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BVS FORTNIGHTLY

Fortnightly news update from Bure Valley School



MESSAGE FROM MR OLNEY, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Bure Valley School Community,

As we approach the festive season, there's a palpable sense of excitement in the air. The halls and corridors of our school are alive with the sound of Christmas music, as our pupils diligently prepare for our upcoming Christmas Service at Aylsham Church on Tuesday, 17 December.

We've had a flurry of activity recently, with sports events and a Christmas Tree service adding to the festive atmosphere.

I'm particularly proud to share that during the Aylsham Learning Federation governor learning walk, our visitors were impressed by the exemplary behaviour and engagement they witnessed both in lessons and around the school.

The strong sense of community in Aylsham was evident at the recent Lights Switch On event, reinforcing what a wonderful place Aylsham is to live, study, and work. This sentiment was echoed in our recent parent survey, where we received overwhelmingly positive feedback. While we're delighted that you feel confident in our team and the quality of education we provide, we remain committed to continuous improvement.

Looking ahead, we have a packed schedule for the final two weeks of term. Our choir will be spreading joy with performances at the Blind Club, Aylsham Rotary Concert, and Bure Valley House. Don't forget, our Christmas card post box opens on Monday 16 December – get those cards ready!

Finally, I'd like to encourage your support for the FOBVS fundraising events. Your participation not only helps raise funds, but also strengthens our school community.

As we embrace the spirit of the season, let's celebrate our achievements and look forward to creating more memorable moments together.

Kind regards,

J Olney



ATTENDANCE WATCH

Our target school attendance figure is 97.2%.

Our current figure is… **93.8%**

Our class of the week is: **GREECE with 94.7%**



Christmas at BVS 2024

Friday 6 December	3.15pm Bake Sale FoBVS All cake and bun donations welcome. Please leave in reception on Monday morning.
Tuesday 10 December	Choir visit Blind Club (during school day)
Thursday 12 December	6.30pm Choir singing at Aylsham Rotary Carol Concert (choir arrive @6.00pm – full school uniform
Monday 16 December	Parents' Panto in the afternoon (school finishes 3.15 as usual)
Monday 16th December- Friday 20th December	Post Box open for Christmas Cards. Please ensure name and class are on the envelopes!
Tuesday 17 December	BVS Christmas Service at Aylsham Parish Church. 10.00-11.00am Doors open at 9.30am Leaving collection for Save the Children
Wednesday 18 December	FoBVS Lunchtime Christmas games Bring a maximum of 50p!
Thursday 19 December	Choir visit Bure Valley House (during the school day)
Friday 20 December	Christmas Jumper Day! £1 donation for Save the Children – will be set up on Parent but Cash donations welcome on the day. Santa Dash! Please wear trainers and dark joggers Christmas Dinner! Please order via Parent Pay by 6th December (FSM children will automatically be allocated a meal)
20.12.24 School finishes at 3.15 20.12.24 **Tea Club finishes at 4.30**	



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

The Bure Valley School Christmas tree was beautifully decorated by a team of pupils for the Christmas Tree Festival at St Michael's Church last weekend.

The tree is now in the school reception area, for everyone to enjoy.







25 HALOS
w/e 6 December

FRANCE	**Rian H, Eve D, Martha D**
SPAIN	**Josh W**
BELGIUM	**Eorann H, Scarlett P, Jacob V**
EGYPT	**Mya S, Ben A**

WELL DONE EVERYONE!

YR4 RESIDENTIAL TRIP 2025

There will be a meeting to discuss the above trip, for March 2025, on Wednesday, 11 December at 3.15pm in the Yr4 classroom area.

All Yr4 parents/carers are invited to attend for further information.

Thank you

Yr4 Team



SKILLS FESTIVAL

Well done to our sports leaders who worked hard keeping score for the Yrs 1, 2 and 3 pupils taking part at the Skills Festival with Active Education. Congratulations BVS 2 team on scored the most.





NNSSP MIXED FOOTBALL

A tough morning at Sheringham Primary School as we played game 3 in the NNSSP mixed football league. Late goals at the end of both halves saw us suffer a 5-0 defeat. Well done to all who kept trying to get a score.





NSG COUNTY CROSS FINAL

Well done to all our runners who competed against the best in Norfolk. Everyone did brilliantly in the competition at Langley School, Taverham









NNSSP MIXED FOOTBALL

Game 4 in the NNSSP mixed football league against Colby. A great game to watch with end to end action, ending with a 2 all draw.

WELL DONE TO EVERYONE!



Tea Club Notice

4:30

Finish Fri 20th

There will be no tea club 2 on the last day of term.



NEWSLETTER

Friends of BVS

email: friendsbvs@gmail.com

- Please get your Raffle Tickets in by Monday 9th for a chance to win one of our fantastic Hampers.
WE HAVE EXTENDED THE DEADLINE.

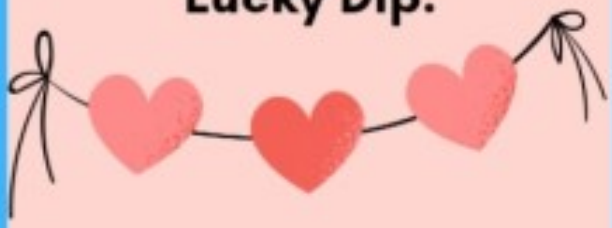
- Christmas Games on 18th, this year are alittle different children can bring in their money, no more than 50p to have ago at winning a squishy and selection box with the school council each game costs 25p.

