



**CAMPTON
ACADEMY**

Newsletter - Autumn 2 2022

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Diary Dates

7th—11th November—Road Safety Week

7th—11th November—New reception visits

8th November—Parents Evening (Phone calls)

10th November—Parents Evening (In person)

14th—18th November—Anti-Bullying Week

18th November—Year 1 & Year 2—Into Film
"Minions 2" at Chicksands Cinema

18th November—Children in Need

24th November—Year 3 & Year 4—Into Film
"The Railway Children" at Chicksand's Cinema

28th November—Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

6th December—Athletics Sportshall Festival
(Year 3 selected children)

Wednesday 7th December—All classes to visit
the life bus

Friday 9th December—Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 14th December—Christmas
Lunch

Thursday 15th December (10.00-10.30am) —
Christmas Carol Service at All Saints Church,
Campton

Friday 17th December—Class Parties

Christmas Holidays

Mon 19th Dec—Mon 2nd Jan 2023

INSET Day – Tuesday 3rd Jan 2023

Starting School

Was your child born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019? If so, they will start school in September 2022, which means you need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2023.

Apply online at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/admissions You can also complete a paper application which is available by contacting School Admissions at admissions@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk or telephone 0300 300 8037.

Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a great half term and are looking forward to another exciting half term. There is plenty to look forward to!

Before the end of term children will be finding out how to stay safe when crossing or are near to roads. We will also have our first anti-bullying focus week in which we explore what is and what isn't bullying and ensure children know what to do if they are concerned about another child's behaviour.

Children in Years 1-4 have kindly been given the opportunity to visit the Cinema on Camp. Reception class will enjoy an in school cinema experience too.

At the start of December all classes will visit the life bus to find out more about the functions of different parts of our bodies and how we can keep ourselves healthy.

Children in Reception and Year 1 will soon be starting work on their Nativity. This year we are really looking forward to being able to share this with families on the 6th and 8th December.

As you may already be aware, Central Bedfordshire Council have approved the funding to build our new school on Hitchin Road in Shefford. The local authority will now begin the process of appointing a contractor who will lead the construction phase. In the meantime I am working with BEST staff along with our surveyors to agree the external and internal plans.

*Kind regards,
Mrs Fraher*

Dropping off / Picking up

- *Thank you to everyone who has updated the list of adults who have permission to collect their child(ren) from school. Please contact the office if you wish to make any changes to this list.*
- *Thank you also for waiting outside the gate in the morning and for reminding your child(ren) not to run, scoot or cycle in the front playground. Your support is greatly appreciated.*
- *We are currently working with the school transport manager at Central Bedfordshire Council to try to improve the reliability of the bus service. We will update you as soon as we have more information.*
- *We kindly ask that the entrance to the driveway is kept clear at all times of the school day, particularly at the start and end of the school day.*



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Parent Consultations

Teachers are looking forward to discussing how children have settled into their new classes and sharing details of their learning so far with parents/carers on:

All Classes:

Tues 8th November - 4.00 - 6.30pm (phone call)

Thurs 10th November - 4.00 - 6.30pm (in person at school)

Please complete the ParentMail form, to indicate your preferred day/time. Remember you can ask questions or raise concerns about your child's learning/school experience at any time. Please contact the office to arrange an appointment to peak your child's class teacher or contact them via Seesaw.

Friends of Campton Events

Halloween

A huge thank you to everyone who dressed up and purchased cakes before half term. The costumes all looked brilliant and the children had a great day.

Money Monsters

This term, the Friends of Campton will be sending home a small box containing some treats for the children to enjoy. Once empty the PTA are encouraging the children to do good deeds in exchange for some 'coins' to go in their Money Monster. Children will then be able to add their coins to our big Monster Spinner in the hall.

Christmas Activities

The Friends of Campton are busy organising a Disco for the children to enjoy before Christmas. There will also be a Christmas raffle to enter. The PTA have also kindly agreed to fund a live panto for the children to enjoy in school as well as providing the crackers and other 'little extras' to make our school Christmas dinner extra special.

The Friends of Campton are currently raising funds to purchase additional laptops to enable us to extend the range of Computing activities the children can access outside of their weekly Computing lessons. We would love to have enough to enable a whole class to use them at the same time.

If you are able to help the Friends of Campton in any way please do not hesitate to contact them. They will be delighted to hear from you!

cma-foc@bestacademies.org.uk

Children in Need—18th November

Children are invited to come to school in something spotty. A small voluntary donation is suggested.



Please do **not** send cash in to school, you can donate on ParentMail—select Payments Shop and then BBC Children in Need option. Thank you.

Contact details

Please ensure you keep the school office updated with any changes to your contact details, including telephone numbers, address, child's medical information, etc.
Please also ensure you keep the school office updated with any changes to your child's collection list.

Our Value for this half term is:

Kindness

Please send examples of your child showing this value to your child's teacher via Seesaw or by email to sfraher@bestacademies.org.uk

After-school Sports Clubs

There are no after-school SSG or school led clubs on the following weeks:

Wc: **Monday 2nd January 2023**

Wc: **Monday 17th April 2023**

Wc: **Monday 1st May 2023**



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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.

Names

Please name all your child's clothing. Please refer to 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.** **Bottles with a sports type lid are preferred.**

Milk

Every child who is under the age of 5 is entitled to free milk in school. Once your child has turned 5, you have the option of paying for them to have milk in school. This is a direct arrangement with a company called Cool Milk.

If you would like to arrange this, please collect a registration form from the school office or register on www.coolmilk.com

Snacks

Can we remind all parents that if you are packing your child a snack that this should **only be fresh or dried fruit or vegetable.** Cereal bars, crackers and other snacks are not permitted at break time.

Christmas Events

On **Friday 9th December 2022**, children are being asked to dress in their Christmas Jumpers – or any other festive attire!

A small voluntary donation is suggested, to raise money for **Save the Children.** A link to a Just Giving Page will be sent to you, via ParentMail, nearer the time for your donations (please do **not** send cash in to school).



Christmas Carol Service



All children and staff will visit All Saints Church in Campton for a Christmas Carol Service on the morning of **Thursday 15th December 2022** (10.00-10.30am) -

parents/carers are welcome to join us.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be held on **Wednesday 14th December.** A form will be sent to all parents on Parent-Mail, inviting children to participate, even if they do not normally have a school dinner.



Class Christmas Parties will be held in school on: **Friday 16th December.** **No change of clothes needed!**

Class Nativity



Reception and Year 1 are looking forward to sharing their Christmas Play with parents and carers between 2:15 and 3pm on Tuesday 6th and Thursday 8th December this year. Events will be set up on Parentmail, nearer the time, for you to confirm your attendance.

Christmas Cards

Christmas cards can be given out in class or placed in the Christmas Card collection Box. Postboxes will be in classroom throughout December.