


**Bunbury Aldersey CE Primary and Nursery School**  
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## ***Bunbury Primary School Calendar 2026***

School FEST - Monday 6th - Friday 10th July  
 Family Fest - Friday 10th June  
 Year 6 Leavers Evening - Wednesday 15th July 6pm  
 STAR day - Wednesday 15th July 2pm - 5pm  
 17th July - End of year service for Year 6 - St Boniface Church 10.30am

Holiday Dates for academic Year 2026/2027 have now been approved and our on the school website using the following link. Please note that INSET days are marked on the calendar in **BLUE**. Children are not expected to attend school on these days.

<https://www.bunburyaldersey.cheshire.sch.uk/page/holiday-dates/2416>

*“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

I can't quite believe we are so nearly at the end of this academic year - it has gone so quickly! The next two weeks are packed with more opportunities for enrichment with our School Fest event followed by our Year 6 Leavers performance of Midsummer Nights Dream. A huge thank you to all our staff team for their continued enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to our children ensuring that even right up to the end of term we are ensuring that our provision for all is the very best it can be.

### **This week**

This week our Year 4 and 5 pupils took part in their 3 day residential to the Peak District. An amazing time was had by all who attended and it was great to hear about the children taking part in lots of different activities. Enrichment opportunities, such as these, provide our children with valuable experiences where they are not only challenged physically but mentally also as they push themselves outside their comfort zones. A huge thank you as always to the staff team who accompanied them - without them these experiences could not take place.



On Monday we will be entering into School Fest week and I am delighted to say that over the weekend the field is now looking School Fest ready. During the week all the children will take part in a number of enrichment activities from our smallest learners in Nursery to Year 6 pupils who will enjoy School Fest for the very last time before they leave us.

Children can come dressed in their own clothes for the event - School Fest t-shirts can be worn with any item of clothing which your child feels comfortable in. Should your school fest t-shirt need a wash then please just send your child in own clothes that day. Please can I politely request that children do not come to school in their best clothes - it is not a "catwalk" event and children will get dirty with activities which are of a practical and creative nature.

Please can I also politely ask parent to ensure children have suncream applied, hats and water bottles as it is likely that the temperatures will rise again this week. Look out for updates during the week and we look forward to welcoming you to family fest on **Friday 10th July at 3.15pm. Please note that this year we will be running the event after school only.**



### Oracy - helping every child find their voice

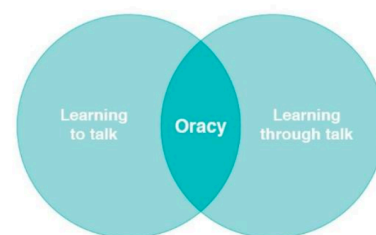
Next year, we will be developing oracy across the school. Oracy simply means the ability to communicate confidently and clearly through spoken language — and it is one of the most important skills we can give our children, both for school and for life.

Research shows that children who can express their ideas, listen carefully and discuss with others become stronger readers, writers and learners. It also helps children build confidence and resilience.

Across school children will be learning to use tools such as nesting (thinking through an idea before sharing it), talk partners, talk tactics such as "seed" (sharing a new idea) and "bloom" (building on someone else's), stem sentences and discussion guidelines. These tools all help to make sure every child has a voice and feels confident to share their ideas.

We will also be running Dine and Discuss sessions at lunchtime, where children are given a fun question to talk about with the people around them — things like "Would you rather be able to fly or be invisible?" or "Should pineapple go on pizza?" It sounds simple, but these sessions are brilliant for building the habit of listening, giving reasons and responding to what others say.

### How can you help at home?



The good news is that supporting oracy at home doesn't need to be complicated conversation is the most powerful tool of all. Here are a few simple ideas:

Ask open questions — instead of "how was school?", try "what's something that made you think today?" or "did anyone say something that surprised you?"

- Give them time — resist the urge to fill silences. Let your child find their words.
- Try a Dine and Discuss question at home — ask something fun and low-stakes over dinner and see where the conversation goes. You could even try the sentence stems your child uses in school: "I think... because..." or "I agree with you, but..."

**OPAL**

**Next year we will also be introducing OPAL to our breaks and lunchtimes.**

Children in British primary schools spend 20% or 1.4 years of their school attendance in play, yet most schools have no strategic or values-based approach to play across all ages. Play is the process through which children learn everything that they need to know that cannot be taught. Play wires the brain, builds capable bodies, and is the foundation of building relationships.

OPAL's programme enables schools to provide every child with rich opportunities to be creative, collaborative and active in their outdoor play, in environments that are safe enough for 'health and safety' but challenging enough for children's ongoing development. Over the next few months Mrs Smith and I will be meeting with the OPAL team and rolling this out so that our break and playtimes support every child with rich and creative opportunities.

For more information visit the OPAL site:

<https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/>



**Attendance**

I'd like to remind all families of the importance of regular school attendance at school and that this is a statutory requirement unless there are exceptional circumstances. I am continuing to receive a number of requests for holidays in term time as well as days off for events. Whilst I appreciate that these are important events for families and the cost of a family holiday during term time is considerably less please be advised that these requests will be unauthorised as their are national guidelines I am required to follow.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
3 ½ days off school from September until October half-term holiday will make your child persistently absent	7 days off school from September until the Christmas holiday will make your child persistently absent	10 days of absence from September until February half-term will make your child persistently absent	12 ½ days of absence from September until the Easter holidays will make your child persistently absent	15 ½ days of absence from September until May half-term will make your child persistently absent	19 days of absence over the full academic year (September to end of summer term in July) will make your child persistently absent

**PENALTY NOTICE AND PROSECUTION**

**Penalty Notices may be issued for**  
 Term time leave: Penalty Notice fines may be issued for term time leave of 5 or more days (10 sessions) in a 10-week period.  
 10 Sessions of Unauthorised absence in a rolling 10 week period: A Penalty Notice may be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.  
 However, school retain the discretion to request a Penalty Notice before the threshold is met. For example, where parents/carers are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below the threshold.

**Per Parent/Per Child**  
 Penalty Notice fines will continue to be issued per parent/carer per child. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent/carer receiving 3 separate fines.

<p><b>First Offence</b></p> <p>The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular school attendance the fine will be charged at:                  £160 per parent/carer, per child if paid within 28 days of the issue, reducing to £80 per parent/carer, per child if paid within 21 days.                  (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)</p>	<p><b>Second Offence</b></p> <p>Where it is deemed appropriate to issue a second penalty notice to the same parent/carer for the same pupil within 3 years of the first penalty notice, for either term time leave or irregular attendance the second penalty notice will be charged at:                  £160 if paid within 28 days. (Unpaid penalty notices may result in a parental prosecution)</p>
<p><b>Third Offence</b></p> <p>On the third time that an offence is committed within 3 years of the first penalty notice for either a term time leave or irregular attendance a penalty notice will not be issued.                  The Local Authority will decide on appropriate next steps which may include:                  *Prosecution under s444 (1) or (1a) of the Education Act 1996 which may result in a fine of up to £1000 or £2500 respectively.                  *Referral to other agencies.</p>	

It is important to understand that 1 days absence is counted as 2 sessions and so % can drop quickly especially when taken over the first half term. Children do not have to be absent much from school for attendance to drop below the expected 95% as illustrated in the graphic below.

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.

## 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 : **Respect**. 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 this week in school due no celebration worship on Friday.

### Christian Value Award

**Reception - Oscar** - For showing resilience in his maths, pushing himself to do his best. Keep it up.

**Year 1 - Jack** - For being kind and respectful all of the time and being a great friend to everyone in year 1.

**Year 2 - Fred** - For showing kindness, respect, listening thoughtfully and being a caring and helpful friend to everyone.

**Year 3 - Amelia and Alice Liddiment** - For leading worship excellently as part of the Ethos team and while the rest of the Ethos team are away. They are both reliable and incredibly helpful .

**Year 5 - Ellie, Alexis, Willow, Enfys, Charlie, James and Freddie** - For being helpful in years 1,2 and 3. Your kindness, willingness to help and positive attitude has been greatly appreciated by the staff and pupils.

**Year 6 - All of Year 6** - For being so kind, respectful and helpful for Mrs Dale whilst Mrs Smith was away this week.

### Head Teachers Star of the Week Award

**Reception - Eve** - For always showing all of the Bunbury values, setting a great example every day. She makes us very proud.

**Year 1 - Alexander Awad** - For always putting his hand up to answer questions in all our classes.

**Year 2 - Alice R** - For a wonderful final piece of writing based on Grandad's Secret Giant, showing creativity and great story telling.

**Year 3 - Willow** - For consistently hard work, great listening and a desire to make progress. She is a model to others.

**Year 6 - Henry** - For his love of learning and his enthusiasm and knowledge about Evolution in our science lessons.

**PE Award - Wilf** - For some super speedy running in PE

### **TT Awards**

#### **Year 3**

**Silver** - Rae and Lily S

**Gold** - Samson

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

Nic Badger

<https://www.cepcf.org/>

Cheshire East Parent Carer Forum welcomes all parent carers who have children / young people (age 0-25) with SEND in Cheshire East. Members can access information, peer support and training from CEPCF, and can share their lived experiences and views of SEND services in Cheshire East to help make things better.

*"the opportunity to learn an instrument offers something very special that can last a lifetime"*



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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Big news!** Instrumental and Singing lessons are available with Music for Life at school, and your child could be part of something amazing. **New for 2026 and from September**, pupils can unleash their rhythm with brand-new **drum kit lessons in school**, using the innovative NUVO Zip-Kit for a fun, portable and exciting start on drums!

At Music for Life, we believe music should be **inspiring, accessible and fun**. That's why we provide outstanding tutors who deliver weekly lessons, individually or in small groups, to help your child discover the joy of music and develop a lifelong passion.

Your child can choose from a wide range of instruments (including voice) and, when they join Music for Life, they'll unlock incredible opportunities: **ensembles, theory classes, workshops, performances and more!**

With over **30 years of experience**, we know how to make learning music exciting and rewarding. Our dedicated team ensures everything runs smoothly so your child feels supported every step of the way.

Here's what you need to know:

- Weekly 20 or 30 minute lessons in school, individual or small group
- Lessons start from just **£31.95 per month** (pupil premium subsidies may be available)
- Access to our multi award winning, not-for-profit organisation that invests in students through performances, ensembles, tutor training and workshops
- Easy instrument purchase through one of our partners such as 'Gear 4 Music' or hire with 'Musical Instrument Hire'.

Booking is simple: visit our [online portal](#), complete your details, and we'll confirm lesson times with one of our fantastic tutors. For more info, check out the accompanying flyer and e-information, along with our [website](#) for advice on choosing an instrument, up-to-date fees, and all the extra Music for Life magic.

We can't wait to help your child start their musical journey. If you have any questions, email us at [info@musicforlife.org.uk](mailto:info@musicforlife.org.uk).

*"I honestly think music plays a crucial part every day in my daughter's life. It gives her something that is in the here and now, not online, something she can excel at and feel how her practise helps her make tangible improvements".*

To begin lessons from September, complete the **booking form on our portal by 31<sup>st</sup> July**, accessed via our website, [www.musicforlife.org.uk](http://www.musicforlife.org.uk)

All the very best,

Dan Gooch-Peters  
Managing Director

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The graphic features the Badged Uniform Warehouse logo at the top left, which consists of a white t-shirt icon inside a yellow shield, followed by the text 'BADGED UNIFORM WAREHOUSE' in bold yellow and white. The central text reads 'WE ARE MOVING!' in large, bold, blue letters. Below this, a blue brushstroke underline is followed by the text 'Badged Uniform Warehouse are moving to a new premises to serve you even better!' in black. To the right of this text is a blue circular icon of a delivery truck. Below the main text, there are two columns of information. The left column, titled 'WE'RE MOVING!' with a calendar icon, lists the new address: 'Unit 5, Springvale Business Centre, Millbuck Way, Elworth, Sandbach, CW11 3HY'. The right column, titled 'NEW PREMISES.' with a location pin icon, lists benefits: 'More space. More stock. Same commitment to you.' At the bottom left, a blue brushstroke underline is followed by the text 'Thank you for your support!' in blue script, and 'WE CAN'T WAIT TO WELCOME YOU TO OUR NEW HOME.' in bold black. On the right side of the graphic, there is a photograph of a blue industrial building with the Badged Uniform Warehouse logo on its facade. In the foreground, several cardboard boxes are stacked, with the largest one having the text 'A New Home. Same Great Service.' written on it in black script. A blue arrow points to the right at the bottom right of the graphic.

**Badged** Uniform are now click and collect from their new premises. Customers will be advised when their order is ready and how they can collect.

No shop, No queues, No uniform admin, just a seamless fully managed online service for your school community. Parents can order 24/7 from home or on the go, with real time product availability and 100% of orders dispatched within 7 days avoiding summer queues and inconvenient fittings. Free delivery on orders over £50.00

We will supply the rest of the school with order forms so parents can think about what they might want and fill in the forms which we will collect them from the school right up to you breaking up, a lot of new parents can order on the night at the new parents evening if you have a date for this year so we can check our availability. No payment will be taken we will sort the order and then email a link to parents to pay; a lot of parents are now paying through Klarna which gives them 3 months.

