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BREAK for HALF TERM HOLIDAY - Friday 24th October 2025
RETURN TO SCHOOL - Monday 3rd November

Hope Journey - Remembrance Year 6 - Wednesday 5th November am

Remembrance Service at Bunbury Aldersey (all are welcome to attend) - 10.45am Friday 7th November

SENSE Days - Friday 7th, Friday 14th and Friday 21st November

Reception starters 2026 Open Day - Wednesday 12th November

FOB wreath making 26th November 6-8pm

HOPE Christmas Journey - Year 2 Wednesday 3rd December am

Christmas Jumper Day - Save the children Friday 5th December

Friends of Bunbury Christmas Fair 3.15pm Friday 5th December

KS1 Nativity Dress rehearsal - Monday 8th December

KS1 Christmas Nativity (all are welcome to attend) - Wed 10th/ Thurs 11th/ Fri 12th December

FOB Christmas film night Wednesday 10th December

KS2 Carol Concert - Tuesday 16th December 6pm St Boniface Church

Story house Christmas Theatre Visit whole school - Wednesday 17th December

Christmas Parties- Thursday 18th December

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven"
Matthew. 5:16

Dear Parents and carers

What a fantastic first week we have had back in school. I hope you all had a fantastic holiday with family and friends and are well rested ready for the term ahead. It is always a busy one as we move closer to Christmas in school.

This week:

On Wednesday 5th November our year 6 pupils embarked on a deeply moving and educational visit to Kelsall Methodist Chapel to take part in the Remembrance Hope Journey. Run by volunteers, this special event offered our children a unique opportunity to connect with the past, reflect on the sacrifices made during wartime, and understand the importance of remembrance in our community.

One of the most poignant moments of the visit was a conversation with a local resident who was just 8 years old when the second world war broke out. She spoke with warmth and clarity about her childhood experiences. The children listened intently as she described the arrival of evacuees to Kelsall.

The week culminated in a moving Service of Remembrance on Friday 7th November, where we were

honoured to welcome representatives from the Royal British Legion, Rev Tim as well as parents and carers.

Our Year 6 pupils read poems and the roll of honour was shared with great reverence. The children marked the two minute silence with exemplary behaviour, showing deep respect and maturity throughout the whole service.



Friday 14th November

There are a couple of events taking place in school on Friday 14th November that we'd like to draw your attention to.

Firstly, we will be supporting Children in Need. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes, and we kindly ask for a small donation of your choice to support this wonderful charity. We understand that this is an expensive time of year, so please feel free to donate whatever you feel comfortable with—every contribution is appreciated.

Secondly, we have a school disco organised by Friends Of Bunbury taking place that evening:

The cost of the disco will be £4 per child



Ks1 3.15-4.15pm

followed by

Ks2 4.30-5.30pm

To book your child's place please complete payment and give permission for them to attend via School Money by Wednesday 12th November.

EYFS and KS1 children will go straight into the disco from school, so they are welcome to wear their disco clothes during the day. Alternatively, as it is a glow disco, they may wear a white t-shirt under their jumper, which can be revealed later. This helps avoid the need for changing at school and reduces the risk of clothing being misplaced.

KS2 children will be going home between school and the disco, so they do not need to wear disco outfits during the school day just own clothes of their choice.

Please collect all children from the front of the school when their disco finishes. Children will only be handed over once parents/carers are identified.

Curriculum

You may have seen recent news about changes to the national curriculum. These will not come into effect until Spring 2027, with full implementation from September 2028. One of the key shifts is a renewed focus on the fundamentals in the early years—particularly in EYFS and Key Stage 1. Core areas such as reading, transcription (handwriting) and early mathematics will be central to building strong foundations for learning. At Bunbury, we are already taking proactive steps to align with this direction. This September, we introduced the First 4 Maths Academy scheme to strengthen mathematical understanding, alongside a renewed emphasis on letter formation



and handwriting to support spelling across all age groups. We are also continuing to develop our inclusive practices, ensuring every child can thrive. As always, we remain committed to providing the very best education for our pupils and preparing them for the future of learning.

