



Barty Bugle

19TH SEPTEMBER 2025

MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM

Welcome to our new and improved Barty Bugle! We thought we would start the school year by moving to a weekly newsletter so that we can share information with you more often. This will normally be sent to you on a Friday...but if it doesn't make it to you on time, we all know who we can blame!

As a staff team, we started the beginning of September with two inset days; the first one was spent with our sister schools in The Moorlands Primary Federation and the second one was spent making plans for the academic year ahead. We are all very excited about what this academic year will bring.

All of the children have settled back in wonderfully and we have been delighted to welcome some new faces in our nursery class (Little Acorns). We do still have some limited space available so if you know of anyone looking for a nursery, we would love you to mention us!

Our older children have already been out and about in the community - visiting St Bartholomew's Church and Longnor Races, which they have really enjoyed. Mrs Pantev and Mrs Richardson also have lots more exciting plans for the rest of the academic year.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.
Team Barty

IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL

If your child is unwell, please let the school office know before 8:30am.

SCHOOL DAY

Morning registration - 8:45am

- ☀ If your child arrives after 8:55am but before 9:05am they will be marked as late.
- ☀ If your child arrives after 9:05am, they will be marked as late after registration closes.

Afternoon registration - 1pm

- ☀ School ends - 3:15pm

NURSERY DAY

- ☀ Morning registration - 9am

- ☀ Afternoon registration - 1pm

- ☀ Nursery ends - 3pm

If your child will not be attending nursery, please let the school office know.

ATTENDANCE

National Target: 95%

School Attendance: 98.46%

WEEKLY AWARDS



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

These are the dates that we have planned in at the moment - please keep an eye out each week for new dates and any changes.

- ☀ 22/09/2025 - Deadline for ordering photos (9am)
- ☀ 29/09/2025 - Y1 to Y4 to Poole's Cavern
- ☀ 02/10/2025 - Census Day - look out for a special menu!
- ☀ 21/10/2025 - Parent Consultations
- ☀ 27/10/2025 - 31/10/2025 - Half Term
- ☀ 28/11/2025 - Christmas Fair (4:30pm to 7pm)
- ☀ 08/12/2025 - Y1 to Y4 Panto at Buxton Opera House
- ☀ 10/12/2025 - Flu immunisation (Y1, Y3, Y4)
- ☀ 19/12/2025 - Finish for Christmas Break



MENU

Autumn/Winter 2025-26



	WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE
MONDAY	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Chocolate & Vanilla Swirl Cookie (ve)	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Vanilla Snap (ve)	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Lemon Biscuit (ve)
TUESDAY	Classic Mac & Cheese Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Apple Cake (v)	Italian Sausage Pasta Bake Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Jaffa Cake Sponge (v)	Sausage with Mash & Gravy Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Oaty Apple & Rhubarb Crumble with custard (v)
WEDNESDAY	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Fruit Jelly (ve)	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Fruit Jelly (ve)	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Fruit Jelly (ve)
THURSDAY	Homestyle Sausage Roll with Mash & Gravy Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Flapjack (ve)	Cottage Pie Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Flapjack (ve)	Penne with Beef Bolognese Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Choco Krispie Bite(Ve)
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Banana Custard Ice Cream (v)	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Banana Custard Ice Cream (v)	Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips Alt: Choice of Filled Jackets or Sandwiches Veg of the Day Banana Custard Ice Cream (v)
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V – Vegetarian Ve – Vegan

Freshly baked bread, salad, and fresh drinking water available daily

Week commencing 22nd September we are on week one

SPECIAL MENU ALERT!

Thursday 2nd October is census day so Miss Vicki will be preparing a special menu. We will share this with families once agreed.

The number of pupils who take school meals on this day affects the funding that the school receives from the government so we would like as many pupils as possible to have a school dinner on this day.

SAFEGUARDING

#WakeUpWednesday from The National College aims to equip every trusted adult with the knowledge and skills they need to keep up with the latest information, implement best practice and heighten their awareness of issues around three core topics; online safety, mental health & wellbeing; and climate change & sustainability.

This week's topic is focussed on Snapchat

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SNAPCHAT

SNAP STREAK 97

AGE RESTRICTION 13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

With over 900 million active monthly users and billions of 'Snaps' sent each month, Snapchat is a popular messaging app among children and young people. It allows users to share fun, spontaneous pictures and videos with friends and family while using playful filters. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures, videos and messages are only viewable for a short period of time.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Snapchat's use of artificial intelligence (AI) includes features like the 'My AI' chatbot and AI-powered filters, offering interactive experiences that can be fun but also pose risks. These tools may share unfiltered or inaccurate responses, promote unrealistic beauty standards, and collect personal data. Advanced filters and deepfake-style lenses can distort reality, potentially leading to manipulation, impersonation, or inappropriate content.

