



Community Newsletter - Brampton Village Primary School

Week Ending 16th October 2026

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Headteacher's log

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

What a busy and rewarding week it has been here at Brampton Village Primary School! I always think this is a good time to stop and take stock, and there is plenty to share with you.

All of our Year 1 classes have been out on walks around Brampton Village as part of their History topic work. They have been looking closely at the range of styles of houses in our local area. I love seeing pupils make links between their learning in class and the world right on their doorstep.

Members of our teaching and learning team have been popping into lessons this week to look at entry routines and strong starts. A calm, purposeful start makes a real difference to how much pupils get from the day, so this is an important focus for us.

I have also had the pleasure of conducting professional development reviews with our teachers this week. It is so uplifting to sit down with colleagues, celebrate the impact they have had over the last year and plan together for the year ahead. Our teachers work incredibly hard, and it was a joy to recognise that.

Our Tree Captains have begun planning some assemblies for after half term, where they will be talking about what 'being safe' means. I am really looking forward to seeing what they come up with.

Our Governing Body have met to plan their year of monitoring. This is a key part of governance, and it plays an important role in supporting the improvements we are making at our school.

Now for some important dates. **Parents' Evenings are next week.** The booking system closes at midnight on **Friday 16th October**, so please make sure you have secured your appointment before then.

There is also lots of PTA news in this week's newsletter, so do take a look.

Term ends on Friday 23rd October, and **children return on Tuesday 3rd November**. I hope you all manage to enjoy the break with your families.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

See you at the school gate,

Chris Hill, Headteacher

Headteacher Awards

Clara

ary
A nning

She lived in Lyme Regis, Dorset.

She was born on the 21st of May 1799.

She was an incredible fossil finder.

Her dad died when she was 11.

She searched for fossils after storms.

She was from a very poor family she could not afford to go to school.

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Date: _____
LO: To discover the work of Mary Anning

MARY ANNING

MARY ANNING found lots of fossils.

She went fossil hunting with her siblings and dog called Troy.

where she lived had cliffs made from sedimentary rocks with lots of fossils.

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Friday 9th October 2020
LO: To find out about the Maya religion and beliefs.

MAYA RELIGION

Introduction
The Maya believed in many different gods. They had a very strong belief in the gods. They believed that the gods could control human events. They believed that the gods could punish humans who did not follow their rules.

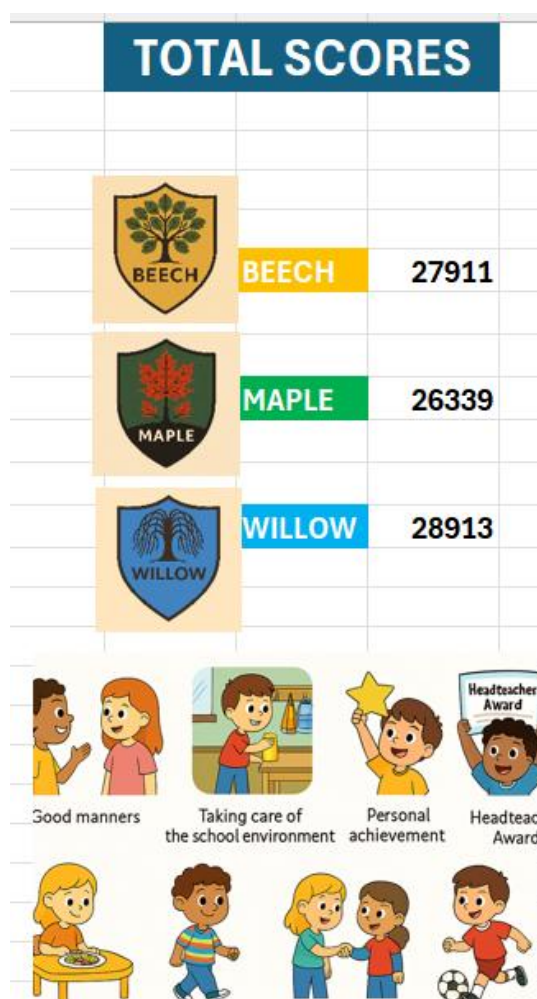
CHAC (Rain God)
Chac was the god of rain. He was depicted as a man with a crocodile head. He was responsible for bringing rain to the Maya people. He was also responsible for causing storms and lightning.

HA (Sun God)
Ha was the god of the sun. He was depicted as a man with a large square face and a headdress. He was responsible for bringing the sun up in the morning and setting it in the evening.

IX CH (Moon God)
Ix Ch was the goddess of the moon. She was depicted as a woman with a large square face and a headdress. She was responsible for bringing the moon up in the evening and setting it in the morning.

