



# BUDBROOKE PRESS

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Dear Parents,

It has been another week full of engaging activities and new experiences! I have been inundated with examples of fantastic learning and it has been lovely to speak to so many pupils about all that they have achieved this week.

The school has been full of the tuneful voices as we are heading towards the production of the Twinkly Nativity and the Christmas Carol concert at the church. A huge thank you to all parents that have support this by learning lines and providing costumes.

Please make sure that you check the diary dates to ensure that you do not miss out on all the wonderful things that we will be doing to celebrate the festive season.

I hope to see you all at the Christmas Fayre, thank you all in advance for your support, we really do appreciate it.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Hopkins

Deputy Headteacher

### SCHOOL VALUES REWARDS WINNERS

Consideration: Chloe W- Holly

Challenge: Josh - Holly

Collaboration: Freddy- Cherry

Confidence: Ella - Cherry

Curiosity: Isabella- Beech



### GOLDEN BOOK

Pine- Lexi

Elm- Esme

Beech- Freddy

Holly- Matilda and Mia-Rose

Chestnut- Lily P

Redwood- Jessica

Cherry- Lainey



### MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK

Pine- Una

Elm- Maverick

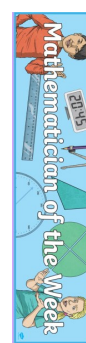
Beech- Amaya

Holly- Isabelle

Chestnut- Luca

Redwood- Billy

Cherry- Lois



### Pupil Voice- What is R.E like at Budbrooke?

- 👏 It's not just writing facts, it's exploring other cultures and making things from those cultures like Diya lamps.
- 👏 RE teaches us it's ok to be you, and to be respectful of people who have different religions, different cultures and different opinions.
- 👏 I find the lessons very calming because we have time to think about life.
- 👏 It is interesting to talk about what we think in the class group.
- 👏 It is intriguing because you get to see and hear how other people live their lives and what they believe in.
- 👏 I enjoy comparing all the different religions - it is interesting to see what's the same and what's different.
- 👏 It helps us think about our own beliefs.

**CLASS MESSAGES:** Any class messages or updates will now feature here on the newsletter each week. This is to support any important communications from the teachers being missed in additional emails.

<b>Whole School</b>	On the 14th December at 9am and 2.20pm, the whole school are going to watch the Year 5/6 Christmas Carol Service. We are looking for 2 volunteers for each class to help us walk down to the church. If you would like to volunteer please let the office know.
<b>Year 5 and 6</b>	Year 5 and 6 performing a Carol service at St Michael's Church on the <b>14th of December. Year 5's service will start at 9.30. Year 6's service will start at 1.45.</b> Parents of Year 5/6 are welcome to join and watch. We would be very thankful if any parents would be happy to volunteer to help the children walk to and from the Church. Please contact the office if you are interested in volunteering. We believe the service will be approximately 45 minutes.
<b>Year 3</b>	Next Friday, Holly class is celebrating New Year's Eve eating "The Twelve Lucky Grapes" to ensure good luck for the next year. This is a Spanish tradition that consists of eating a grape, and making a wish. Each grape and clock bell strike represent each of the coming twelve months. Please, could you support this immersive learning experience by sending a named Tupperware with twelve grapes (cut in half) on Friday 15th December. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Del-Rio

KEEP UP TO DATE Scan the QR Code to follow us on FACEBOOK to see our This Week in Pictures video and regular updates!





## A student leadership message from the Maintenance Masters

We have been very busy this term working on the areas in the school where we can make a difference. We have noticed the cloakrooms are very busy areas in our school and we focus our attention on making sure everything is hanging up and nothing is left on the floor. We are encouraging our classmates to be more thoughtful about how they use these areas too, we are making posters for our classrooms to encourage everyone to keep our working spaces tidy. We have also enjoyed talking to lots of visitors on our Open Days about our role in school.