- We are running a game that the children can bring home and do with their family. The children can win selection boxes for guessing the name of the teachers from baby photos. The children will need to bring in £1 and collect their game from the office from the 9th December. There will be 2 prizes per class.

- Pre-loved sales will re-start after Christmas on the 1st Friday and 3rd Friday of the month.

Cake Sale 6th Dec

After School there will be Hot Chocolate on sale,
Tuck shop and Lucky Dip.



The fobvs would like to say a really big thankyou to Tescos for their generous donation of prizes ,for the guess the baby photo game.

INFORMATION

WHAT IS TACT (FAMILIES)?

The Aylsham Community Trust (Families) are an Aylsham based charity whose vision is to develop a community where schools, families and partners work together to provide opportunities and support which allows young people and their families to reach their full potential.

TACT (Families) supports children and their families in a number of ways including family learning sessions, running lifelong learning courses, workshops for adults and providing a social, emotional and mental health service to TACT (Families) schools. We have worked with schools to help families meet new school uniform costs, and have also supported with providing warm winter coats.

We are a registered charity and are a member of the Sir Norman Lamb Coalition for Young People.

PROUD MEMBER OF Sir Norman Lamb Coalition for Young People 2023/24

FAMILY LEARNING



Family learning days are offered every term at each of our TACT (Families) schools. These informal sessions give parents/carers the opportunity to take part in learning alongside their children. Our friendly family learning team create a relaxed environment for learning activities which can include arts and crafts, cooking, outdoor learning or can have a reading or maths theme.

During the summer term, we hold an annual Saturday Family Learning Day hosted by Aylsham High School. This event, which has previously been generously sponsored by The Rotary Club of Aylsham, Slow Food Aylsham and Ovamill, brings together our schools and a number of local organisations to provide a FREE, fun and engaging day for families.

SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL & MENTAL HEALTH

Our highly qualified and experienced SEMH team provide each school with a service based on the needs of their pupils.

TACT (Families) promotes early SEMH help and prevention to support children and their families. This support is not generally available in schools, so it is fantastic to have this available through TACT (Families) at a time when waiting lists for external services are so long.

We have received really great feedback from families who have seen the positive impact of the care and assistance their children have received from our team.

Referrals to our SEMH team are made through our schools.

LIFELONG LEARNING

Our programme includes a wide range of affordable evening courses and workshops for adults. Recently we have offered candle making, learning a new language, flower arranging, DIY skills and needlecraft.

Our courses can support you to learn new skills to help develop your career or in your return to work, such as first aid at work, food safety, or improving your English, maths or ICT skills.

We also offer courses to help you to support your child, for example, dealing with exam stress, dyslexia awareness, and supporting maths difficulties workshops.

Please scan the QR code to find out more about our courses and workshops .

CONTACT US

For further information about TACT (Families), please contact:
Monica Harding, TACT (Families) Development Officer and Family Learning Co-ordinator
on 07780 887 348

THE AYLSHAM COMMUNITY TRUST (FAMILIES)
CHARITY NUMBER 1205 77

Aldborough Primary School

Aylsham High School

Bure Valley School

Buxton Primary School

Erpingham VC CofE Primary School

Hevingham Primary School

John of Gaunt Infant & Nursery School

St Michael's CofE VA Primary & Nursery School

ROTARY CLUB OF AYLSHAM& DISTRICT

Santa Sleigh 2024



Santa will be here on his sleigh again this year at the following times

Saturday December 7th	Market Square. 9.30am to 12.30pm
	Tesco Aylsham 1pm to 4pm
Saturday December 14th	Market Square 9.30am to 12.30pm
	Tesco Aylsham 1pm to 4pm

Monday Dec 9th– 5.15pm – Start Sir Williams Close; Sir Williams Lane to Gas House Hill; Bure Way; Abbots Close; Stuart Road; Cromer Road; White Hart Street; Gale Gardens, back to Sir Williams Close

Tuesday Dec 10th– 5.15pm- Start Market Place; Cawston Road; Mill Road and Swan Close; Charles Ewing Close; Mill Pightle; St Michael's estate

Wednesday Dec 11th– 5.15pm – Start Forster Close; Forster Way estate and Buxton Road estate.

Friday Dec 13th– 5.15pm - Norfolk Homes estates

Monday Dec 16th– 5.15pm – Start Market Place, Hungate Street; Palmers Lane; Sears Close; Wade Close; Crompton Road; Orchard Lane; Copeman Road; Clover Road; Norwich Road; Frazers Yard; Norwich Road to Market Place.

Tuesday Dec 17th–5.15pm- Start Hungate Street - Yaxley's Lane junction; Yaxley's Lane; Pound Lane; Foxes Loke; Holman Road & Close; Tuddenham Road - Partridge Road and Closes; Holman Road to town centre.

Wednesday Dec 18th 5.15pm.Willow Park Estate

Thursday Dec 19th– 5.15pm – Start Market Place; Burgh Road; Aegel Gardens; Bure Meadows estate; Sir Williams Lane up to the High School exit; then Oakfield Road to Market Place.

Santa will do his best to stop for you as he travels round but if you can gather in small groups to welcome him it would be really helpful!