



News and Information

Date: 26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are almost at the end of September already. It has been lovely to see children embracing the challenges of their new year groups. This year is again packed with lots of experiences and opportunities for the children to allow them to flourish and shine.

We wanted to share some of our focus development areas with you again this year. This does not mean we aren't continuing to work on other elements and keep other plates spinning as well. But these are some of our focus areas for this year:

Inclusion – Developing whole staff understanding on ADHD and how we can best support these pupils in their learning.

Curriculum and Teaching – Further enhancing the quality of education through the development of digital literacy teaching.

Achievement – A continued focus on writing and the implementation of our new 'gamified' writing to inspire the children across the year.

Personal development – This is linked to promoting spirituality across the curriculum and continuing to promote our theologically rooted Christian vision.

Leadership – A focus on broadening the range and scope of pupil leadership roles.

Early Years – A focus on the transition into Year 1 and the new continuous provision approach in Year 1 teaching and learning.

Ms Martin
Headteacher

Tuesday 30th September – Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

October:

Thursday 2nd – Year 4 Trip to Cassiobury Park

Monday 6th – Parent Coffee Morning – Focus on ADHD

Monday 6th – KS2 Author Visit – Athena Kugblenu

Tuesday 7th – FOBS AGM – 7pm at the School

Wednesday 8th – Doodle Workshop for Parents and Carers.

Friday 10th – FOBS Break the Rules Day

Friday 10th – Open Classrooms for parents and carers to come and view work at 2:45pm.

Monday 13th – Year 1 Parent Workshop with children – Maths – 9am

Thursday 16th – KS1 Author Visit – Paula Harrison

Friday 17th – Diawli Dance Workshop – Nursery, EYFS and KS1.

Monday 20th – Year 3 Harvest Festival to Parents and Carers – 9am

Tuesday 21st – Parents Evening Appointments online

Wednesday 22nd – Parents Evening Appointments online

Friday 24th – Year 5 and 6 British Black History Workshop

Superstar Learners

Well done to the following children and classes who have topped the different leaderboards in September.



Classes with the highest quiz average on Accelerated Reader

Gold	Pear and Whitebeam (93%)
Silver	Holly (92%)
Bronze	Hazel and Walnut (89%)

Classes with the highest percentage of children in the green zone

	English	Maths	Spell
Week 1	Holly	Pear	Sycamore
Week 2	Holly	Sycamore	Holly

Children with the most coins in Numbots and TTRS

	Numbots	TTRS
Year 1	Connor (Beech)	
Year 2	Alexander (Cedar)	Jack (Cherry)
Year 3	Thanvi (Holly)	Mabel (Holly)
Year 4	Tiynash (Pine)	Emily B (Pine)
Year 5	Adbhyo (Spruce)	Adbhyo (Spruce)
Year 6	Benson (Whitebeam)	Saarang (Walnut)

Children with the fastest studio speed on TTRS

Year 3	Eden-Bly (Holly)
Year 4	Tiynash (Pine)
Year 5	Arnas (Spruce)
Year 6	Youseef (Whitebeam)

Doodle Dual League

	Points
Cedar	
Cherry	
Hazel	
Holly	3
Pear	1
Pine	
Spruce	
Sycamore	2

SEND Updates



The SENDCo's at Bierton School are:
Mrs G Bramley- Year 1-6
Mrs V Tarling- EYFS

A reminder of the SENDCo email address if you need any support with any of the items raised in this newsletter or have any other concerns about your child's educational needs. senco@biertoncombined.bucks.sch.uk

Speech and Language Updates

This year, we have been allocated a link Speech and Language Therapist (SaLT). All children with an EHCP with SaLT in their plan will be seen by the link therapist this half term and a plan will be put into place for their future sessions and targets given for them to work on with staff in school.

Inclusion Specialist Teacher

Due to the recent restructure within Buckinghamshire Council's SEND team, the roles of some of the specialist teachers have changed. We will now have an 'Inclusion Specialist Teacher' who will be our port of call for many types of SEND. E.g- Autism support, Language support etc.

Back to School Transition

We know that coming back to school after 6 weeks off, or even starting school for the very first time, can be very daunting for the children. Some of our children need some additional support with this and it is normal for your child to be a bit anxious throughout this settling in period. If back to school anxiety continues past half term, please do make contact with us so we can see what support can be put into place. But remember to give your child a chance to find their feet first!

Reminder:

Don't forget there will be a coffee morning all about ADHD on Tuesday 6th October at 9am

Update:

Stella, our link Specialist Teacher for ASD will no longer be working with our school due to the restructure. We would like to thank Stella for all her hard work over the past six years at Bierton.

Bucks Mental Health Support Team



Mental Health Support Team
Buckinghamshire



FREE

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

LIVE WEBINARS

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

DATES: OCT – DEC 2025

TIME: 6PM – 7.30PM





To register, scan the QR codes on the next page!

01865 901566

bucksmhst@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk

*PLEASE NOTE: YOUR CHILD MUST ATTEND AN MHST SCHOOL FOR ACCESS TO THE WEBINARS. IF YOU ARE UNSURE, PLEASE CONTACT US.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO SECURE YOUR PLACE:

Topic	Date	Link	QR code
Overview of Mental health – Primary	Monday 20 th of October 2025	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/c250a6a6-2c15-4997-b099-407feae1ef4e@759ac89b-2aa4-4973-b048-e6903b46a8b6	
Overview of Mental health – Secondary	Monday 3 rd of November 2025	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/0d1c87a5-b3b5-4a9b-a4b2-dbbcbce77abf@759ac89b-2aa4-4973-b048-e6903b46a8b6	
Childhood Anxiety	Monday 17 th of November 2025	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/741a9c4f-0eb4-4a23-9694-def68b6eb3b5@759ac89b-2aa4-4973-b048-e6903b46a8b6	
Adolescent Anxiety	Monday 1 st of December 2025	https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/ffeb1299-da8c-44dc-8d3b-6ad980e5c729@759ac89b-2aa4-4973-b048-e6903b46a8b6	

Family Liaison Officer Update



**Park Play
Aylesbury**

Park Play is for everyone - children, teenagers, and adults! With a variety of fun activities for the whole family to enjoy, there's something for all ages. This Saturday, join us for a game of football, basketball or tag rugby.

Every Saturday Morning
10am - 12pm
Alfred Rose Park, Aylesbury
HP20 2DF

APE Activity Camps

The poster features a dark blue background with white line art of a castle, a person jumping, a soccer ball, a basketball hoop, and a football. A circular inset photo shows three people (two adults and one child) standing outdoors. The bottom has a yellow wavy border with red and blue stars and a blue bird icon.

**Free family
fun in
Aylesbury
on Saturday
mornings.**

Open to all



**JOIN US AT
ParkPlay**

Make friends, have fun, play more!

Alfred Rose - Aylesbury

Come and Play: Every Saturday - from 10am
Register today at park-play.com/register

Volunteer to help it happen: Find out more at park-play.com/playleaders

In partnership with:
APE Activity Camps  Buckinghamshire Council

#MeetMovePlay

The poster has a yellow top section and a green bottom section. It features a large photo of a diverse group of people (families) posing in a park with a 'Park Play' banner. The text is in bold, sans-serif fonts. The bottom right corner includes the hashtag #MeetMovePlay.

Family Liaison Officer Update



HOLIDAY CLUBS

PREMIER HOLIDAY CLUBS

more fun, more friendships, more smiles
DURING THE OCTOBER HALF-TERM!

SPORTS	ADVENTURE	ENRICHMENT
HOCKEY	ARCHERY	CRAFTS
FOOTBALL	FENCING	EDIBLE ART
BASKETBALL	NERF GAMES	YOGA
TAG-RUGBY	DEN BUILDING	DANCE
GYMNASTICS	GLOW DODGEBALL	KARAOKE

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October Half term Multi Activity Camps For ages 4+

YOUR NEAREST MULTI-ACTIVITY CAMP

ST JOSEPH'S INF,
AYLESBURY, HP21 7HF

DATES:
22nd & 23rd Oct
27th - 30th October

TIMES:
9:00 - 15:30
8:30 - 17:30

AGES:
4 - 12 years old

THE JOHN HAMPTON,
WENDOVER, HP22 6HF

DATES:
27th - 31st October

TIMES:
8:30 - 15:30
8:30 - 18:00

AGES:
4 - 7 years old

WENDOVER JNR,
WENDOVER, HP22 6HF

DATES:
27th - 31st October

TIMES:
8:30 - 15:30
8:30 - 18:00

AGES:
7 - 12 years old

All venues are Early Years registered and children aged 4 and in reception can attend.



Prices start from £35.10 a day!

Looking for something exciting this October half-term? Our multi-activity holiday clubs are packed with fun, energy, and variety for children of all ages!

Each day brings something new – from archery and fencing to dodgeball, cricket, and loads more. With a mix of sports, team games, and seasonal crafts, there's never a dull moment.

Book now for an unforgettable half-term!

CAMPS ARE BETTER WITH FRIENDS!

 **TREAT YOUR FRIENDS TO 20% OFF...AND GET 20% OFF TOO!**

*T&Cs apply. Refer a friend discount on new bookings only.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT BIERTON

Christian Value of the half-term

This half-term we have been focusing on: **RESPONSIBILITY**



We asked the children some ways in which they can show **RESPONSIBILITY** at Bierton. Here are some answers across the year groups:

- Taking **RESPONSIBILITY** for our actions
- Taking care of myself and others
- Looking after our property and school property
- Taking care of the world

Prayer from Charlie H in year 5:

Dear God, thank-you for helping us to be responsible for all of our things and thank you for all of our things. Help us to care for the world and other people – Amen.

Our friend Graham from Bridge the Gap came in to do a special assembly on responsibility and how this contributes to us letting our light shine and showing others who we really are.



