



BUCKLESHAM BULLETIN

Bucklesham Primary School

1st December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reminders

- We have the Scout postbox in school (near the toilets) until 11th December for 35p per card. They will deliver to any IP1-IP5 postcode and the Felixstowe area.
- Please let the Office know if you would like a Christingle collection tube for spare change for The Children's Society.

Staffing changes

Miss Harling will be leaving us at the end of term to start a new job. We wish her all the very best, and I would like to thank her for the fantastic job she has done at Bucklesham. She will be missed by Willow class. Miss Cocker will be moving role and working as the Willow class Teaching Assistant 4.5 days a week. Miss Turpin will also be teaching in Willow class on a Monday and will be in school Monday-Wednesday. We will be advertising for some more TA hours that we now have available.

Lates

Although attendance at Bucklesham Primary is generally good, we have had an increase in children arriving late at school. Since September, we have had over 50 lates recorded from 18 children. These children miss their learning in class which has started by 8:45am and some children can find it embarrassing to come into class late. Just to remind you that the gates are shut at 8:50am and from that time children have to enter through the front door. Any child that arrives after 8:55am is classed as late and parents need to sign the sheet with a reason why. We do appreciate that sometimes unexpected events happen, and we want to support parents to have their child at school on time and ready to learn. Breakfast Club is available from 8am, and the doors open at 8:35am giving parents 20 minutes to get children into school before they are late. Please come and talk to me if we can support you in any way to get your child to school on time.

Families magazine

This new digital edition of Families Suffolk magazine is OUT NOW and packed with great articles and activities for families to enjoy. It also includes a brilliant **What's On Guide** for local festive family days out.

We also have some amazing giveaways - in fact, there are more than 140 Christmas gifts for kids up for grabs in our **Great Christmas Toy Giveaway**, including two Fireman Sam Ultimate Heroes, four Miraculous Magic Heroez Doll bundles, ten cute and cuddly Biggies, two 3 wheeled K3YRIDERS Perrycornio Plus Head Scooters and Helmets, and lots more!

Don't miss:

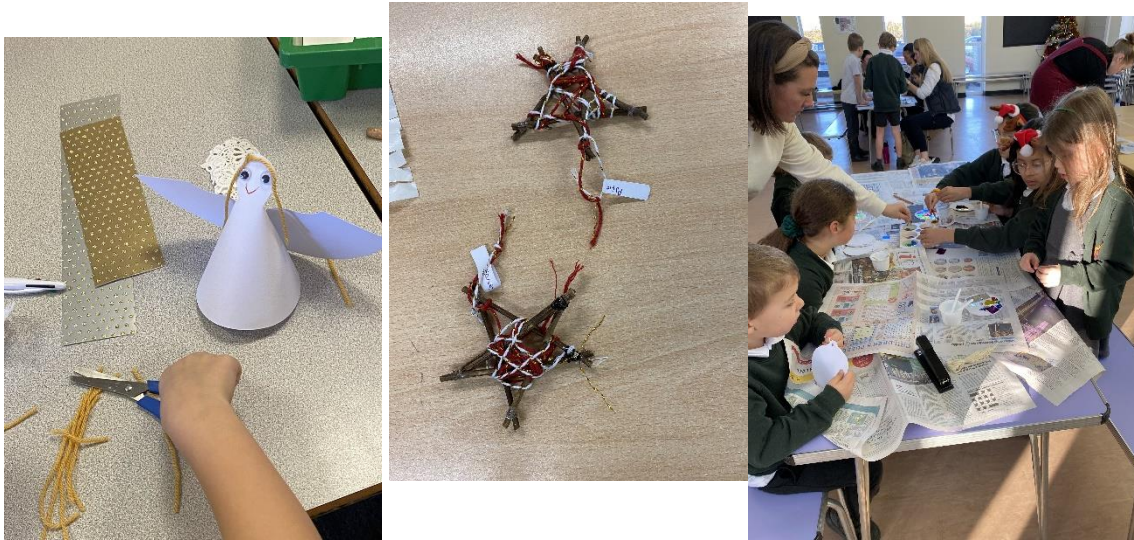
- * [The Twelve Museums of Christmas](#)
- * [Homemade gift ideas for teachers](#)
- * [Top family films for Christmas](#)
- * [Games to improve concentration](#)
- * [Articles to help you support your child's learning](#)

And much more! Click the link below:

[Families Suffolk: Sept-Oct 2023 Digital Edition by Families Magazine - Issuu](#)

Curriculum Enrichment

Decoration making It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents in school yesterday to support the children making decorations. These are displayed in the Hall and will go home at the end of term.



Celebration Assembly

Willow class shared one more Hungry Caterpillar books.

Oak class shared their seven continents globes.

Ash class shared their subtraction maths.

Yew class shared their division word problems which they created.

Headteacher's Awards

Well done to the following children who have received the Headteacher's award this week.

Willow Class Chantilly for always showing amazing attitude to learning and setting a great example to her peers.

Oak Class Lucian for making good progress in his reading.

Ash Class Jared for being a good role model and displaying good learning behaviour.

Yew Class Ava for her outstanding problem solving in maths this week.

Bronze Award Remi, Jamie, Stanley, Spencer C, Alaiya

Wishing you all a lovely weekend and thank you for supporting our BSA Christmas event today.

Miss Rachael Rudge
Head Teacher

Dates for your diary

Clubs next week: Mon Inspire, Tues Homework Club, Wed Dance, Thurs Gardening,
Fri Football Club

Thursday 7 th December	10-12 Christmas Cracker PE event @ Inspire, last gardening club
Friday 8 th December	Last football club with Mo
Monday 11 th December	Last swimming for Yew and final piano lesson
Tuesday 12 th December	2pm KS1 Nativity Performance, last homework club
Wednesday 13 th December	Last Dance club
Thursday 14 th December	3:30pm KS1 Nativity performance, last day for Suffolk shoebox appeal for homeless adults
Friday 15 th December	Whole school visit to Regent for panto, packed lunch
Monday 18 th December	3pm Carols on the playground, after school sports club is on
Tuesday 19 th December	2:30pm Christingle in church, parents to pick up from church (no homework club)
Wednesday 20 th December	Last day of term, Christmas dinner (please send back slip if you want packed lunch on that day, see separate letter), Christmas jumpers (optional)

TERM DATES 2023-2024

Wednesday 6 September 2023 – Wednesday 20 December 2023

PD Day 3 January 2024

Thursday 4 January 2024 – Thursday 28 March 2024

Half Term: 19 - 23 February 2024

PD Day 12 April 2024

Monday 15 April 2024 – Friday 19 July 2024

May Day – 6 May 2024

Half Term: 27 - 31 May 2024

All dates are correct at time of publication but may be subject to change