



At The School Gate



Community Newsletter - Brampton Village Primary School

Week Ending 30th January 2026

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Headteacher's Log

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Brilliant School Admin Team

As mentioned last week, I'd like to take a moment to recognise our wonderful admin team, who work tirelessly to keep the school running smoothly.

They are often the first friendly faces families meet each day, and they handle an incredible range of responsibilities that support every part of school life, including:

- Welcoming families and visitors and helping with day-to-day enquiries
- Managing attendance and pupil information
- Supporting safeguarding processes and maintaining accurate records
- Handling phone calls, emails and communication with parents
- Coordinating school trips, events and key dates
- Managing medical information and first-aid records
- Overseeing bookings, paperwork, and essential office systems
- Supporting budget and financial processes
- Responding calmly and efficiently to the unexpected tasks that arise throughout the day

They do all of this with warmth, professionalism and a smile, and they are often the “fountain of all knowledge” within the school. We are incredibly grateful for everything they do for our children, our families and our staff team.

See you at the school gate,

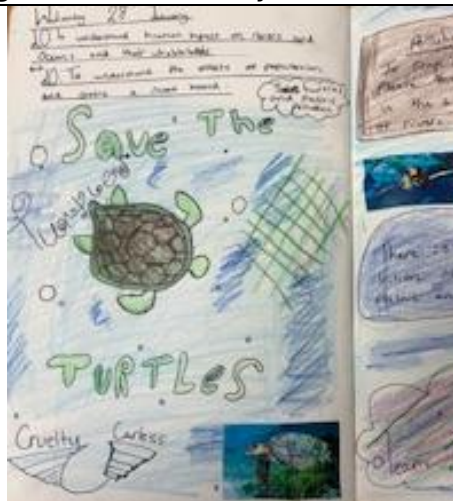


Chris Hill, Headteacher














Headteacher awards – under the sea!

Many of this week's awards have had a sealife theme. Wonderful artwork from Kody and Aimee from Year 5 along with some environmental posters from Faith, Abigail and Taylor. I also couldn't resist Max's writing from Year 2 to highlight! Well done everyone!



Tree points -scores so far up to 29th January 2026

TOTAL SCORES		
	BEECH	6510
	MAPLE	6735
	WILLOW	7317

			
Good manners	Taking care of the school environment	Personal achievement	Headteacher Award
			
Lunchtime Award	Independence	Helping others in the school community	Sportsmanship

VIP Celebration Assembly this week

The following children have been selected to receive our VIP awards this week. They have walked (and in some cases danced) down the red carpet. They will now wear their VIP lanyard for a week and then enjoy snacks and drinks with me next Thursday.

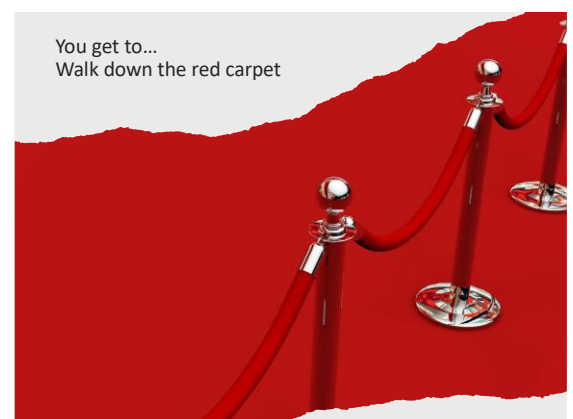
VIP roll of honour (Friday 30th January 2026) –
Congratulations to:

H Anderson F White E Peters D Easton

M Sermons K Chamunorwa R Hurrell S Cullen-Stephenson M Sohanta A Datuin

K Wooding A Hodgson A Mazzone S George J Offei-Nunoo K Coveney J Paul

E Almeida-Geaves O Wren M Niazi M Broulik-Jamison



Books, books, books....2026 'The Year of Reading.'

Now that we are into 2026, we are excited to celebrate "The Year of Reading" across school! Throughout the year, we will be nurturing a love of stories, words, and imagination by giving children across the school even more opportunities to read, listen, and share books they enjoy. From inviting reading spaces and shared story sessions to special events and challenges, our aim is to help every child grow in confidence and discover the joy that reading brings.