The Maintenance Masters: William, Hettie, Violet, Harvey, Jenson, Harry, Adyaa, Nicole, Ellis

## School Calendar

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 12th December- Reception Class Nativity- 9.30am
- 14th December- Year 5 and 6 Church Carol Service
- 15th December- PTA Pantomime- Cinderella
- 18th December- Year 6 Music Lessons (catch up)
- 19th December- Year 3 History Workshop
- 21st December- Christmas Festivities Day**
- 21st December- Christmas Jumper Day**
- 21st December- Christmas Lunch**
- 22nd December- Break Up for Christmas
- 8th January- INSET Day
- 9th January- Return to School
- 19th January- Music Lessons restart
- 30th January- Speed Stacking County Final
- 31st January- Year 5 & 6 Cross Country at Kingsley Fields
- 9th February- Break up for Half-Term
- 19th February- Return to school
- 19th February- Reception Measurements (NHS)
- 19th February- Year 6 Measurements and Health needs assessment (NHS)



## Beech Class Spotlight

Remarkable Recipes- This week, Beech Class had a fantastic time practising their chopping and peeling skills to make a winter casserole. The children planned the meal and prepared their own ingredients. They even tasted and evaluated their meal against the design criteria. The children had so much fun that they can't wait to do more cooking!



## A message from Kids Club

Hello everyone! Things are getting exciting now with Christmas coming soon! We have been busy making penguins, igloos and Innuits for our 'Penguins Paradise' display. We have started Christmas Crafts and the children are having fun decorating (and un-decorating) the tree! We are still collecting milk bottles for our igloo, so any decorations or clean bottles with lids will be gratefully received.



## Thursday 21st December

Christmas Festivities Day, Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch!

**A gentle reminder** to please book Christmas Lunch via Parent Pay by Monday 11th December,

thank you.



## Christmas Cards

Our annual Christmas card post box has reopened!

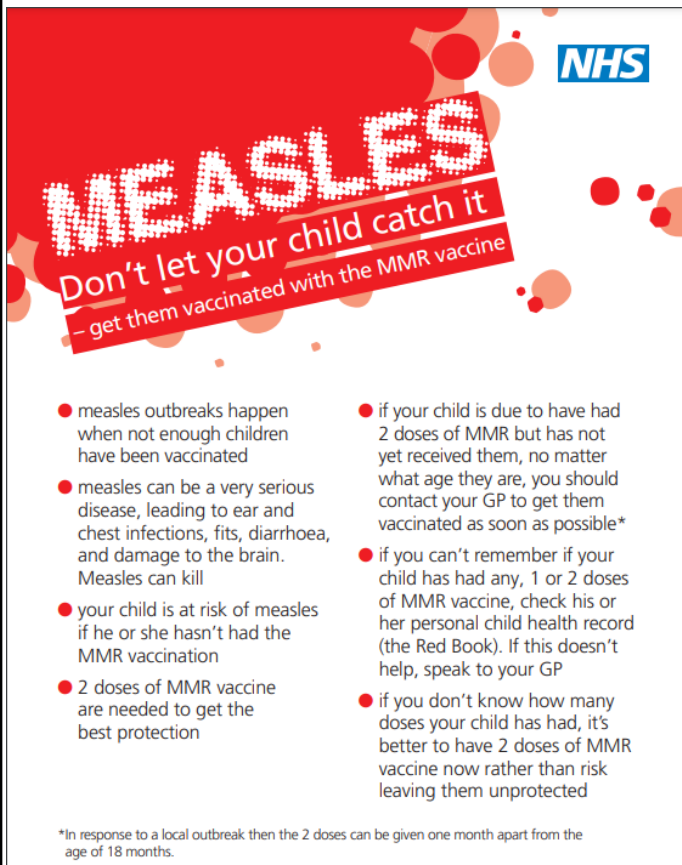
Here your children are able to send cards to their peers by posting them in this post box to be distributed each week in time for Christmas. The post box can be located outside Mrs Thomas's office/ Beech classroom. Please ensure cards are clearly named and include the class or year group.

Merry Christmas!



## URGENT: Measles cases in the West Midlands

You may be aware that there have been confirmed measles cases in Birmingham, Solihull and Coventry. Currently Warwickshire has no confirmed cases, however please be vigilant for the signs, symptoms and be aware of what to do if someone is symptomatic <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>



**NHS**

## MEASLES

**Don't let your child catch it**  
- get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

- measles outbreaks happen when not enough children have been vaccinated
- measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill
- your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination
- 2 doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection
- if your child is due to have had 2 doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible\*
- if you can't remember if your child has had any, 1 or 2 doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP
- if you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have 2 doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected

\*In response to a local outbreak then the 2 doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.

## Answers to some common questions about measles and the MMR vaccine

### Why are we seeing these outbreaks of measles?

Measles is a highly infectious disease, spreading quickly from person to person, especially in schools. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they have contact with. Since the end of 2017 there has been an increase in measles globally which has affected the UK. This has resulted in some spread into wider communities, in particular in undervaccinated groups.

