

CAWSTON GRANGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

# Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

What a wonderful start to the day we had with our Celebration Assembly this morning. It's always such a joy to share so many successes, not only from learning in school but also from achievements beyond the classroom. This week we celebrated swimmers, dancers, footballers, rugby players, a reading champion and some very talented BMX riders, including some incredible trophies from both Regional and National competitions. If your child has an award or achievement from outside school, they are welcome to bring it in on a Friday so we can share in their success together.

In school we have been exploring the importance of the values that help guide us, both as learners and as members of our community. This week we've been thinking about the personal qualities that shape who we are and how they influence the choices we make. This links beautifully with our Junior Leadership Team elections, where pupils are encouraged to reflect on choosing representatives who stand for what matters most to them. We also shared an assembly about British Values, particularly democracy, and the importance of using your voice to make a difference. We look forward to announcing our new JLT representatives very soon!

Next week brings something we have all been eagerly awaiting – the arrival of our brand-new Immersive Classroom! The 'Immersive Interactive' team will be installing projectors, a sound system, and even wind and scent machines to help transport our pupils on extraordinary adventures. This is such an exciting step for our school and we cannot wait to begin using this incredible space.

Finally, we still have one place available in our Reception cohort. As applications now reset each academic year, there is currently no waiting list. If you know someone who missed out on a place but would love to join our school community, please do encourage them to apply via the Warwickshire Admissions Portal.

**Kate Worthington Headteacher** 

## Reading at Home: What to Expect

Reading makes a huge difference to children's learning, confidence and future opportunities. Just ten minutes a day can boost vocabulary, imagination and achievement. The best thing families can do is enjoy books together – read aloud, listen to your child, talk about stories and show interest in what they've chosen to bring home.

At school, children bring home two different types of books:

#### **Book band books**

- These are matched to your child's reading level, giving the right balance of fluency and challenge
- They have a coloured label at the **top** of the spine
- Children progress through the bands at their own pace: changes are usually quicker in the early years, and more gradual in Key Stage 2



#### **Library books**



- Each child can borrow up to two each week, carried in their plastic pouch
- These are chosen for pleasure children are free to select anything that interests them
- They have stickers at the **base** of the spine: white for fiction, coloured for non-fiction
- The position of the sticker is the key to telling them apart from book band books

Book band books are there to support reading development, while library books are about choice, enjoyment and sharing. Both play an important role – one builds skills, the other builds a lifelong love of reading.

We are fortunate to have been able to invest in hundreds of new titles, and we ask families to help us keep them safe. With care, they will continue to inspire and support children for years to come.

## **Hogwarts – help needed!**



Our new Hogwarts room is in need of some extra finishing touches – can you help? We need:

- Old books (leather/fabric bound, hard back)
- Cloaks and wizard's hats
- Quills or large feathers (natural colours!)
- Tapestry curtains
- Wands and broomsticks
- Cauldron(!)
- Ornate, gold picture frames (large!)

If you have any other items that you think might be useful, please check to see if it is of use by emailing the office!

## **Teacher-Led After School Clubs – Reminder**

Details of our teacher-led after school clubs were shared earlier this week. The online form to request places closes today, Friday 19th September, at 4:00pm. Confirmation emails will be sent next week to let you know if your child has a place or is on the waiting list, along with the start dates. Please note that teacher-led clubs will not be starting next week.

### **Sunset Club**

Places at our after-school club are open for bookings now! Please make sure that you have completed your registration form and handed it in to the school office. You can book spaces at the club using SCOPAY.

To help us ensure that we can order the correct food and have appropriate staffing levels, it would be helpful if parents could book their sessions as soon as you know what you will need. If you have booked a session and no longer plan to use it, please inform us 24 hours in advance to avoid being charged.



If you are paying with Childcare vouchers/Tax Free Childcare scheme, please e-mail the school office <a href="mailto:admin3594@welearn365.com">admin3594@welearn365.com</a> to let us know which account the money is for i.e. Breakfast club or Sunset Club, we will then be able to allocate the funds to the correct account.

A reminder that our extra-curricular clubs (both teacher-led and those run by independent providers) will open for bookings in September.

# **Playtime Snacks**

Key Stage 2 children are allowed to bring a snack from home to eat at playtime. Please ensure that this is either a piece of fruit or a cereal bar (nut free). Many children are taking items such as packets of crisps or sandwiches from their lunchboxes but these should be eaten at lunch, not playtime. We have also reminded the children of this in school





#### **Breakfast Club**

Please remember that all bookings and payment for breakfast club places need to be made via your SCOPAY account, all breakfast club places must be pre booked at least 5 days in advance. If you have booked a session and no longer plan to use it, please inform us 24 hours in advance to avoid being charged. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

## **School Lunches – SwiftKitchen app**

If your child is having a hot school dinner, meals need to be booked no later than 9am via your Swiftkitchen app. If you have booked a lunch and no longer require please cancel it before 9am on the day, as we are unable to remove orders.



