Weekly Newsletter

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BUCKINGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday25th September

This week, we were delighted to welcome Gemma Hopkin, one of our Co-Chairs of Governors, into school and nursery. Gemma enjoyed a tour and had the opportunity to see the children learning and playing. It was lovely to see how well settled the children are and the positive start they have made to the new school year.

Gemma was also pleased to see the improvements made across the school since July, particularly in Nursery, Reception and Year 1. The work completed has made a real difference to the learning environments and the spaces available for our children.

It was also school photo day this week, and the children looked incredibly smart! We look forward to seeing the photographs.

Finally, a plea from us: please make sure jumpers, coats and other belongings are clearly named. The amount of unlabelled lost property already this term has been staggering. Replacing missing items is expensive, so a name really does make a difference!

Top News

BPS Class Trophy

Well done to the children who have received our class tropies this week:

Reception:	Gracie & Otis Henry
Year 1:	Fleur & Franklin
Year 2:	Jayden & Matilda
Year 3:	Edie & Elliot
Year 4:	Seth & Ruby
Year 5:	Matilda & Riona
Year 6:	Preston & Raima

9th October Hope you can join us!

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Don't forget to encourage your child to complete the Big Future Survey for the Children's Commissioner

https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture

This week's music choice:

This week we have a classical piece, Passacaglia – Handel/Halvorsen (Piano Solo)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GAIZxaToV2A&list=PLt_47Imx98wqc2_lOAg53v8Op-oks9KB5&index=2

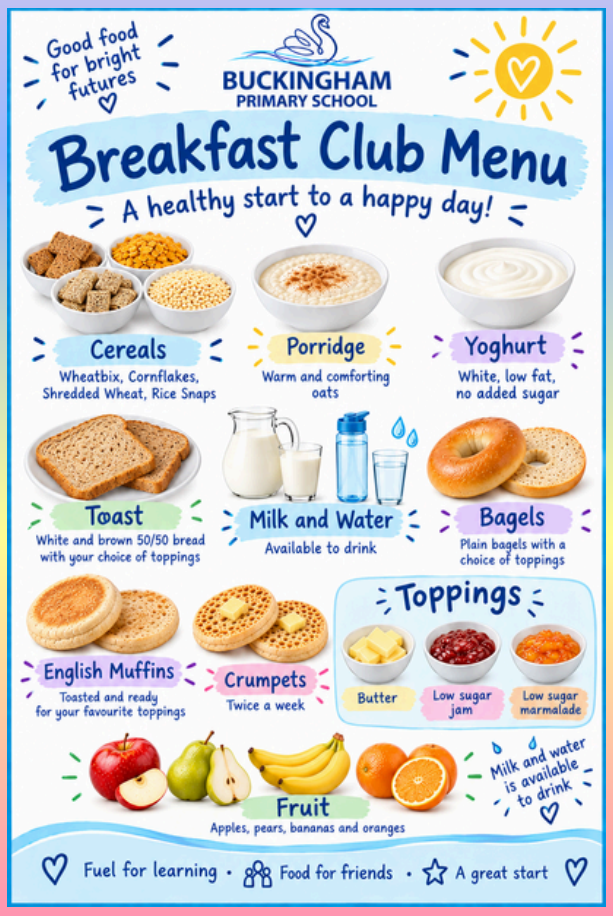
Oracy Project: Home Discussion Prompt

Nepal has announced that, as a result of years of conservation activities, its wild tiger populatoin has more than tripled, rising from 121 tigers in 2010 to 429 tigers today. With increasing numbers and more encournters between tigers and nearby villages, experts are asking how people and wildlife can safely share the same land.

If you have an opportunity this week, perhaps talk with your child about:

- Do you think it's fair that wild animals need to use the same land as people want to use? Why?
- If you lived near a forest with tigers would you feel excited, nervous or both? What would help you feel safe?
- Is there an animal, plant or wild space near where you live that you believe deserves more protection? What could you do to help it?

In response to the Department of Education's recent guidance for healthy eating, we are pleased to share our revised Breakfast Club menu, ensuring children enjoy a healthy start to their day!



Safeguarding

Childline Data: The Five Apps Most Linked to Online Sexual Abuse - NSPCC

As our children become increasingly confident using technology, it is important that we continue to talk to them about staying safe online. The NSPCC has recently shared Childline data highlighting the platforms most frequently mentioned by children when talking about online sexual abuse.

Between April 2025 and March 2026, Snapchat, TikTok, Instagram, Discord and WhatsApp were the five platforms mentioned most often.

This is a useful reminder that online safety is something we all need to keep talking about. Please take a few minutes to check the apps your child is using, look at age restrictions and privacy settings, and talk about who they are communicating with online.

Most importantly, remind your child that they can always come to a trusted adult if something online makes them feel worried or uncomfortable. No problem is too big or too small to talk about

You can find further information on the NSPCC report here https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2026/new-childline-data-reveals-top-five-platforms-apps-linked-to-online-child-sexual-abuse/

Coming up

6th October Year 3 Harvest Festival
9th October MacMillan Coffee Morning
13th October Year 3 Stowe Garden Trip
14th October Yr 6 Duxford Trip
20th & 22nd October - Parents Evenings
22nd October Yr 4 British Schools Museum
11th December Whole School Panto Trip

SAVE THE DATE!!

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WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER