



Bridgetown Primary School

Ready, Respectful, Safe

18 September 2026

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already a few weeks into the new school year! We are incredibly proud of how quickly pupils have continued to settle into school life and of the positive attitude they have shown each day.

We have already had a wonderfully busy start to the year, including a fantastic Year 5 Space Day, an exciting author visit for our Key Stage 2 pupils, which included an assembly and engaging workshops, and an unannounced food hygiene inspection of our school kitchen. Please see the details of all these on the following pages.

One aspect of school life that we are particularly delighted with is our

Communication Focus, as part of our Dimensions curriculum. Each week, we are learning a new greeting from a different language. Last week, we learnt a greeting in Polish (Czesc), and this week we have been learning Romanian for hello (Buna).

Please keep an eye out for the blackboards at the school gates, where you will find our greeting of the week. We would love for you to join in with this lovely initiative and have a go at greeting one another in a different language!



Best wishes,

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Headteacher



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News

A Huge Well Done to the Catering Team!

Following an unannounced food hygiene inspection last Monday, the catering team successfully retained their 5-star hygiene rating, an outstanding result that reflects the high standards, hard work and attention to detail that goes on behind the scenes every single day. Congratulations to every member of the catering team for your commitment and teamwork. You should all be incredibly proud of this achievement. 5 stars are very well deserved!



Data Collection Sheet and New Photo Permission form

Your child's Data Collection Sheet was sent home this week. Can you please check that ALL the information is correct, complete any missing details and any amendments and return it to school.

Also, we have updated our Photo Permissions Form. Can you please complete and return this to the school office at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Space Day

Year 5 had a fantastic time during their space-themed topic day. The children particularly enjoyed designing and racing their aeroplanes and launching their rockets to see how far they could travel! It was wonderful to see everyone working together, sharing ideas and becoming fully involved in the activities. The children have shown real excitement and curiosity as they have begun exploring their new space topic. They have already asked some fascinating questions and cannot wait to discover more about our solar system and the wider universe.



Class News

Keep up-to-date with all great things going on in classes, by checking-in on the Class Pages section of our website. Here you will find key information, knowledge organisers and photos of recent learning experiences. <https://www.bridgetown.warwickshire.sch.uk/class-pages/>



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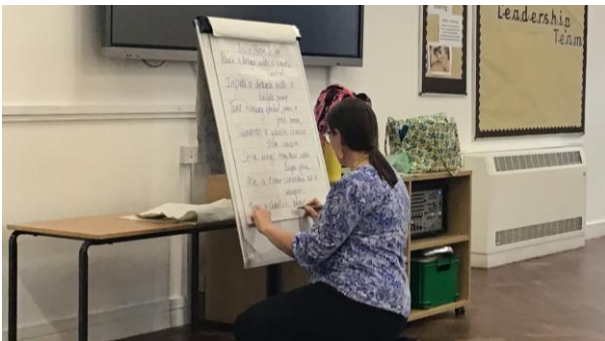


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A Fantastic Day of Poetry with Attie Lime

We were delighted to welcome children's poet and author Attie Lime to Bridgetown Primary on Thursday 10 September for a wonderful day celebrating reading, poetry and imagination. Following a terrific assembly, children across Key Stage 2 took part in workshops with Attie throughout the day. Years 3 and 4 explored Attie's wonderfully imaginative poem *Beans*, before contributing their own ideas to create collaborative poems. Years 5 and 6 worked with *Reading is my Superpower*, exploring the extraordinary places books can take us and the people we can become when we lose ourselves in reading.

Our Reading Champions also had the special opportunity to spend time talking with Attie over lunch and learning more about life as an author and poet. The day finished with a book sale and signing, where children had the opportunity to take home Attie's books, including her newest poetry collection, *Poems on Toast*. A huge thank you to Attie for giving our children such an engaging and memorable experience. It was wonderful to see so much creativity, laughter and enthusiasm for poetry throughout the school. The visit marks an exciting start to our reading-for-pleasure work this year, as we continue developing a love of books and reading in school.



Curriculum Conversations

Talk Together at Home

One of the best ways to help children remember and deepen their learning is simply to talk about it. Research shows that when children explain their thinking, retrieve what they have learned and discuss different viewpoints, their understanding becomes stronger and longer lasting. This fortnight, try these conversation starters at home. They are designed to help children **remember, explain** and **think like an expert**.



Can you remember...?

Can you explain...?



What do you think...?



Personal Development

Simple conversations to help your child grow into a confident, kind and safe individual.

Reception



How are you the same as your friends?

Why is everyone different?



What makes you special?



What makes someone a kind friend?

How do we know if someone wants space?

What could you do if someone was feeling left out?

Year 1



Can you tell me about another fairy tale?

What lesson did your story teach?



Would you change the ending?
Why?



Why is it important to be kind, even when people are different?

