKY FRIDAY**

FRIDAY 31ST
OCTOBER



GARDEN WALK



9:00 - 3:00 PM



£25



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GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL CAMP

October Half Term

A fun-filled day of football,
games, matches and new
friends! Open to all abilities.

**30th October
2025**

LAYSTON SCHOOL BUNTINGFORD
9AM - 3PM £25 PER DAY



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OCTOBER HOLIDAY COURSE



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TUES / WEDS / THURS

28TH - 29TH - 30TH

9AM - 3PM

£25 PER DAY
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£65 FOR ALL 3 DAYS



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