St James the Great Church, Bierton

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Harvest Festival

Sunday 5th October at 10.00 am



Donations for Aylesbury Foodbank
will be most welcome



Please come and join us in worship



Many of us see our online lives and offline lives as different.

Online Safety

LEGO® Build & Talk



Talking regularly with your child can help keep them safe online. Making it part of daily conversation, like you would about their day at school, will help your child feel relaxed. It also means when they do have any worries, they're more likely to come and speak to you.

Parental controls

Parental controls allow you to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. They work across your WiFi, phone network, individual apps and devices.

Parental controls can help you to: plan what time of day your child can go online and how long for create content filters to block apps that may have [inappropriate content](#) manage the content different family members can see.

The NSPCC website has lots of advice on setting up parental controls on different devices, apps and search engines.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

But for children growing up with technology and the internet, there isn't a difference - online life and offline life is just life. Technology can move at an extraordinarily fast pace. So, it can be difficult to know how to start talking to your child about what they're doing online, who they might be speaking to or discussing the potential risks and issues. The NSPCC have teamed up with LEGO group to bring build and talk activities to families across the UK. These activities make learning about online safety fun and hands on. Click the lego link to get started!

READING



The importance of reading

Reading is such an important skill for a child to develop early in their lives. This is because it feeds into all other areas of their learning.

Reading a book helps to build relationships and develop a bond with the person you share the story with.

It increases communication skills by interpreting the words and actions of the characters.

It increases their attention span and helps them to focus.

Reading allows us to experience new things.

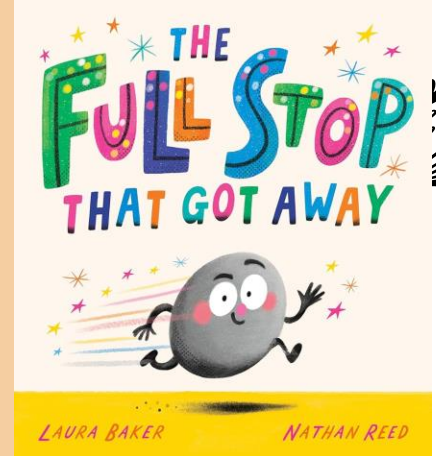


The Day My School Got Famous – Jen Carney (9+)

A funny heartfelt story, about family, friendship and unexpected chaos- featuring explosive surprises, mischievous antics and unstoppable creativity. Packed with comic strips, laughter and a big heart.

The Full Stop That Got Away – Laura Baker and (3+)

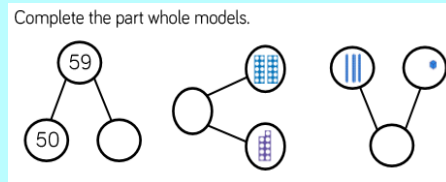
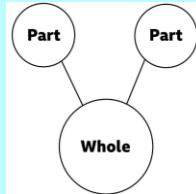
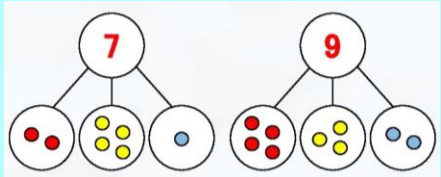
A funny picture book about punctuation? Surely that'll never work? It does and it's brilliant. Super to read aloud as we see what happens when a flamboyant dragon decides to mix up Frank's story with different punctuation.



Maths at Bierton

Representations: The Part-Whole Model (The Cherry Model) Representations are crucial in a maths lesson to expose the mathematical structure and to support the context of the learning. Over time, children should progress to using the abstract without the representation. This is when the maths seems easy!

The part-whole model is a representation used to show how parts are combined to make the whole. You can use numbers, counters, objects or even pictures to show the part-whole representation.



Fun Fact!

A typical football is constructed from pentagons and hexagons; it contains 12 pentagons and 20 Hexagons.



Famous Mathematicians: Florence Nightingale

"I attribute my success to this: I never gave or took any excuse."

Florence Nightingale is famous for contributions to nursing during the Crimean War but she also used her mathematical and statistical knowledge to advise the British Army and government. She helped them develop the best approaches for collecting and managing medical data collection and as a result helped to care and save more people. She was an innovator in the collection, tabulation, interpretation and graphical display of descriptive statistics.



Helping your child at home: Games

A fantastic way for children to practise their fact fluency is through games! You can adapt traditional games, such as Snakes and Ladders, Connect 4 and Jenga, by incorporating maths questions. For example, in order for children to move up the ladder in Snakes and Ladders, they must solve a mathematical question (e.g. number bonds / times tables).



Inclusion Week - September 2025

We had lots of fun learning about inclusion during our first few weeks back at school. Our learning was based on 'After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty got back up again' by Dan Santat and we discussed ways we can be resilient. It was also lovely to have different visitors in school: Electric Umbrella, Guide Dogs, Bart Gee and A1 MultiSport.

