

16th January 2026

Swimming Lessons Begin - The children showed great enthusiasm and growing confidence in the water.



Bright Bites Visit - We were pleased to welcome the Bright Bites team into school. They taught the children about the importance of good dental hygiene, and everyone took home their own toothbrush and toothpaste to help keep up healthy habits.

Welcome to Mr. Phillips - We are pleased to introduce our new student teacher who will be joining Finch Class for the Spring term. We look forward to working with him over the coming weeks.

Visit from Adrian Ramsey, Local MP - Today we had a special visit from **Adrian Ramsey**, our local MP, who spoke to KS2 about the role of a Member of Parliament. The children asked thoughtful questions, particularly around nature and recycling, and really enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about how government works.

Mid-Term Learning Reports - You should now have received your child's mid-term learning report. We hope you found this helpful and informative.

Parent/Carer Focus Group - Please look out for details of our next parent/carers focus group. We hope many of you will be able to join us. If you are unable to attend, you are warmly encouraged to send in any questions or comments you'd like included in the agenda.

Online Safety

Talk early, talk often. Make online safety a normal part of family life. Ask what your child enjoys online, who they interact with, and how certain apps work. Keeping the tone open and non-judgemental encourages honesty.

Explore together. Show interest in the games, videos and apps your child loves. This builds trust and helps you understand the spaces they spend time in.

Swimming

The Year 3 and 4 children started their swimming lessons at Stowmarket Leisure Centre and thoroughly enjoyed their lesson.

Dental Aid in School

Dental Aid have been into school this week and provided fun interactive sessions throughout the school. At the end of the each session every child was given a toothbrush and some toothpaste.

Painting Workshop

The Friends of Bacton Primary are putting on a Painting Workshop, after school on 24th March. This will be for the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and will be run by Sunflower Artistry.

To see some of the work that they have already completed, with both children and adults, please have a look at their website, link below.

More details on this event will follow shortly.

<https://www.sunflowerartistry.co.uk/>

Diary Dates

21st January—School Nurse to see Robin Class
 9th to 13th February—Children’s Mental Health Week
 9th to 13th February—Tractors to School Week
 12th February—Valentines Disco

Half Term—16th to 20th February 2026

26th February—Bali Rai (Author) to visit school
 5th March—World Book Day
 16th March—Finch Class to Cambridge Zoological Museum
 24th March— Year 5 to Abbey Gardens & Theatre Royal

Easter Holidays

30th March to 10th April 2026

16th April—Yr 3 & 4 to Suffolk Farm Fair @ Trinity Park

Super Learners

Robin - Elsie W
 Finch - Millie, Sapphire, Freya
 Kestrel - Freddie, Alex
 Owl - Albee, Joseph
 Eagle - Freddie M, Olivia

Weather

Please can you make sure that your child has appropriate clothing for our current unpredictable weather.

Attendance This Week

As we know, good attendance at school supports pupils’ attainment and well-being.

Robin: 89.47%
 Finch: 87.92%
 Kestrel: 88.57%
 Owl: 93.75%
 Eagle: 92.5%



Nuts in School

Can we remind everyone that we are a nut free school.
 Please check all items in lunchboxes and any snacks that come into school to make sure they do not contain any form of nuts (including mustard).
 We will remove and return home items from lunchboxes that contain nuts.
 Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Dinner Menu

Week Commencing 19th January

Monday	19.01.26 Creamy Tomato Pasta
Tuesday	Toad Out of the Hole & Mash Quorn Toad Out of the Hole & Mash
Wednesday	Roast Turkey Vegetable Fingers
Thursday	3 Cheese Pizza
Friday	Chicken Nuggets Quorn Nuggets French Fries



Also Available Daily

School Packed Lunch:- Baguettes/Sandwiches/Wraps with Cheese/Ham/Tuna Mayo

Jacket Potato:- Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Selection Changed Daily:- Pasta, Homemade Bread, Seasonal Vegetables Salad Bar

DESSERTS

Fresh Fruit Platter, Fruit Kebabs, Fresh Fruit Salad, Yoghurt, Jelly

Wendy's Special Desserts

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday