

Bude Primary Academy

Head of School – Mr James Pritchard

Friday 22nd May 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

It is hard to believe how quickly the year has flown by! As we move into the last half term of this school year, we are delighted to make the most of the outdoors with the warmer weather and the long, sunny days. We have had a truly fantastic year so far, and this final half term promises to be just as busy and rewarding. This letter provides an overview of the vibrant curriculum and enriching experiences we have in store as we celebrate the children's progress and prepare for the transition to the new academic year.

Trips, events or visitors

- Friday 5th June 4.30pm – Saturday 6th June 8am – Sleepover at school (please sign up on ParentPay – deadline 22.05)
- Friday 12th June – Museum visit (please sign up on ParentPay) – we are looking for parent helpers to support on this trip
- WC 15th June - Healthy Active Living Week
- Tuesday 16th - 8:30am: Parent Open Morning linked to Healthy Active Living Week
- Thursday 18th June - Sea Pool visit AM (please sign up on ParentPay)- we are looking for parent helpers to support on this trip
- Friday 19th June 1.30 – 3pm - Sports day
- Thursday 9th and Friday 10th July – transition days

PSHE

In PSHE this term, our focus is on 'Growing and Changing'. This important unit is a statutory part of the National Curriculum and helps children understand the changes they may experience as they grow, as well as how to make safe and healthy choices. The content is always delivered in an age-appropriate and sensitive way. This term, the topics we'll be covering include:

- Respecting privacy (including understanding the difference between secrets and surprises)
- Naming body parts
- Understanding that babies are made when an egg and sperm join
- An introduction to the female menstrual cycle
- Basic first aid

For further information take a look at the PSHE / RSE page on our website - [Bude Primary Academy - Juniors - PSHE & RSE](#). If you have any questions about the content of this unit or how it is taught, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Healthy Active Living Week

During the week commencing 15th June Bude Juniors will be celebrating Healthy Living Week with a fantastic lineup of activities focused on physical and mental well-being. Throughout the week, children will design healthy snacks, learn about "growing and changes," celebrate Wellbeing

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Wednesday, and enjoy visits from Healthy Cornwall, the Dental Health Outreach team, and trips to the Bude Sea Pool.

Key dates for parents:

- Tuesday, 8:30am: Parent Open Morning
- Friday 19th June, 1:30pm–3:00pm: Sports Day (parents welcome to watch the races)

Science: The Secret Science of our School Grounds – Tuesday and Thursday

This term, our Science focus is Outdoor Learning. We will be exploring our school woods to discover "The Secret Science of our School Grounds." Since we will be working near brambles and nettles, please ensure your child wears long trousers or has a pair in their bag every Tuesday and Thursday. This will keep them comfortable and protected while they explore!

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

Our library is a brilliant space for reading and exploring new books. Children are welcome to pop in during 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 (for practising number facts) or TT Rockstars (for times table practice) through the logins shared at the start of the year. For further ideas of how to support your child at home, take a look at our Home Learning page on our website.

PE days – Monday and Thursday

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

As we move into the Summer term, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the warmer weather. For outdoor PE sessions and break times, we kindly ask that children bring a sun hat and have sunscreen applied before school (or bring a labelled bottle for self-application). On the occasional damp or cooler day, a light waterproof coat may still be needed to ensure they stay comfortable while learning outside.

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School Uniform Expectation

- White Polo shirt – with or without the school logo
- Grey trousers, skirt or shorts - no leggings or jogging bottoms
- Yellow summer dress
- Turquoise school jumper or cardigan
- 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) 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)
- Follow our Facebook page: [Facebook – Bude Primary Academy – Juniors](#)

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, Mrs Miles and Ms Thorpe

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