



**CAMPTON  
ACADEMY**

## Newsletter - Autumn 1 2022

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### Important Dates

**Friday 16th September**—Individual and sibling school photos

**Monday 3rd October**—Harvest Festival @ All Saints Church, Campton Church

**Wednesday 5th October**—Reading Café—Parents welcome 9:10—9:30

**Thursday 6th October**—Pupil Census Day

**Tuesday 11th October**—Life bus (all classes)

**Thursday 13th October**—Year 1 / Year 2 Multi Skills festival (12 children from each class)

#### **Half Term Holiday**

**Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October  
Inclusive**

**Inset Day—Monday 31st October 2022**

**W/C 7th November**—Road Safety Week

**W/C 14th November**—Anti Bullying Week

**Friday 18th November**—Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 trip to Chicksands Cinema (am) TBC

**Thursday 24th November**—Year 3 and Year 4 trip to Chicksands Cinema (pm) TBC

**6th & 8th December**—Reception / Year 1 Class Nativity Play (information to follow)

**Friday 9th December**—Christmas Jumper Day

**Wednesday 14th December**—Christmas Dinner

**W/c 12th December**—Christmas Carol Service

**Friday 16th December**—Class parties (pm)

#### **Christmas Holidays**

**Monday 19th December—Monday 2nd January 2023**

**INSET Day – Tuesday 3rd January 2023**

**Last day of Autumn term—Fri 17th December**

**First day of Spring Term—Wednesday 4th January 2023**

### Welcome Back!

Firstly a huge well done to all the children, particularly those in Reception who have been working so hard making new friends and getting to know new routines. All classes have had a brilliant first week and the children have settled really well into their new classes.

A number of children have joined us across the school, we extend a very warm welcome to all our new families and hope you enjoy being part of the Campton Team. We look forward to getting to know you better as the term progresses.

To give you the opportunity to see your child(ren)'s classroom(s) and the staff working with them parents, who have children in **Years 1 – 4**, are invited into school on Friday 16th September between 2:45 and 3:00. Please be aware class teachers will be unable to answer individual queries at this time.

Please remember that if you have any worries or concerns regarding your child, you can always arrange an appointment, via the office, to meet their class teacher in person or for them to make contact via phone. You are also most welcome to make an appointment to speak to me or Mrs Allen. Non teaching staff are always available on the front playground at the start of each day. Please do not hesitate to speak to them.

Best wishes, Mrs Fraher

### Student Update Forms

Please keep an eye out for these in the next week or so and return them to the office by Friday 30th September 2022, so that we can update our records.

### Safeguarding

#### **Designated Safeguarding Lead:**

Mrs Sarah Fraher, Principal  
SFraher@bestacademies.org.uk

#### **Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:**

Mrs Carolyn Allen-Pastoral Lead  
Miss Charlie Davenport—Class Teacher

### SSG After-school Sports Clubs

For those families that have signed up for SSG after-school sports clubs these will start w/c 12th September

**Please note there are no sessions w/c  
31st October 2022**



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## Reminders

### After-school pick-up arrangements

Please telephone the School Office on 01462 813359 if going home arrangements for your child are different from normal arrangements that the class teachers are used to. Your **password will be required** for telephone requests.

**Please do not email the School Office, as any failure in our Internet service will mean the messages will not get read. Class teachers are also highly unlikely to see messages sent via seesaw during the afternoon.**

### Names

Please name all your child's clothing/ belongings. Please refer to [www.name-labels.com](http://www.name-labels.com) if you wish to purchase children's name labels. The school reference number is 3511.

### School Lunch money (Years 3 & 4)

Please ensure that lunch money is paid in advance. This should be done via your ParentMail account. If you have any queries regarding school lunches and/or payments, please contact Mrs Wheatley in the School Office.

### Coats

Please ensure your child always has a coat/rain jacket with them every day in school. As you know, our weather is extremely changeable and we don't want children to feel cold when they are in the playground.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school every day, **it should only contain water.**

### Jewellery and Watches

Please remember only smooth stud earrings are permitted in school. If your child has recently had their ear(s) pierced you will need to sign a form in the office. Please cover their earrings with suitable tape on P.E days. Necklaces and bracelets pose a health and safety risk and should not be worn unless for religious reasons. Watches may be worn; to aid with telling the time, an analogue face is preferred. Watches with 'smart' functions pose a safeguarding risk and are not suitable for use in school.