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<b>FOOTBALL</b>	<b>CRICKET &amp; ROUNDERS</b>	<b>FOOTBALL</b>
10th – 13th August	18th – 20th August	24th – 27th August
9:00am – 3:00pm	9:00am – 3:00pm	9:00am – 3:00pm
£25 PER DAY   £90 FULL 4-DAY CAMP	£25 PER DAY   £65 FULL 3-DAY CAMP	£25 PER DAY   £90 FULL 4-DAY CAMP

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# FLOAT TO LIVE

## If in difficulty in water

1. Lie on your back with your head back and ears submerged.
2. Use your arms and legs to stabilise yourself.
3. Let your breathing come back to normal.
4. Shout for help or paddle on your back until you can leave the water.

## If you see someone in difficulty

1. Do not enter the water.
2. Call 999 and ask for Fire or Coastguard.
3. If there's life-saving equipment or an object nearby that will float throw it to the person.
4. Or try to reach them with a pole made out of anything to hand, such as a tree branch.
5. Keep sight of the person, wait for rescue service and give directions to save them searching.

# READ to the BEAT

## Join the Summer Reading Challenge at Cheshire East Libraries!

Sign up for **free** at your local library from  
**Saturday 4th July**

Earn stickers for reading over the summer and visiting  
the library to talk about what you've been reading.

Finish the challenge and earn a medal and certificate!

It's completely free to take part, all you need is a  
library card (and that's free too!)

Ask your library for more  
information and find out about  
the fun events going on all  
summer



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## We now have NHS spaces available for children!

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 **July 2026 Timetable**  
 All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long  
**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**  
 Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours

Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	6 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	6 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	13 July 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	13 July 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	14 July 7pm
<b>FREE - Supporting Healthy Screen Use</b>	16 July 7-8pm
Autism-Improving Communication	20 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	20 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Understanding Anger	27 July 10am
School Anxiety	27 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am
Supporting Health Screen Use	28 July 7pm

 **August 2026 Timetable**  
 All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long  
**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**  
 Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours

School Anxiety	3 Aug 10am
Anxiety Explained	3 Aug 7pm
Facing Defiance	4 Aug 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4 Aug 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	10 Aug 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	10 Aug 7pm
Introduction to OCD	11 Aug 10am
Decreasing Depression	11 Aug 7pm
What is ACT?	17 Aug 10am
Improving Family Communication	17 Aug 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	18 Aug 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	18 Aug 7pm
<b>FREE - Raising Self-Esteem</b>	20 Aug 7-8pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 Aug 10am
Understanding Anger	24 Aug 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 Aug 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25 Aug 7pm

**BUNBURY CRICKET CLUB**

# JUNIORS

## 2026 SEASON

**NEW PLAYERS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

**ENJOYMENT • TEAMWORK • GROWTH**

Our Junior Cricket is about enjoyment and sportsmanship with the aim of giving every player the chance to develop and reach their potential.

**JUNIOR TRAINING**

**THURSDAYS**  
at the BCC  
6:00 – 7:30 PM

**STARTS THURSDAY 26TH APRIL**

**TEAMS & TRAINING TIMES**

- ★ U7s / Allstars – Tennisball (Y1 & Y2) 6:00 – 7:00pm
- ★ U9s – Softball (Y3 & Y4) 6:30 – 7:30pm
- ★ U11s – Hardball (Y5 & Y6) 6:30 – 7:30pm
- ★ U12s – Hardball (Y7) 6:30 – 7:30pm
- ★ U13s – Hardball (Y8) 6:00 – 7:00pm
- ★ U15s – Hardball (Y9 & Y10) 7:30 – 8:30pm
- ★ Girls Team – Softball 6:30 – 7:30pm

**MAKE A NIGHT OF IT!**

**BBQ NIGHTS**  
FOOD AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE  
**23<sup>RD</sup> & 30<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
 PAYMENT BY CASH OR CARD

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**17<sup>TH</sup> & 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**

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BUILD CONFIDENCE

HAVE FUN!

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# PLAY IN A WEEK

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	AUGUST 17TH - 21ST		DISCOUNT FOR SIBLINGS
	10-3 MONDAY TO FRIDAY		
	PERFORMANCE ON FRIDAY AT 3PM		
	AT NANTWICH METHODIST HALL		
	£150 FOR THE WEEK		
	£50 DEPOSIT		

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 TO BOOK A PLACE  
MSG ANNE-MARIE ON 07962 999502

# Save the date!



## Art Exhibition

St Boniface Church, Bunbury  
26th - 28th June 2026

An exhibition of Art in this beautiful venue  
(incl. painting, printmaking, sculpture, textiles,  
glass, photography)

Also with floral displays, vegetable garden and  
cafe