### When are the MMR vaccinations usually given?

The best times are between 12 and 13 months of age and again at 3 years and 4 months, with one dose on each occasion. But, if your child wasn't vaccinated then, they can be vaccinated at any age with 2 doses one month apart.

### Will there be any side effects to the vaccination?

Your child may get the symptoms of measles, mumps and rubella for up to 6 weeks after the vaccination but in a very much milder form. This proves that the vaccine is working and your child is building up resistance to future contact with the viruses that cause the 3 diseases. Not all children show these symptoms but that doesn't mean the vaccine isn't working.

### Should parents in outbreak areas get vaccinated against measles?

As with many diseases, once you have had measles, you don't catch it again because you have built up a natural resistance to it. So, if you've had measles or 2 doses of MMR vaccine you do not need to get vaccinated now.

For more information about measles and MMR go to [www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/)

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## Warwickshire County Council Online Safety Hub

Visit <https://warwickshire.onlinesafetyhub.uk/> for some very useful Parent Information/Advice regarding Online Safety.

Topics include social media platforms including Snapchat, BeReal and TikTok, 'hot topics' such as body image and online validation, self-diagnosing mental health issues using social media, screen routines, starting out on social media, online bullying, gaming, sexting and much more. There is a whole section dedicated to 'I need Help' which covers dealing with issues, reporting incidents and counselling & support.

## Medically Identified Special Diets Request and Religious and Dietary Preferences

We kindly request that if your child has any dietary requirements, to please contact the school office to receive and complete a Dietary Form. These forms are supplied to the kitchen and kept on file to ensure dietary requirements are met and to keep your child safe at all times.

Thank you



## Warwickshire County Council is consulting on its Admission Arrangements, Coordinated Scheme and In Year Admissions Process for 2025-2026.

For further information please follow the link:

[School Admission Arrangements 2025/26 - Warwickshire County Council - Citizen Space](#)

The consultation period began today and finishes on Wednesday 31 January 2024.



## Aylesford (0)1 Budbrooke (0)0

Budbrooke FC showed great fight and determination but were narrowly defeated in a game where defences were on top.

In the first half, Aylesford started on the front foot. The ball was bouncing higher and rolling quicker on the astro pitch surface and Edward and Sonny needed to be alert to clear the ball to stop the Aylesford attacks.

Budbrooke FC grew in confidence and after some neat passing from Finley and Jack, Henry was able to get a quick shot away that just went wide. Budbrooke were also having success down the right hand side with Eli and Ben playing some nice triangle passes to get the ball down the pitch but the strong Aylesford defenders were proving difficult to get passed.

With Aylesford looking to bring the ball forward, it took some strong tackles from Ben, Finley and Jack who disposed the tall midfielders by standing up strong and not diving in too early. Sonny continued to make some excellent blocks to stop the shots and Teddy made some confident saves as the first half ended 0-0.

In the second half, Budbrooke were playing the ball out of defence nicely. A Teddy goal kick found Eli galloping up field as Budbrooke looked to create more chances. Aylesford then played a ball through to the attacker who turned brilliantly and his shot found the bottom corner of the net in off the post to score the first goal.

Budbrooke continued to look for a way back into the game. Edward found Jack who played a ball to Henry on the half way line. Henry then powered forward and with great control unleashed a shot on goal only for the defender to make an excellent last ditch block.

Jack then set himself up for a chance by playing a few Matthew Le-Tissier style keepie-uppies before volley to the far post. Sonny also got onto the end of a great cross from Arthur and aimed a header that would have gone in if the goals were bigger.

As the game was coming to an end, Teddy made a series of great saves with his dragon hands goalkeeper gloves to keep Budbrooke in the game. Budbrooke kept trying and showed great resilience but just could not find that equalising goal as the entertaining match finished 1-0 to Aylesford.

Budbrooke FC: Teddy, Sonny, Edward, Eli, Ben, Finley, Arthur, Jack, Henry.

Mr Brereton said: "Well done the team. It was a very close game and Budbrooke showed great reliance and belief to continue to try and score. They played football the right way and passed the ball around very confidently and tackled well against a strong Aylesford team. Thank you to all the people who helped with transport and came to cheer the team on. It was a great atmosphere!"