### Snacks

Can we remind all parents that if you are packing your child a snack that this should only be fresh or dried fruit / vegetable.

## Starting School

**Was your child born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019?** They will start school in September 2023, so you need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2023. Apply online at [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions) You can also complete a paper application which is available by contacting School Admissions at [admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk) or telephone 0300 300 8037.

Mrs Fraher will be holding **School Visits** during the **week commencing 7th November**. Please contact the School office to book a slot.

## PTA

Friends of Campton are actively seeking new members. These amazing volunteers raise much needed funds for our school. If you are interested in finding out more please contact :

**CMA-FOC@bestacademies.org.uk**

## School Photographs

'Braiswick' Photographers will be in school on Friday 16th September to take an individual photo of every child in school. Brothers and sisters in school will also have a photo taken together.

Although school funds benefit by a percentage of the total money raised from these photos, we offer this as a service to parents rather than as a fund-raising activity. Please note there is no obligation to buy the photos.

## Harvest—Monday 3rd October

We are in the process of organising a Harvest celebration with All Saints Church, Campton. This year we will be visiting as a whole school and parents are most welcome to join us.

We will be asking parents to send in non-perishable food donations on Monday 3rd. These will then be taken to the church.

**Values -** *Our value this term is*

# Respect

*Please feel free to share with us any examples of your child showing honesty using your child's seesaw account or [sfraher@bestacademies.org.uk](mailto:sfraher@bestacademies.org.uk)*



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## Upcoming Events

### School Led Clubs

We are delighted to be able to offer two 'school led' after school clubs on Wednesdays and Fridays between 3:30 and 4:30pm.

#### **Wednesday's club will be an Active Games Club.**

For the first Autumn half term children in Years 3 and 4 will be able to sign up. After half term it will be open to children in Years 1 and 2. The year groups able to attend will continue to change each half term.

**Friday's club will initially be a Board and Card Game Club** and children from all year groups will be able to attend. The theme of the club will change each half term and the children will be given the opportunity to suggest a focus.

The cost of attending a school led afterschool club is £2.00 per session, therefore this half terms clubs will be £12.00 (6 weeks, starting next week). **If your child is interested in signing up for a club, please pay for the club under the Payments section on Parent-Mail. Spaces are allocated on a first come first served basis and limited to a maximum of 16 children per club.**

We will also be trialing some lunch time clubs, there will be a mixture of clubs where staff invite specific children (for a variety of reasons) and where children can choose to take part. There will be no charge for attending a lunchtime club.

Mrs Fraher will also continue to invite 4 children to have lunch with her one day each week.

We hope these clubs and experiences will enhance the opportunities and experiences available to the children.

### Subject Visits

Following the success of our Math's open morning, we are planning several similar events this year. These events will give parents the opportunity to find out how individual subjects are being taught and to visit classrooms to see the impact first hand. The children are always delighted to have the opportunity to share what they have been learning. Information will be sent via parent mail in due course.

### Reading Café

Each term, parents will be invited to attend a Reading Café. These sessions will enable parents to join their children in school to share a reading experience and will involve the whole school. The aim of the sessions are to promote a love of reading and highlight the many benefits sharing a book with others can bring.

Sessions will vary but are likely to include staff reading books to a group of children, children reading in pairs, older children reading with younger children and hopefully parents reading with children.

The first session has been organised for Wednesday 5th October between 9:10 and 9:40. A sign up form will be sent via parent mail shortly.

### Reading Challenge

This year children will be taking part in a reading challenge. Each time they read at home (or practice their sounds if they haven't received a reading book yet) they will move a step closer to earning a challenge certificate. Children do not have to complete a whole book each session, every reading session will count towards their total. We suggest around 10-15 minutes per session for younger children and approximately 15-20 minutes for children in KS2.

*Bronze Award = 25 reads*

*Silver Award = 50 reads*

*Gold Award = 75 reads*

*Platinum Award = 100 reads*

Please remember to complete your child's reading record so we know they have read at home.



**WE LOVE  
READING**