SCREEN ADDICTION

Snapchat boosts user engagement and daily use with features like streaks (daily Snapchat exchanges between you and a friend). When a streak's been going for a few days, users will see a 'streak' number alongside it shows the number of days, but if users miss a day and break the streak, the only way to restore it is to pay. This encourages daily use habits, and frequent notifications can keep users returning to the app even more often.

SEXTORTION

Because Snapchat's disappearing messages feature may foster a sense of safety, users may become targets of sextortion. For example, a predator may pressure someone into sending nude images, then somehow capture those images to threaten and intimidate the victim. This might involve claiming they will share the images with friends or family unless money is paid.

SNAPCHAT+

Snapchat+ is the platform's premium subscription service, offering early access to new and exclusive features. In June 2025, Snapchat introduced a new tier called Lens+, giving subscribers access to hundreds of lenses and AR experiences for playing, creating, and sharing Snaps. These paid features may encourage young users to spend money to access exclusive content, increasing the risk of overspending or feeling pressured to make in-app purchases.

ACCESSIBILITY

Snapchat is now accessible from a web browser, meaning children can use it on a laptop or tablet without downloading the app. This can make activity harder to monitor, reduce the effectiveness of parental controls, and increase the risk of unsupervised communication or exposure to inappropriate content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's disappearing messages feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ACCESS THE SNAPCHAT FAMILY SAFETY HUB

Created with guidance from Common Sense Media, Snapchat has developed a Family Safety Hub that explains how the app works and how to use its in-app protections for teens. It's recommended that you review this guidance before allowing a child to download Snapchat. Remember, the app is only intended for children aged 13 and over.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger connects with a child on Snapchat and makes them feel uncomfortable by pressuring them to send or receive unwanted or inappropriate images, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile to report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user, with a tailored reporting section under the 'Nudity and Sexual Content' category. In this category, there's the option to report somebody for threatening to leak sexually explicit images, or 'nudes'.

USE PRIVACY SETTINGS TOGETHER

Sit down with the children in your care and explore Snapchat's privacy settings as a shared activity. You can help them adjust who can contact them, view their stories, or see their location on Snap Map. It's a good opportunity to explain why some settings are safer than others, reinforcing their understanding of online boundaries. Encourage them to regularly review these settings, especially after app updates or changes in their friendship groups.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/snapchat>

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Spotlight

OPERATION ENCOMPASS

St Bartholomew's Primary participates in a national scheme called "Operation Encompass". This is a joint partnership between Staffordshire Police and schools where all incidents of domestic abuse are shared with schools. We know that children can be significantly harmed, physically and/or emotionally during these situations, and that it also negatively affects their learning & behaviour. Therefore, as part of the Operation Encompass procedure the school receives an email from Staffordshire Police the morning after a child has been witness to, or involved in any recorded domestic abuse incident. We are then able to use this information to provide the right support to any child and their family as and when they need it.



TEA AND TOTS TOO

We are excited to launch our "Tea and Tots Too" group. This will take place on the second Monday of every month with the first session on **Monday 13th October 2025 - 10:30am to 12pm.**



Everyone welcome - we would love to see you and your little ones.
A warm welcome waits for you. ❤️

Tea & Tots Too

**Stay and play,
chat and
make new friends**

When: Second Monday of
every month
10:30am to 12pm

Where: St Bartholomew's Nursery,
Longnor, SK17 0NZ
(Please use the rear entrance at the back of the school)

Who: For families and
children age 0-4 years

Join us for a brew, cake,
squash and biscuits

**Suggested
donation £2
per family**

For more information please email:
office@st-bartholomews.staffs.sch.uk

Supported by Longnor Parish Council

FOREST FRIENDS

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust will be continuing to use our stunning forest school area for Forest Friends on the first Monday of each month. Sessions are **free** but can fill up quickly, booking is essential.

Forest Friends

Outdoor stay and play
St Bartholomew's Primary School,
Longnor, SK17 0NZ



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Following the Forest School ethos we'll use nature as our guide and see where our curiosity leads us as we play and explore outdoors!

First Monday of the month
10.30am - 12pm

6th October
3rd November
1st December
5th January
2nd February

Free but Booking Essential

For more info and to book visit
www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/events



Free thanks to funding from The Staffordshire Freemasons

For more details contact getwild@staffs-wildlife.org.uk



JOIN OUR ACADEMY

Boys and girls from 5 years old
Saturday 10am - 11am



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Only £3 per session