Other gods:
There were many other gods in the Maya religion. Some of the most important ones were the gods of agriculture, war, and death.

Tree Points – Willow are in the lead!



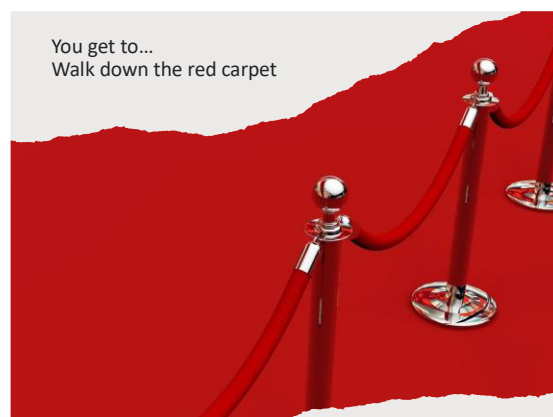
Every day children can earn 'tree points' for their 'tree family' pretty much for simply doing the right things. From showing our 6R's (our core values) through to personal achievements, helping others or taking care of our school. Each week the points get added up so we can see which 'tree family' (Beech, Maple or Willow) has done the best!

VIP Celebration Assembly this week

The following children have been selected to receive our third VIPs of the year this week. They have walked (and in some cases cart-wheeled) 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 16th October 2026) –
Congratulations to:

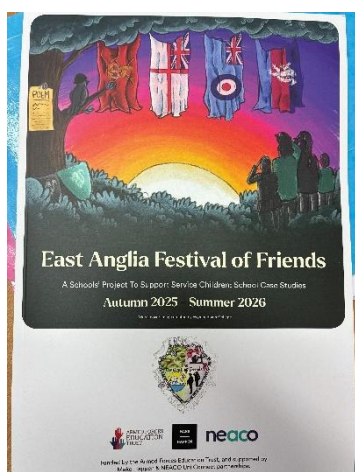
Frank, Arthur, Teddy, Hettie, Maisie, William,
Dylan, Myla, Clara, Hattie, Tyler, Alex, Marnie, Jan, Daniil, Tommy, Marius, Olivia



Parents' Evening bookings close at midnight on Friday 16th October

Please book your appointment for the slots available on 20th, 21st and 22nd October. Beyond the deadline the booking system will be closed.

<https://bramptonvillage.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



Festival of Friends publication

Last year Mrs Talbot and Mrs Silvester worked with a group of service family children and took part in the East Anglia festival of friends. I was delighted this week to receive a copy of the publication that shares the case study of our school as well as all the other schools that took part. Well done to everyone involved!

Applying for Secondary School places – deadline approaching

The deadline for applying for a Secondary School place for September 2027 is rapidly approaching. The deadline is 31st October 2026!. Follow this link for the application form [Admissions](#)



Next Steps

Admission to Secondary School; a guide for parents

2027 2028

Application deadline
31 October 2026

[Apply online at http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions)

Learning, Enjoying, Achieving

Reception 2027 starter Parent Tour

Do you have a child starting school in September 2027?

We would like to welcome you to our Parent Tour on **Wednesday 11th November at 9.30am and 2.00pm**, to see and hear what Brampton Village Primary has to offer you and your child.

See our school facilities, meet key staff and have an opportunity for questions.



Our new outdoor
play area



Please scan the QR code or **[book here](#)** and submit your details.

*Please note this is for parents/carers only



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Brampton Village Primary School,

Dates this term

School dairy	
Tuesday 20 th October	Tag Rugby Yr 5 & 6 3:20 – 4:15pm
Tuesday 20 th October	Parent Consultations (On line)
Wednesday 21 st October	Parent Consultations (Face to Face)
Thursday 22 nd October	Parent Consultations (On line)
Wednesday 14 th October	Open Afternoon 3:10 – 4:15pm
Thursday 22 nd October	Choir Year 3 – 6 (Full) 8:20am
Friday 23 rd October	Cake Friday
Friday 23 rd October	Last day of term
Tuesday 3 rd November	Children Return
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need
Monday 16 th November	NHS Flu

