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Newsletter 7.

Dear Families,

Here we are already, at the end of a first term. What a busy term it has been! Thank you to everyone who has supported our events, our Books and Brekkie, our coffee afternoon, our harvest trip to Church and our parent workshops. The children have also enjoyed the Rock Steady workshop and a very active session with Amy Smith, the Olympic Swimmer. We hope you've enjoyed seeing the images of these on our Facebook page "Langwith Bassett Primary Academy." The half term will be finishing off with our fabulous Halloween Disco during the afternoon of Friday 24th October. Thanks to our PTA for your help and support with this.



We understand that some parents are confused as to the arrangements surrounding party clothes at Halloween and why arrangements are different for Key stage 1 and 2 children. This is a decision based on what is age appropriate for our pupils within a normal academy working day. While we absolutely understand the sentiment, we need to consider the working environment in Key Stage 2. As the children grow older, we place increasing emphasis on fostering independence, maturity, and a focused learning atmosphere. Their curriculum is more structured and academically demanding, and we aim to maintain consistency in routines to support their development. Some dress up days such as World book day are different as they are a day where the children enjoy a full day of learning activities around a particular theme and a full dress up day is appropriate, whereas this is an additional extra-curricular activity taking place for just part of the afternoon. There will be plenty of fun to be had in the afternoon and we look forward to sharing pictures of our Halloween Fun with you via Facebook.

Staffing News

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After a busy week of interviewing we are delighted to share with you that we have appointed Cara Harrison, an enthusiastic and experienced class teacher for year 1 and 2. She is due to join us in January 2026 but we are liaising with her current school in the hope that she may be able to be released from her contract and join us earlier. She is eager to visit as soon as she can in preparation for her new post and to meet all the pupils and parents. I will share information regarding this as soon as we have a date.

We are delighted that we have also secured two new teaching assistants to join our team, Jessi Bestwick and Molly Harbon. We are very excited that they are joining us and can't wait for them to start following their current notice period.

Our love and best wishes go to Miss Robbins who was hoping to stay a little longer before beginning her maternity leave but she needed to bring that forward to earlier this week. We can't wait to hear that baby is here and to meet the new arrival.

Breakfast Club

Thank you to everyone who responded to our Breakfast club consultation. The support for the proposed changes to breakfast club was overwhelming.



From Monday 3rd November Breakfast club will open at 7.50 with bagels, toast, cereals and fruit on offer every day. Once a week there will be a variety of other pastries on offer such a crumpets, mini pancakes and croissants.

Dilute juice, milk and water will also be available. A range of activities will be provided and children may use this time as a chance to complete homework too if this is supportive for families. There will be a charge of £3 per session. Parent voice through the consultation suggested and supported this as a fair charge for the additional choice and time offered. If you already access Breakfast club, please continue to book a place for your child in the usual way. If you would like a new place for your child at breakfast club, please contact the Academy office.

Flu Immunisation

A reminder that immunisations against seasonal flu via the administration of a nasal spray, take place on Tuesday 4th November. The permission slip for this is via parent pay. If you wish your child to receive the nasal spray, please ensure this permission slip is completed as soon as possible.

Next Term

A reminder of the key dates planned for next half term. Details of each event will be shared nearer the time.

Monday 3 rd November	School Starts	
Tuesday 4 th November	Flu Immunisations	Please complete the permission slip on parent pay as soon as possible

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Week beg 10 th November	Anti bullying week	Activities around this theme will be taking place all week.
Tuesday 11 th November	Parent consultation evening 3.20 – 6pm	Google forms to sign up for appointments will be available 3 rd November
Wednesday 12 th November	Parent consultation evening 3.20 – 5pm	Google forms to sign up for appointments will be available 3 rd November
Tuesday 18 th November	Books and Brekkie 8.30 am	Parents and carers welcome
Friday 21 st November	Children in Need Day	SPOTacular appeal. Dress up in Spots and bring £1 for a day of themed activities
Friday 28 th November	INSET Day	
Date TBA with the catering company	Christmas Dinner day	Christmas jumpers at the ready!
Monday 8 th December	KS1 Christmas performance 2pm	Parents and carers welcome Tickets available from mid November
Tuesday 9 th December	KS1 Christmas performance 9am	Parents and carers welcome Tickets available from mid November
Thursday 11 th December	Official Christmas Jumper day	Wear your Christmas jumper and bring £1 for Save the Children
Wednesday 17 th December	Ukulele Concert pm Time to be confirmed	Parents and carers welcome
Thursday 18 th December	KS2 Christmas visit to Church 2.15pm	Parents and carers welcome
Friday 19 th December	Carols Around the Christmas Tree 1pm	Parents and carers welcome Feel free to wear your Christmas jumper once again!
Friday 19 th December	School Finishes at 1.30pm	

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break and look forward to seeing you all on November 3rd for our next half term full of Christmas activities

Many thanks as always for your support. It is very much appreciated.

Mrs. Sarah Bacon.

Term dates 2025-2026 8 th September – 24 th October 3 rd November – 19 th December 5 th January – 13 th February 23 rd February – 27 th March	INSET days 4 th and 5 th of September 2025 28 th November 2026 20 th March 2026 19th June 2026
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13 th April – 22 nd May 1 st June – 23 rd July	(This is the correct date. I am sorry for the previous typing error)
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