What should you do if someone is being unkind?

How do kind words change someone's day?

Year 2



What have you learned about inventors?

How has technology changed communication?



What would your life be like if we didn't have phones?



Why is important that we don't share everything on the internet?

Why shouldn't we talk to strangers online?

What would you do if you saw a friend doing something unsafe online?

Curriculum Conversations (cont.)



How are comics different to other books?

How can pictures tell a story? 



Which tells stories best, words or pictures?

Year 3



What is cyberbullying?

How is it different from bullying face to face?

What should you do if you see someone being bullied online?



How does information travel online?

Why is online safety important? 



What online safety rule would you create?

Year 4



What are the signs that a website might not be trustworthy?

Why should we think carefully before clicking links?

What would you do if something online didn't seem right?



What have you learned about space?

Why do astronauts need special equipment? 



Would you like to live in space? Why?

Year 5



Why do people sometimes post things online that aren't true?

How can we check whether information is reliable?

Why is it important not to trust all things you read online?



What makes a strong code or password?

Why is online privacy important? 



Should everyone have the right to privacy?

Year 6



Why is privacy important online?

What are digital footprints?

How could something posted online today affect the future?

School Awards

Well done to the following pupils who have received awards in Achievement Assemblies...

Week beginning: 7 September 2026

Year 1: Sophie and Arthur

Year 2: Charlotte and Zach

Year 3: Alex and Jayden

Year 4: Eliza and Oliver

Year 5: Delilah and Florence

Year 6: Tatiana and Harrison

Values Champions: Amelia, Harry and Bruno

Best Attendance for two weeks ago: Starlings, Wrens and Owls Classes with **100%**



Week beginning: 14 September 2026

Year 1: Hal and Oliver

Year 2: Amelia and Khushi

Year 3: Molly and Albie

Year 4: ?Sapphire-Rose and Nazia

Year 5: Lilah and Lucas

Year 6: Kyra and Connor

Values Champions: Gabriel and Ellis

Best Attendance for last week: Sparrows and Starlings Classes with **100%**



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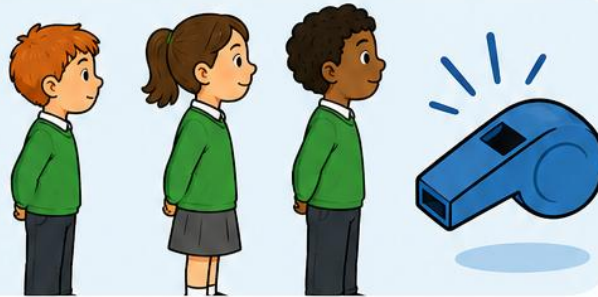


Behaviour in the Lunch Hall!



1

Line up when the whistle blows for your class's lunch.



2

Wait in the queue with your hands behind your back.

Say **thank you** to the school cooks.

Thank you!
♥



3

Put your hand up when you want to leave your seat.



4

Carefully, empty your food into the bin using your fork.

Do not bang your tray or drop food on the floor.
Stack your trays neatly.



Ready



Respectful



Safe

Together we are Ready, Respectful and Safe.



Holding doors open and saying **good morning** or **good afternoon!**



1

Hold the door
open for
anyone coming
in after you.

Put your
thumbs up to
say thank you.



2

Say **good morning** when
you come through
the gate in the
morning and to
adults around
school.



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Key Dates 2026-27

Autumn Term 1

Sunday 20 September 2026	FOBS Dragon Boat Race
Monday 21 September 2026	PLT applications in by 9am (Year 6 pupils)
Monday 21 September 2026	FGB meeting 6pm
Tuesday 22 September 2026	Flu immunisations – whole school
Tuesday 6 October 2026	National Child Measurement Programme – Rec/Y6
Wednesday 7 October 2026	Reception Curriculum Information evening 6pm
12-16 October 2026	SEN Support Plan Meetings
Wednesday 14 October 2026	Parent Forum: Key Priorities for the year 6pm
Thursday 15 October 2026	Year 4 Class Assembly 9.15am
Friday 16 October 2026	FOBS Disco
Tuesday 20 October 2026	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 21 October 2026	Individual / sibling photographs
Thursday 22 October 2026	Parents' Evening
Friday 23 October 2026	INSET day
26-30 October 2026	HALF TERM BREAK (inc FOBS Scarecrow Trail)