At Bunbury, our dedicated team of professionals continually stay up to date with the latest educational developments, ensuring that your children benefit from the very best provision. Whether it's adapting to curriculum changes, refining our teaching approaches, or enhancing inclusive practices, our staff are committed to delivering high-quality education that meets the needs of every learner. We are grateful for your continued support and trust in the decisions we make to provide the best possible learning experiences for your children. We look forward to sharing with you our further improvements to Bunbury's provision.

Anti Bullying week Monday 10th November 2025

Anti-Bullying Week 2025 will take place from Monday 10th - Friday 14th November, with the theme: Power for Good. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 10th, with adults and children being encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

There is no donation required and children do not have to join in with odd socks if they do not wish to. We will however through the week through worship and RSE sessions be exploring: What Makes us all Unique.



Attendance

I continue to receive a number of requests for absences. We'd like to remind all families of the importance of regular school attendance.

Regular attendance at school is not only essential for your child's academic progress and social/emotional reasons, it is also a legal requirement. Whilst we understand that pupils will be absent from time to time due to illness; absence from school for other reasons should only be for exceptional circumstances. **We would like to remind all parents and carers that holidays taken during term time are not authorised unless there are *exceptional circumstances***. These may include serious illness or bereavement of a close family member, or a parent returning from military service. Family holidays, birthdays, or travel due to cost or convenience do not meet the criteria for exceptional set by the Department for Education. Holidays taken in term time will be subject to a fine.

Regular attendance is essential for your child's learning and development, and unauthorised absences which lead to persistent absence may also result in a fixed penalty notice. Attendance less than 90% is classified as persistent. We appreciate your support in ensuring your child attends school consistently and benefits fully from their education.

Parking

I have received several concerns this week regarding unsafe and inconsiderate parking around the school site, including vehicles blocking residents' driveways, obstructing pedestrian pathways, and creating hazards when crossing roads. Please can I kindly remind all parents and carers to park safely and respectfully when dropping off or collecting children. Let's work together to ensure our school community remains a safe and welcoming environment for everyone — including our neighbours and pedestrians. Thank you for your continued support.

Sporting news

A huge well done to our Year 5 and 6 hockey team who participated in the competition on Thursday. As always our team showed fantastic sportsmanship, worked well as a team and most important of all enjoyed their time in the competition. Well done all and a huge thank you to Mr Friel for organising and accompanying the team.

Mrs Badger's Weekly Awards

We have now been awarding children with different Christian values for a while based on the half termly focus value. We will still be working on a half termly value within school and this term we will be focusing on : **Generosity**. Now that the children have a deeper understanding of our Christian Values we will be asking them to help choose a child from their class each week. This could be in recognition for any value we have been working on in school.

There were no awards in school this week due our Remembrance worship.

Have a fantastic weekend from all of the Bunbury Team and I look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday.

Nic Badger



£30

WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP

Wednesday 26th November
6-8pm at Bunbury Aldersey Primary & Nursery School
**£30, all materials provided including Mulled wine, just
bring yourselves and a pair of scissors/secaturers.**

Complete beginners welcome
Find out more:
Hannah-07720396782

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A COMEDY EVENING WITH

PAUL KERENSA



"Top comic, top writer, top bloke!" LEE MACK
"If I was a gag-thief, I'd be shinning up Paul Kerensa's drainpipe."
MILTON JONES

14 NOVEMBER 2025

7:30PM - DOORS OPEN AT 7:00PM

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WRITER OF BBC'S MIRANDA, NOT GOING OUT, TOP GEAR.
PAUL WON ITV'S TAKE THE MIKE AWARD AND WAS A
FINALIST IN THE BBC NEW COMEDY AWARDS.



