



**CAMPTON
ACADEMY**

Newsletter - Autumn 1 2025

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Important Dates

Tuesday 9th September — Y1 meet the class 2:45

Wednesday 10th September—Y3 Meet the Class 2.45

Thursday 11th September—Y2 meet the class 2:45

Friday 12th September—Y4 meet the class 2:45

Friday 12th September—Individual and sibling school photos

Monday 15th September—Flu Vaccinations

Thursday 18th September—Phonics information session for Reception parents 6-7pm—**TBC** (further information to follow on ParentMail)

Tuesday 30th September —Life Education (all classes)

Thursday 2nd October—Harvest Festival @ All Saints Church, Campton 10am **TBC**

Thursday 3rd October—Pupil Census Day

Wednesday 8th October—Reading Café—Parents welcome 8.15-8.45

Wednesday 15th October—Reception Parents to observe a phonics lesson 9:15—10.15

Half Term Holiday

Monday 27th Oct—Friday 31st October Inclusive

Monday 3rd November—Friday 7th November—New Reception 2026 tours of the school

Tuesday 4th and Thursday 6th November—Parent Consultations

Friday 14th November—Children In Need

Wednesday 26th November—Yr1 parents to observe a phonics lesson 9:15—10.00

Thursday 4th December—Pantomime—Rick Whittington

Tuesday 16th December—Christmas Carol Service—Campton Church—all welcome.

Last day of Autumn term—Friday 19th December

Christmas Holidays

*Monday 22nd December—Friday 2nd January 2026
INSET Day – Monday 5th January 2026*

First day of Spring Term—Tuesday 6th January 2026

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the term ahead. A very warm welcome to all our new families joining us in Reception and across the rest of the school—it has been lovely meeting many of you over the past few days. We hope you enjoy being part of the Campton Team.

Our Reception children have made a wonderful start, working hard to make new friends and settle into their new routines. Across the school, all classes have had a brilliant first week, and it has been fantastic to see how well the children have adjusted to their new classrooms and teachers.

To give you the opportunity to see your child(ren)'s classroom(s) and meet the staff working with them, parents of children in Years 1–4 are warmly invited into school on the dates listed opposite, at **2:45pm**. Please note that class teachers will not be able to answer individual queries during this time.

If you have any concerns or questions about your child, you are always welcome to arrange an appointment through the school office to speak with their class teacher in person or to request a phone call. **SeeSaw** is also a great way to stay in touch with your child's teacher.

You are equally welcome to make an appointment to speak with me or Mrs Allen. Additionally, our non-teaching staff are available on the front playground each morning—please don't hesitate to speak with them if you need any assistance.

Best wishes,

Mrs L Day

Head of School

Student Update Forms

Please keep an eye out for these in the next week or so and return them to the school office by Friday 26th September 2025, so that we can update our records.



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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 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 Bright 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 2021 and 31 August 2022? They will start school in September 2026, so you need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2026. 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.

Mrs Day will be holding **School Visits** during the **week commencing 3rd 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 12th September** to take an individual photo of every child in school. Brothers and sisters in school will also have a photo taken together.

Harvest—Thursday 2nd October

We are in the process of organising a Harvest celebration with All Saints Church, Campton. 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 Thursday 2nd. These will then be taken to the church.

Values - *Our value this term is*

Honesty

Please feel free to share with us any examples of your child showing respect using your child's seesaw account or lday@bestacademies.org.uk



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Upcoming Events

Dawn Until Dusk

Before and afterschool wrap around care is provided on site by Dawn Until Dusk.

<https://kidsdowntildusk.co.uk/before-and-after-school-clubs/campton-academy/>

The morning session starts at 7:30 and includes breakfast and drinks.

After school there are two sessions 3:20-5pm and 3:20-5:50.

After school prices include a light tea and drinks.

If you have any questions or want to book a space, please contact Head Office on 01234 930505

Subject Visits and Events

Following the success of previous events, we will be organising similar opportunities this year. These events will give parents the opportunity to find out how subjects are being taught, join us in celebrating key events and visit classrooms to see the impact of our curriculum first hand. The children are always delighted to have the opportunity to share what they have been learning with others. Further information will be sent via parent mail in due course.

Our first reading Café has been organised for **8th October this will be held before school between 8.15 and 8:40** and will give parents the opportunity to share some books with their child before the start of the school day.

Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs Louise Day, Head of School
LDay@bestacademies.org.uk

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs Carolyn Allen-Pastoral Lead
Mrs Bethan Ruffell
CMA-Support@bestacademies.org.uk

Reading Challenge

Our reading challenge will restart this year. Each time a child reads (or practices 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

Diamond Award = 150 reads

Super Challenge Award = 200 reads

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

Parent Governors

We are actively recruiting parents to join our local committee of the governing board (LCB). Parents play an essential role in developing the vision, values and long term strategy for the school. They also help to ensure pupils outcomes are robustly monitored, the school's budget is well managed and engage with pupils, staff, parents and the wider community to understand their views. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to me or our chair of governors Mr Alan Stupple.



**WE LOVE
READING**