Christmas Events

Christmas Events	
Monday 30 th November	Year 1 Dress Rehearsal KS1
Tuesday 1 st December	Year 4 Viking Workshop KS1
Wednesday 2 nd December	KS1 Christingle Assembly KS2
Wednesday 2 nd December	Year 4 Viking Workshop KS1
Thursday 3 rd December	Year 1 Performance 09:45 KS1
Thursday 3 rd December	Year 2 Christingle Making KS2
Friday 4 th December	Christmas Dinner & Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 7 th December	NHS Flu Catch Up
Monday 7 th December	Year R Dress Rehearsal KS1
Tuesday 8 th December AM	Year R Performance KS1
Thursday 10 th December AM	Year R Performance KS1
Tuesday 15 th December	Y2 Performances 09:30 & 2:15pm KS1
Wednesday 16 th December	KS1 Carol Service 10.00am KS2 Carol Service 2.00pm
Friday 18 th December	Last Day of Term

Term Dates 2026-2027 Academic Year



Brampton Village Primary School Term Dates 2026 - 2027



School Closed			School Open
School Holiday	Bank Holiday	Staff Training Day	Pupil Day

September 2026						
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April 2027						
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July 2027						
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August 2027						
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PTA News

Cake Friday

Next Friday (23/10) is our first cake Friday and we can't wait for some yummy treats to start off half term! Remember it is children from **Beech classes** or **Brambles** to bring in cakes. We're currently light on volunteers so if you're able to help set up or sell cakes on the day, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-59489832-copy>

🌐 Disco 🌐

It's that time again! Where your children can socialise with friends, dance and have fun!!

For these to be fun and safe for everyone we need your help! Sign up below to let us know you can help with an activity or become the DJ for the evening.

Tuesday 10th November Brambles/ Reception and years 3 and 4

👉 <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-66706521-2026>

Thursday 12th November Years 1, 2, 5 & 6

👉 <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-66708154-2026>

🎄 Christmas events 🎅

There's still time to sign up your small business or local groups to join us for a stall for our Christmas shopping evening on Thursday 26th November 👉 sign up here

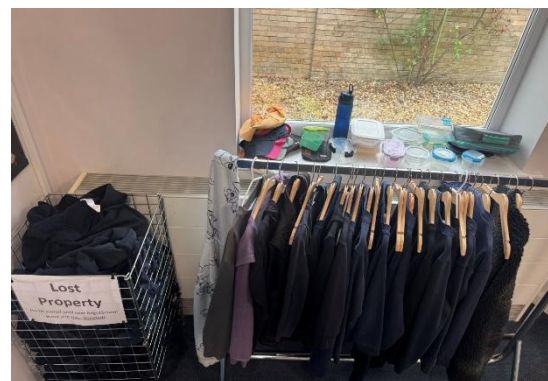
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/SSegav2Gke>

Another Christmas update...the children have been busy in school creating some Christmas goodies that will be available to purchase very soon. Keep an eye out next week for your order form and order before Monday 9th November to get those extra special gifts ordered 🎁

👕 Uniform 👕

If anyone is missing any uniform please come and check the lost property rail in the school reception before it is sorted to be sold on or donated alongside a range of tupperware.

If donating uniform to sell, please ensure your child's name has been removed.





SCHOOL DISCO

☆ TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

BRAMBLES & RECEPTION
(SUPERVISION REQUIRED)
5PM – 6PM

YEARS 3 & 4
6:30PM – 7:30PM

THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

YEARS 1 & 2
5PM – 6PM

YEARS 5 & 6
6:30PM – 7:30PM

£3 FOR ENTRY

Free biscuit and water station available

Cash only on the door

Parents MUST collect their children

No mobile phones

Community News – things to do at half-term



oneleisure
ACTIVE LIFESTYLES

Huntingdonshire
Community
Group
Valuing Diversity

HCG Sports Sessions

October 2026
FREE for 5-11 year olds!

Location:
One Leisure Huntingdon

Date & Time:
Monday 26th October (2pm - 4pm)
Thursday 29th October (11am - 1pm)

Register Your Interest
The quickest and easiest way is online:
www.oneleisure.net
Book Now → Community Activities → Parish Sessions

Please complete the Pre-Activity Questionnaire when prompted. A member of the Active Lifestyles Team will then be in touch to confirm your place.

If you require assistance, please call 01480 388111.



**Wildlife Trust for
Beds, Cambs
& Northants**

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The Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs and Northants

Family Owl Pellet Dissection

Friday 30th October 2026
10am - 1pm

Join us to dissect an owl pellet with the family at the Wildlife Trust Countryside Centre in Ramsey Heights.

Pellets have been retrieved from the Great Fen and you will discover which species our local owls have been hunting!

Prices:
Child Wildlife Trust BCN Member £5,
Non-member £7.50
Plus Eventbrite fees

Location:
Wildlife Trust Countryside Centre,
Chapel Road, Ramsey Heights,
PE26 2RS

Book online: wildlifebcn.org/events

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