*We are also delighted to share that our **Scholastic Book Fair** will be taking place from **Thursday 26th February until Monday 2nd March in the Key Stage 1 Hall**, offering families a wonderful chance to browse and purchase a wide range of books.*

*In addition, we will be celebrating **World Book Day on Thursday 5th March**, when all children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character! We warmly encourage families to join us throughout these exciting events as we make 2026 a magical and inspiring Year of Reading for our whole school community.*



More information about World Book Day activities will be sent out soon in our termly school reading newsletter.

There is a box in the office reception lobby labelled 'Book Amnesty' next to the food bank box for you to drop them off from now until February half term. Many thanks!

Open afternoon – See you on Wednesday 11th February after school

This is a chance for you to visit the school, see your child's classroom and latest work and hold informal conversations with teacher and staff. We look forward to seeing you!

Spring Term 2026 – Key dates

Please see below the dates of a range of key events happening at school

30 th January	Local MP to visit BVPS
3 rd and 12 th February	Winter Discos
11 th February	Open afternoon
13 th February	Last day of half term
23 rd February	School reopens
24 th -26 th February	Parents' Evenings
27 th February – 3 rd March	Book Fair
2-6 th March	Y6 Residential
5 th March	World Book Day
Wb 9 th March	Parent Survey Launch
20 th March	Red Nose Day
Wb 23 th March	Easter Competition
27 th March	Last day of term

PTA News – note change of disco date



Thanks to everyone for all their donations for Bag2School! In terms of what's coming up:

Winter Discos :

Please be aware that for logistical reasons, the Brambles & Reception and Years 5 & 6 discos planned for 5th February have been postponed and will now take place on Thursday 12th February. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

For Years 1&2 and Years 3 & 4 these will be happening as originally planned on Tuesday 3rd February. For anyone wanting to volunteer, there are still spaces so sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-61586433-2025#/>

Drawing Competition: With World Book Day fast approaching, we will be running our annual Drawing Competition in conjunction with Image Exclusive. Your children should bring templates home with them in the coming days and the deadline for these being completed is the Monday after Half Term (23rd February) offering a great rainy day Half Term activity

Non Uniform Day: Our next Non Uniform Day will take place on the last day of term (Friday 13th February). Donation pots will be available on the day or you can pay in advance on Sumup at <https://brampton-pta.sumupstore.com/product/non-uniform-day-1x-child>

Cake Friday : As a slight change from the note last week, with Year 6 on their residential w/c 2nd March, our next Cake Friday is now planned for Friday 13th March with Maple classes providing Cakes. See you all there!

Junior Bake Off



Community News- Half term holiday camps



FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

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Limited spaces available

For ages 4 to 11 years

FUN WITH OAK ACTIVITIES!

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COME AND JOIN US THIS HALF TERM FOR SPORTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, GAMES, TEAM BUILDING AND SO MUCH MORE!

Upwood Primary Academy 16th - 20th February 9am—4pm	Wyton On The Hill Primary School 16th - 20th February 9am—4pm
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£20 per day - Discounts for siblings and whole camp bookings

Book Now At: <https://bookwhen.com/oakactivities-multisportcamps>

For further information please email: info@oakactivities.com or telephone: 01487 465002

Cambridge United February ½ Term Soccer School



February Soccer Schools are here, and we are inviting you to join us during this Half Term!!!

Join Cambridge United for their **February Soccer Schools** from Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February and have an unforgettable Half Term of footballing fun!

Event Details:

Be in with a chance to win amazing Cambridge United prizes and enjoy our daily themes where every child can express themselves in any way they want!

Also meet our very own Cambridge United players who get involved with games and activities!

There's still plenty of spaces, so make sure register soon and secure your spot via website:

Soccer Schools - [Soccer Schools | Cambridge United F.C.](#)

If you have any questions or need any more information then please send us an email.

For Soccer Schools, please email Elliot at elliotj@cambridgeunited.com

Ages:

- Ages 5-12

Venues:

- Chesterton Community College
- Coleridge Community College

Dates:

- Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Times:

- 9:00-4:00

Cost:

- 1 day - £22.50
- 2 days - £45
- 3 days - £65
- 4 days - £85
- 5 days - £100

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