Bottisham Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 6th November 2026

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This Week in School

The children have had a very positive start back. I was lucky enough to teach Elm Class some math's and was impressed with their knowledge of multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. Oak class were very busy making wonderful creations out of junk materials when I popped in, and Hazel Class were writing letters to fairies and making their own math's books through independent choice! The field is sadly now too wet and muddy to play on during breaktimes but Ms Durrant has begun purchasing some new equipment to enhance what children have to do on the playground.

Thank you to the PTA for putting on a lovely story time session for Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils on Wednesday.



The school will continue to sell items for Remembrance Day until Wednesday next week – children may bring cash into school to purchase them.

Odd Socks Day

Anti-bullying Week begins on 16th November. On this day, children can wear odd socks to school to mark the start of the week and celebrate uniqueness.









The winning speed safety posters have now been installed around the village. You will find the posters on the lampposts on Bell Road, Lode Road, Tunbridge Lane, High Street and round Beechwood Avenue. Please keep an eye out for them...and parents and carers, make sure you follow their good advice!

Gate Closing Time

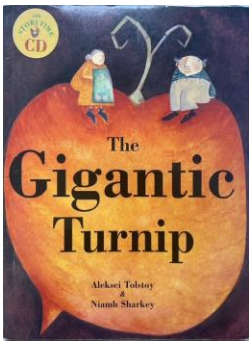
Mr Donaghy will now be closing the gates of the school field at 5pm each evening now that it is dark. This will get earlier as the darkness draws in for winter! Bikes in the bike sheds will also be locked up at this time. The field will remain open during weekends.

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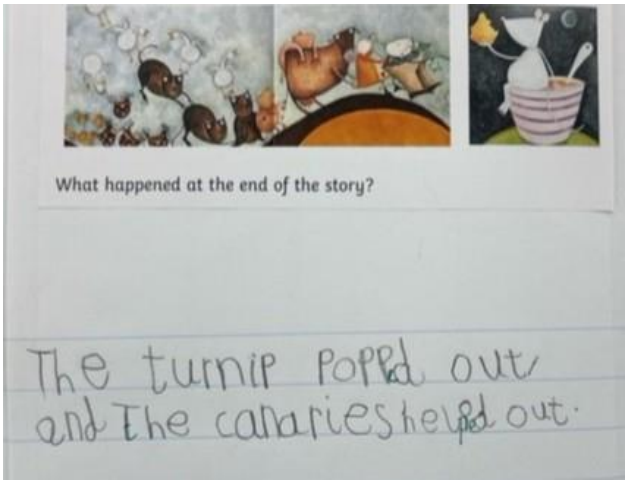
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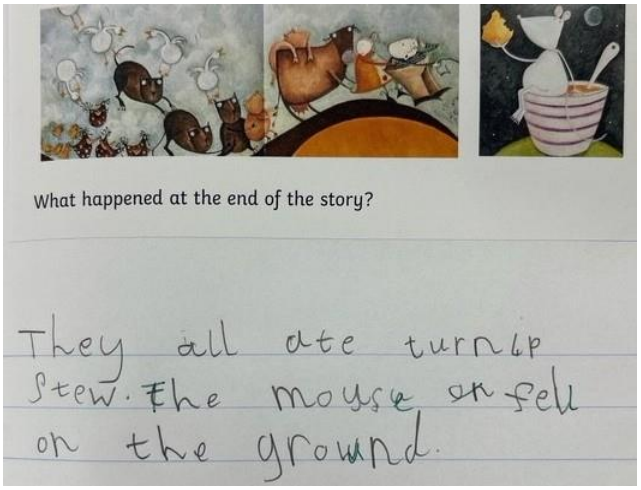
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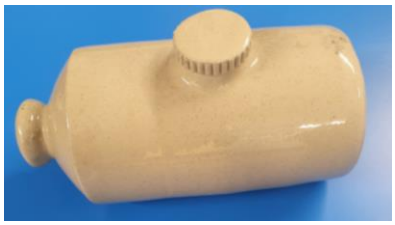
In Year 1 this week, we have started our topic on Traditional Tales. Our text of the week is 'The Gigantic Turnip'.



The children have read and sequenced the story. They have also rewritten the end of the story in their own words.



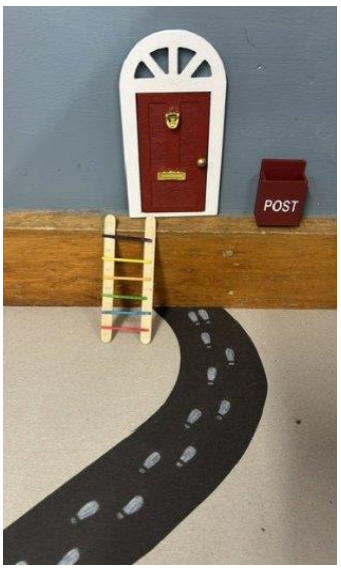


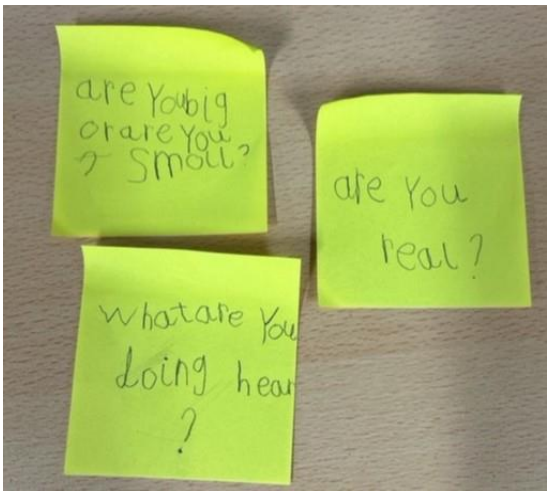


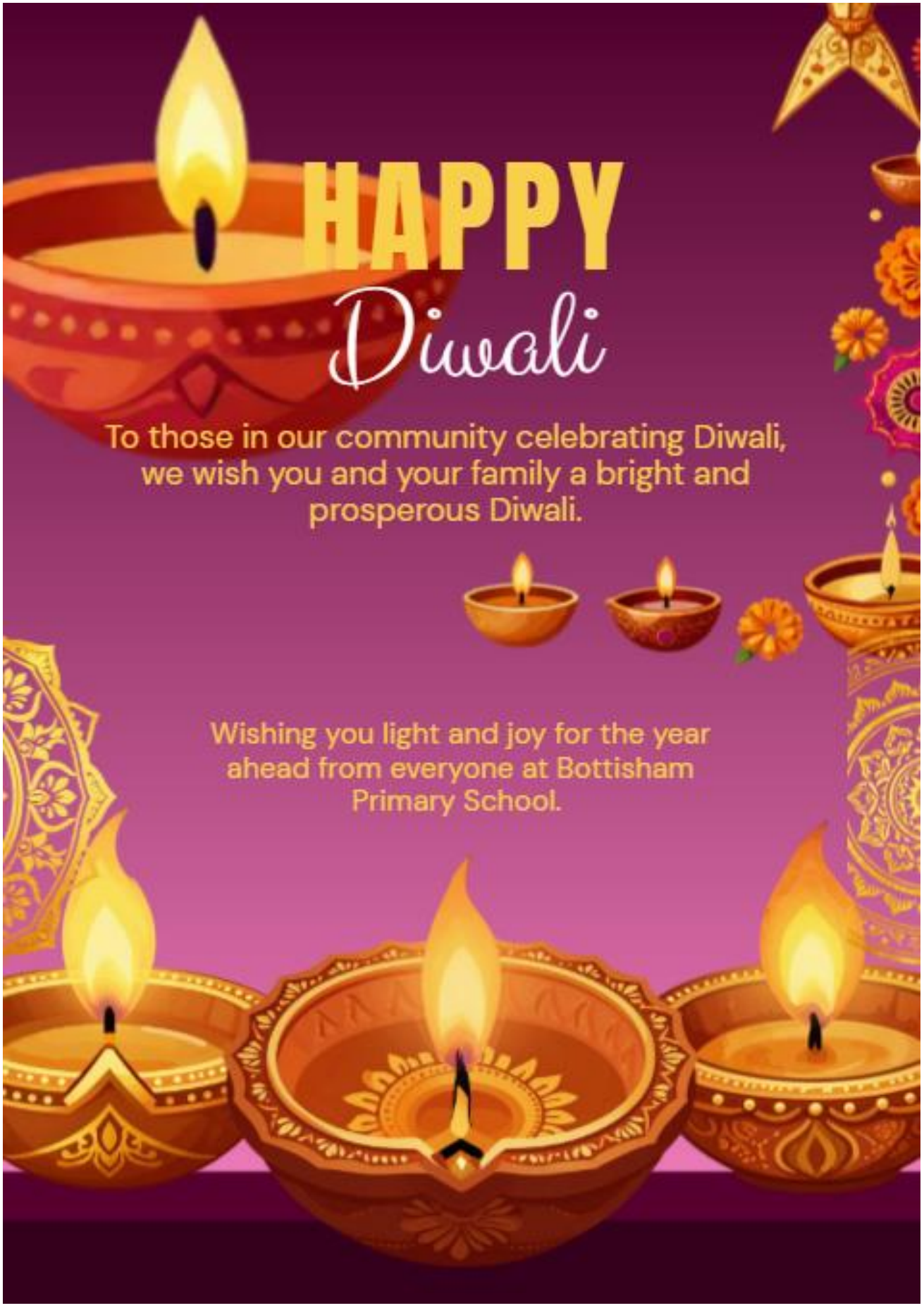
In history this week, the children were excited to learn about the recent past by exploring artefacts.



We were amazed to discover that a tiny door appeared in our classroom after half term! The children have been writing questions to find out more about 'Pixie' and 'Spike'!
They have been replying in letters that we find every morning!






HAPPY
Diwali
To those in our community celebrating Diwali, we wish you and your family a bright and prosperous Diwali.
Wishing you light and joy for the year ahead from everyone at Bottisham Primary School.

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Key Dates for the Autumn Term

Odd socks
Monday 16th November: Odd Socks Day (anti-bullying Week)
Friday 27th November: Flu vaccinations take place in school.
Friday 4th December, 4:30-6:30pm: Christmas Fair.
W/B Monday 7th December: Elfridges
Tuesday 8th December and Wednesday 9th December at 2:15: Year 1 & 2 Nativity
Tuesday 8th December: Rocksteady concert (for parents of pupils in Rocksteady)
Thursday 10th December: Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 10th December: Christmas Craft Afternoon – Oak Class
Thursday 10th December, 6-7pm, Holy Trinity Church: School Carol Service.
Friday 18th December: Break up for Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January: School opens to pupils for Spring Term.

Letters Sent out this Week

- Choir Christmas Dates
- Poppy Appeal – Donations
- Year 3 / 4 DT Cooking Contribution
- Premier Education Autumn Clubs
- Friday Book Sales



WILD @art

Art and Craft After School Club

Year 1-6

Bottisham Primary School

Wednesdays

3:30 to 4:30pm



£9.50 per session

Bookable in blocks only



Bookings: wildatartworkshops.com - "Book a club"

For queries: victoria.wildatart@gmail.com

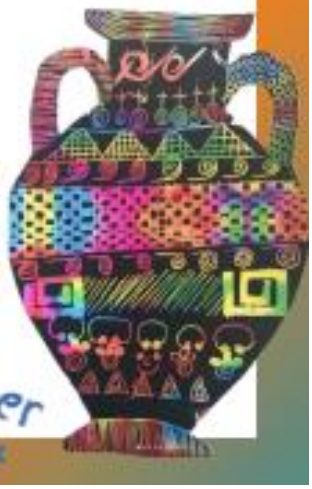
For exact running dates please see booking platform

Wild at art workshops

wildatartcambridgeshire



Mosaic Painting Collage Clay Printing Paper Craft



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NEXT TERM

SNEAK PEEK!



Balloon Rainy Day Craft



Christmas Pebble Craft



Exploring the artist Salvador Dali and his amazing elephants!



Pop Up Autumn Scenes

OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Making grabber toys,
Rangoli patterns
and carol singer craft.

Education Inclusion Family Advisor
Virtual Drop-In



Michelle West

Education Inclusion Family Advisors offer you an opportunity to ask for information, advice and support on any issue affecting your family life in a relaxed and confidential environment.

These areas include:

- Challenging behaviour
- Routines
- Supporting emotions and wellbeing
- School transitions
- Parenting strategies
- Building resilience and confidence
- Any other family challenges you might be facing

If you would like to talk with Michelle on a 1:1 basis about any of the above issues, then book onto the drop-in on Thursday 19th November 9.30am-12.30pm. Sessions are 30 minutes long.

To book on:

- **Email michelle.west@cambridgeshire.gov.uk**
- **Mention "Drop-in" in the subject bar of your email and include your name and your child's name**
- **Await a Microsoft Teams meeting invite for a 30 minute chat**

Please note, By attending the drop-in session, you consent to information being recorded and processed in accordance with Cambridgeshire County Councils GDPR and data protection policies.


FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT
GIRLS FREE TASTER SESSIONS
COMBERTON - SWAVESEY - BOTTISHAM - LINTON
CONTACT: YDGIRLS@CAMBRIDGEUNITED.COM



AUTUMN TERM CLUBS

Bottisham Primary Community School

AUT 1: Starts w/c 7th September, Finishes w/c 19th October

AUT 2: Starts w/c 2nd November, Finishes w/c 14th December

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EXTRACURRICULAR CLUBS AT YOUR SCHOOL...

Day:	Activity:	Year(s):	Time:	Price
Monday	Gymnastics	Y1 - 6	08:00 - 08:45	£6 per session
Monday	Dodgeball	Y3 - 6	15:30 - 16:30	£6 per session
Thursday	Performing Arts	Y1 - 6	08:00 - 08:45	£6 per session
Thursday	Cricket	Y1 - 6	15:30 - 16:30	£6 per session
Friday	Nerf	Y1 - 4	15:30 - 16:30	£6 per session

Premier Education is the UK's No. 1 provider of sport and physical activity to primary schools, improving children's health and wellbeing through active learning every day!

We are pleased to inform you that we will be running the above listed clubs at your school this term for boys and girls of all abilities. Full details are available on our website.

To book, please follow these simple steps:

1. visit www.premier-education.com
2. search your postcode in 'book a course'
3. select your school and click BOOK NOW
4. complete your details and receive email confirmation of your booking.

Please note booking remains open throughout the duration of the course, the price will adjust on the payment page! If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, the payment can be paid for by the school. If your family circumstances have changed since being awarded the Pupil Premium grant and you feel you could make a contribution or pay the full payment, it would be very much appreciated.

Any questions email info@premier-education.com

CLICK HERE TO BOOK

https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/297/

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Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for November.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form. If you don't receive the booking link, please check your spam/junk folder. A reminder email will also be sent to you an hour before the workshop.

Managing Challenging Behaviour	Tuesday, 10 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Managing Challenging Behaviour or
Supporting Your Child with Angry Feelings	Thursday, 12 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Supporting with Angry Feelings or
Supporting Your Child with Sleep	Tuesday, 17 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Supporting Your Child with Sleep or
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Thursday, 19 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Supporting with Feelings of Worry or
Managing Sibling Rivalry	Tuesday, 24 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Managing Sibling Rivalry or
Supporting Your Child with Angry Feelings	Thursday 26 November 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Supporting with Angry Feelings or

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Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Tuesday, 1 December 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry or
Managing Challenging Behaviour	Thursday, 3 December 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Managing Challenging Behaviour or
Managing Sibling Rivalry	Tuesday, 8 December 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: Managing Sibling Rivalry or
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1st Bottisham Cubs

Be Part of Something Great!

Adventure • Friends • Skills for Life



Monday Nights
6:30pm – 8:00pm

Children need to be
8 – 10 years old
to join

At Bottisham Scout Hut

All are Welcome!

We do lots of exciting activities, including...

- Learning new skills
- Hikes
- Developing leadership and team work skills
- Working towards badges



Camping at weekends or holidays



External activities and local visits, like Clip 'n Climb!



For more information, contact

cubs@1stbottishamscouts.org.uk

Apply now

Cambridgeshire County Council

for a Reception school place for September 2027

If your child will be aged 4 by **31st August**

You need to apply NOW for a School place



SCAN ME

Apply by 15th January 2027

For further information please visit
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/admissions
or contact your local School

Contact the Admissions Team by telephone 0345 045 1370

School Admissions ALC2605, PO Box 761, Huntingdon, PE29 9 QR or email admissions@cambridgeshire.gov.uk