## **School Year 2025/2026**

Diary Dates - Autumn Term 2025

	September 2025			
25/09/25	Year 3 & 6 Teg Rugby Festival	Consent via SCOPAY		
	October 2025			
08/10/25	Braiswick Individual and Sibling Photos			
20-23/10/25	Years 5 & 6 Bikeability			
21/10/25	Parents Evening	3.50pm – 8pm, Booking details to		
		follow		
23/10/25	Parents Evening	3.50pm – 7pm, Booking details to		
	-	follow		
23/10/25	School Closes for Half Term 3.30pm			
24/10/25	<b>Designated Teacher Training Day</b>	School Closed to all pupils		
	Half Term – Monday 27th October – Fri	day 31st October 2025		
November 2025				
03/11/25	School Reopens at 8.40am			
11/11/25	Open evening – prospective parents	5-7pm – no need to book		
	2026			
14/11/25	<b>Designated Teacher Training Day</b>	School Closed to all pupils		
	December 2025			
03/12/25	Year 5 Space Centre Trip	Details to follow		
19/12/25	School closes for Christmas 3.30pm			

**Diary Dates - Spring Term 2026** 

	January 2026			
05/01/26	School Reopens at 8.40am			
27/01/26	Young Voices	Sign up and consent details sent via		
		SCOPAY – Closing date 23 <sup>rd</sup> September		
		2025		
February 2026				
13/02/26	School Closes for Half Term 3.30pm			
Half Term – Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026				
23/02/26	School Reopens at 8.40am			
	March 2026			
27/03/26	School Closes for Easter at 3.30pm			

**Diary Dates – Summer Term 2026** 

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	April 2026	
13/04/26	School Reopens at 8.40am	
	May 2026	
04/05/26	Bank Holiday	School Closed to all pupils
22/05/26	School Closes at 3.30pm	
	Half Term – Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri	iday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
	June 2026	
01/06/26	School Reopens at 8.40am	
19/06/26	Designated Teacher Training Day	School Closed to all pupils
	July 2026	
01/07/26	Year 5 London Trip	Consent and payment via SCOPAY
17/07/26	School Closes for Summer at 3.30pm	

Please check dates regularly as more trips and events will be added as the year progresses.

## **Attachments**

Monthly Health and Wellbeing Newsletter









This year's Rugby Literary Festival will run from Friday 3rd to Sunday 5th October. There will be a family day on Sunday, which includes a magical story trail and workshops.

#### The Story Trail

Collect your Story Trail map from the Rugby Literary Festival information point at Rugby Central Shopping Centre and then go on a trail of adventure around Rugby town centre, enjoying a variety of fun activities and storytelling adventures. On finishing the trail don't forget to collect your goody bag.

- Storytelling with Ernie Boxall enchanting tales for children from 6 to
- Magical Bookmarks create your own story-inspired keepsake from MDF cutours
- Face Painting transform into a favourite character with a splash of
- Listen to a Poem meet poet Ian Ward and hear whimsical tales of Woosal, Tousal and Sousal
- · Fancy Dress Contest come dressed as your favourite character for a chance to win a prize!
- Meet the Characters take selfies with beloved storybook favourites
- Design a Book Cover turn recycled scraps into a stunning, one of a kind book cover
- Stories and Songs animal tales by Steve Boyer and lively songs with Steve Redshaw (aimed at ages 5–9 and their families)

  Truth in the Booth step into the School of Rap CIC's recording booth to rap, sing, recite poetry or tell a story
- Story Tree discover a magical tree where stories grow. Add your own tale to its branches!

Finish the trail and collect your free goody bag!





We would like to welcome parents and year 6 children to our open evening at Bilton School.

Thursday 2nd October 2025, 5:30pm - 7:30pm Headteacher talk 5.30pm, 6.15pm and 7pm.

An opportunity to:

- · Tour our facilities
- Talk to staff and students
- Meet key members of staff who will support your child's transition from primary to secondary school

'We are proud to be part of a school that fosters an inclusive and aspirational learning environment. At Bilton School, we are committed to nurturing respectful, resilient, and kind young people, and celebrating the achievements of all'

Jayne Delves, Headteacher



Book your place here https://forms.office.com/e/0wwviQaPwU

'There is such a great atmosphere at Bilton with fantastic teachers to help you achieve.'

'My recent visit to the school was really personal and informative. I'd definitely recommend it.'

Prospective Parent

'As a teacher in the school I know how hard-working the staff are. I wanted my son to go to our local school and take advantage of all the opportunities that Bilton School offer."

'We are so impressed with the support that Bilton has given us so far, we cannot speak any more highly of you all'

Respect Resilience Kindness



(a) Bilton School



If you would like to find out more, visit: https://www.rugbyliteraryfestival.co.uk/home