



Bassingbourn
Community Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

It was great to see early years parents and carers attending the maths workshop this week. We look forward to seeing you next Tuesday at our coffee morning with NESSie to talk about emotionally based school avoidance (EBSA).

It is important for children to attend school regularly and punctually as absences have a detrimental impact on children's learning and progress. We appreciate your ongoing support with your child's attendance. If you are unsure whether your child should attend school when they have minor illness, please talk to us, so we can support you. Further information can be found on our school website.

We look forward to seeing you all tonight at the Christmas Fayre.

Thanks,

Ms Luu
Headteacher

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This Weeks Celebration Awards

Mabel, Charlie, Sayuna, William, Ellie, Kaitlyn,
Anamol, Chase, Isla, Edith, Sayuri, Renaie



Presentation Award



Valentina, Alfred, Elliot, Rory, Dash, Max, Stephen,
Lois, Harry, Joshua, Eleanor, Ayla

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to the following classes who achieved greater than 96% target for attendance:
Week Commencing: 18th November 2024

Cassatt 98.40%

Monet 98%

Hepworth 97.6%

Hockney 97.41%

Matisse 96.8%

Dates For Your Diary

06th Dec: Santa Dash

11th Dec: EYFS Christmas Play Performance (AM)

11th Dec: School Panto (at school)

12th Dec: EYFS Christmas Play Performance (PM)

18th Dec: Christmas Lunch, Wear a Christmas Jumper!

19th Dec: Christmas Party Afternoon



Parent Workshops

3rd Dec. 9-10am – Emotionally Based School Avoidance

12th Dec. 9-10am – Behaviour

30th Jan. 2:15-3:15 – Reading

20th Mar. 9-10am – Maths

22nd May 2:15-3:15 – SEND

17th Jul. 9-10am – School Development Update



PE ROUNDUP

Next Friday, Bassingbourn Primary Pupils will have the opportunity to take part in the national Santa dash. This will be onsite and will take place at some point during the school day. The 'dash' will have a few obstacles for pupils to go through, so PE kits and trainers are encouraged. Pupils are also welcome to wear Santa hats. Photos from the day will be shared!

Mr. Mikelson

A promotional poster for the School Games National Santa Dash. The top half features a photograph of children in festive costumes (elves, Santa hats) running under a large archway made of red and white balloons. A red banner in the top left corner of the photo says 'School GAMES'. The bottom half of the poster is a solid red background with white text. The text reads: 'School Games National Santa Dash', 'Join thousands across the country for some active festive fun', 'Friday 6th December 2024' (in a green oval), and the hashtags '#SGSantaDash' and '#santasmiles'.

Year 4 News



Both classes have been thoroughly engaged in learning about the history of the motor car and then learning about the design process. We have been making prototypes. We made a chassis and axle to make a moving vehicle.

We then progressed to a Slingshot car—We had great fun testing those out!



Continuing with our Roman topic, the children worked together in small groups to make a model of a Roman house. It was fascinating hearing all the different fixing and fittings they wanted to have in their houses. We were impressed with the outcomes and think many have a future in architecture!



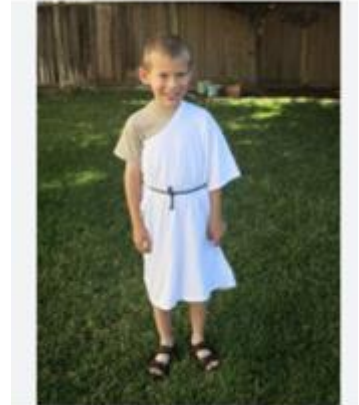


The Romans are Coming!

We are super excited to be having the fabulous History Off the Page come in the whole day on Monday 16th December.

They will be delivering a wonderful interactive workshop to bring our Romans topic to a close.

We would love the children to come dressed as a Roman for the day too!



In maths, we have been continuing to develop our recall skills of times tables and division facts. We have progressed on to short multiplication. The children worked on worded multiplication problems to consolidate their learning and add an extra layer of challenge!

In English, we have been learning how to write persuasive letters. We have been teaching the children letter writing conventions just in time to write all their 'Thank you' letters after Christmas!

Lichtenstein and Hockney Class

FOBS Update

The Christmas Fayre is finally here! We will be in the thick of setting up, when you receive this email. We hope you will all enjoy the event, as much as our team have enjoyed planning and making it all happen!

The effort that goes into planning the Christmas Fayre, is incredible! I want to thank each and every one of you, for being part of it. Thank you for your donations, thank you for joining in with the raffle, be it donating or buying the tickets. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 2nd December.

I want to personally thank our core committee, Hazel, Kaz, Gemma, Linzi, Jessica, Tracey and most importantly Mr Jeray – the very patient man who makes this all happen without fuss!

We are so grateful for the support from the school staff, we think the children will love seeing them involved in the games. We have been very lucky this year to receive so many offers of support and so many volunteering to help on the night, we cannot do it without you all!

Thanks a million,

Faye Jeray





Join us for an informal session with our Specialist Family Support workers where you can discuss the challenges around helping your child to attend school with other parents/carers of students at Bassingbourn Primary.

You will have the opportunity to ask questions in a warm, supportive and confidential environment. Advice around various strategies can be shared for not only when your child struggles to attend school, but also other factors that may be contributing such as Anxiety.

3rd December '24

9am - 10am

[Book here!](#)

Introducing our Nessie Family Support Workers:



Caron Aspis

Caron is a specialist family support worker with experience working with primary and secondary school families to support their mental health.



Claire Mascarenhas

Claire is an experienced youth worker, specialises in complex needs and EBSA. Claire has two children who have neurodiverse needs.

Foster Carers, Parents with Adopted Children and Guardians



Mrs Remington Davidson, our Assistant Head, is the school's Designated Teacher. In this role, Mrs Remington Davidson supports children who have been in previously been care or are currently in care and works with external agencies to support families, who attend Bassingbourn Primary School. She builds a relationship with the children and works with the children's class teachers to ensure they are getting additional support where needed. She also works closely with Miss Gregson, our SENDCO.

In 2025, school will be hosting two community coffee mornings to develop this network of support further, alongside the Virtual School, whose role is to support both schools and families of children who were previously in care or are currently in care. Please do visit their website for further details on their role - [Virtual School website](#).

Details of the coffee mornings will be shared with parents in the new year. If you wish to contact Mrs Remington Davidson for support, please do contact the Office and she will be more than willing to meet.