Autumn Term 2

Monday 2 November 2026	Children return to school
Friday 6 November 2026	Open Morning for Prospective Parents 9.15-11.30am
Monday 9 November 2026	OPAL event for parents 1.30pm
Sunday 14 November 2026	Remembrance Sunday Parade (PLT)
Friday 20 November 2026	FOBS Christmas Quiz Night
23-27 November 2026	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 23 November 2026	FGB meeting 6pm
Tuesday 24 November 2026	Maths Parent Open Afternoon
Monday 30 November 2026	Rocksteady Concert (Monday bands) 2.30pm
Friday 4 December 2026	Rocksteady Concert (Friday bands) 10.30am
Friday 4 December 2026	FOBS Christmas Fayre
Monday 7 December 2026	Year 1 Nativity 2pm
Tuesday 8 December 2026	Reception Nativity Song Concert 2pm
Wednesday 9 December 2026	Year 2 Christingle at Holy Trinity Church 5.30pm
Friday 11 December 2026	Clubs end
Monday 14 December 2026	KS2 Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church 6pm
Tuesday 15 December 2026	Christmas Lunch and Class Parties
Friday 18 December 2026	Break up for Christmas Holidays at 1.30pm

Key Dates 2026-27

Spring Term 1

Monday 4 January 2027	INSET day
Tuesday 5 January 2027	Children return to school
Monday 11 January 2027	Clubs begin
Wednesday 20 January 2027	Year 6 Residential meeting 6pm
25-29 January 2027	Careers Week
Monday 25 January 2027	FGB meeting 6pm
Thursday 28 January 2027	Reception Class Assembly 9.15am
Thursday 4 February 2027	English Parent Open Afternoon
Friday 5 February 2027	FOBS Panto – evening
Saturday 6 February 2027	FOBS Panto – afternoon and evening
Tuesday 9 February 2027	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 10 February 2027	Parent Forum
Thursday 11 February 2027	Year 5 Class Assembly 9.15am
15-19 February 2027	HALF TERM BREAK

Spring Term 2

Monday 22 February 2027	Children return to school
22-26 February 2027	SEN Support Plan Meetings this week
Wednesday 3 March 2027	Year 6 SATs information evening
Friday 5 March 2027	World Book Day
15-19 March 2027	Year 6 Residential to Arête
Thursday 18 March 2027	Year 1 Class Assembly 9.15am
Friday 19 March 2027	Red Nose Day
Friday 19 March 2027	Clubs end
Monday 22 March 2027	FGB meeting 6pm
Tuesday 23 March 2027	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 24 March 2027	Parents' Evening
Thursday 25 March 2027	Year 2 Class Assembly 9.15am
Thursday 25 March 2027	FOBS Fundraising Finale event
Thursday 25 March 2027	Break up for Easter Holidays

Key Dates 2026-27

Summer Term 1

Monday 12 April 2027	Return to school
Monday 12 April 2027	Annual Stakeholder Surveys this week
Monday 19 April 2027	Clubs begin
Friday 23 April 2027	FOBS Disco
Saturday 24 April 2027	Shakespeare's birthday parade (PLT)
Monday 3 May 2027	May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
Wednesday 5 May 2027	Parent Forum 6pm
Thursday 6 May 2027	Year 3 Class Assembly 9.15am
10-13 May 2027	KS2 SATs Week
Friday 14 May 2027	FOBS Bake Sale after school
Friday 21 May 2027	Dimensions Parent Open Afternoon
Monday 24 May 2027	FGB meeting 6pm
Thursday 27 May 2027	Year 6 Class Assembly 9.15am
Friday 28 May 2028	FOBS Colour Run after school
31 May - 4 June 2027	HALF TERM BREAK

Summer Term 2

Monday 7 June 2027	INSET day
Tuesday 8 June 2027	Return to school
Wednesday 9 June 2027	Class Photos
14-18 June 2027	Year 4 Multiplication Checks
14-18 June 2027	Year 1 (and Year 2 resits) Phonics Screening Checks
Wednesday 16 June 2027	Reception Generation Day picnic 2pm
Friday 18 June 2027	Sports Days 1 st choice
Friday 25 June 2027	Sports Days 2 nd choice (in case of inclement weather)
Wednesday 30 June 2027	Forum - Transition (KS1 3.30pm / KS2 4.30pm / Rec 6pm)
Thursday 1 July 2027	Summer Music Concert 3.30pm
Friday 2 July 2027	Clubs end
Wednesday 7 July 2027	Transition Morning, Warwickshire secondary induction day
Thursday 8 July 2027	Helpers' Tea Party 2.30pm
Friday 9 July 2027	FOBS Summer Fayre 6pm-8pm
Monday 12 July 2027	FGB meeting 6pm
Tuesday 13 July 2027	Annual Reports published
Wednesday 14 July 2027	Year 6 Production 1.30pm
Thursday 15 July 2027	Year 6 Production 9.20am
Monday 19 July 2027	Staff vs Year 6 Rounders Match 3.30pm
Tuesday 20 July 2027	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.15am
Tuesday 20 July 2027	Whole School Assembly 11am
Tuesday 20 July 2027	Break up for summer holidays 1.30pm



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Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Is your child due to start school in September 2027?
If so, please come along to our Open Morning on **Friday 6th November** between **9.15am and 11.30am**. Please contact the school to book your appointment time.



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