

# Bude Primary Academy

## Head of School – Mr James Pritchard

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

We're really looking forward to welcoming the children back to school and into their new classes. This curriculum letter gives a brief overview of some of the key information for the upcoming half term, including trips, events, and what the children will be learning. It's set to be a brilliant start to the new school year!

### **Trips, events or visitors**

- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September- Stone Age Immersion: letter attached
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September, walk to Bencoolen park to explore forces
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November- Trip The Hurlers : letter to follow

### **Reading**

Reading aloud daily is highly recommended, as it plays a key role in building children's fluency, accuracy, and reading confidence. It's also a great opportunity to explore new vocabulary, discuss predictions, and check understanding through simple questions. In school, children are supported in selecting books from their class library that match their reading level. To help with this, books are grouped into three categories: *Tasty* (easy-to-read texts), *Hot* (shorter novels and more accessible non-fiction), and *Spicy* (longer novels and more challenging non-fiction).

### **Love for reading**

As we begin the new school year, we're excited to remind you that all children will have access to their own class libraries as well as our whole-school library. Our library is a brilliant space for reading and exploring new books—children are also welcome to pop in during Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes to enjoy a quiet read or choose a book to take home, with our wonderful reading ambassadors on hand to help and recommend great reads.

### **Home Learning**

You can support your child at home by practicing their times tables. Pupils who know their times tables find all areas of maths far easier to approach and understand. Your child can access Numbots or TTRockstars through their Google login at home, this will be shared with your child. You can access this login [here](#). Your child can also access Spelling Shed to practise spelling rules being taught in class that week.

### **PE days – Monday and Tuesday**

Children should continue to come to school in their full PE kit, which comprises of:

- A turquoise PE T-shirt (optional, with embroidered school logo)
- Black shorts / leggings or joggers
- Trainers
- Our turquoise school jumper or cardigan

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Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. As some PE sessions take place outside, they may need a coat on cooler or wet days. On warmer days, please ensure they come to school with suncream applied and a sun hat.

### **School Uniform Expectation**

- White Polo shirt – with or without the school logo
- Grey trousers, skirt or shorts - no leggings or jogging bottoms
- Turquoise school jumper or cardigan – with or without the school logo
- Tights/socks – black, grey or white (non-branded)
- Shoes – black shoes – no boots, heels or open toe

### **Attendance Matters**

Good attendance is vital for learning and progress. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time each day. If your child is unwell and unable to attend, please inform the school office as soon as possible.

### **Morning Routine and End-of-Day Arrangements**

Our school day starts at 8.50am (gates are open 8.40 until 8.50am) and finishes at 3.20pm. Please inform the school office ([hello@budejuniors.org.uk](mailto:hello@budejuniors.org.uk)) if you would like to give permission for your child to walk home.

### **Clubs and Enrichment**

Information about after-school clubs will be sent out each half term. Check out ParentPay to sign up.

### **Reminders**

Just a quick reminder to please send your child in each day with a water bottle and a healthy snack for breaktime—this could be fruit, yoghurt, a cereal bar, vegetables or cheese. If your child is staying for an after-school club, an extra snack is a good idea too. Please remember that all snacks and packed lunches must be **nut free**.

### **Useful links**

School website - Bude Primary Academy - Juniors ([budejuniors.org.uk](http://budejuniors.org.uk))

Follow our Facebook page:

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We look forward to an exciting half term, thank you in advance for all of your continued support. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### **Year 3 Team**

Mrs Stickney, Ms Thorpe and Mrs Miles

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