



## BARTON BULLETIN 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025 No.2

Our School's Theologically Rooted Christian Vision is based on Matthew 7 vs 12

**'Do to others as you would want them to do to you'**

Our vision is taken from Matthew 7:12 "Do to others whatever you would have them do to you", following Jesus' example. We work together to help and support each other to believe, nurture, grow and flourish together in our learning and in our relationships, exemplified in the Parable of the Sower. We do this through our six core values: love, respect, integrity, justice, thankfulness and determination. Inspired by our vision, we want our pupils to make good choices academically and socially, to become creative and independent thinkers, evidencing a love for learning and a thirst for knowledge.

We aspire to promote the skills needed to persevere with learning challenges and the curiosity to enquire further. Our Christian ethos and school values focus on developing children's moral, spiritual, social and cultural understanding. These are woven, like a golden thread, into every aspect of school life.

*Dear Parents and Friends,*

*Thank you to all who were able to attend our Essentials Meetings on Monday after school. For our teachers it was good to meet with you. If you missed these meetings due to other commitments, staff have added their presentations to their class pages on our school website. Please do use the class pages on the website for information and resources suitable to each year group.*

*This morning was a super first Collective Worship of the new school year. With all 117 pupils together in the hall, alongside many new families for our celebration time today, our receptions pupils coped so well sitting under the caring gaze of their Y6 buddies.*

### Harvest Festival



*Next week we focus on our Harvest Celebrations, in art, music and word. On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am we look forward to our first visit across to St. Peter's as we take our Harvest donations across to the church. We will gather*

*together in the school hall to begin, then journey across to the church, proceed to the Orchard, then returning to school. Children are encouraged to bring non-perishable food donations which will be given to Jimmy's Shelter and Cambridge Food Bank - for example tinned fruits and vegetables, rice, pasta, tea, coffee, jams, cereals.*

*Then on Friday next week our UKS2 pupils are looking forward to hosting our first intergenerational event of the year, as we welcome our senior friends to enjoy a light lunch of 'home/ school made' soup and bread.'*

### *WELCOME WEDNESDAYS*

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
1 <sup>st</sup> October	7 <sup>th</sup> January	15 <sup>th</sup> April
5 <sup>th</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> February	6 <sup>th</sup> May
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	4 <sup>th</sup> March	3 <sup>rd</sup> June
		1 <sup>st</sup> July

*Have a lovely weekend, enjoy the turn of the seasons.*

*Mrs. Julie  
Martin*



### Amazon Wishlists

Garden Wishlist:

<https://amzn.eu/aekTeng>



Robin Class wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/jeA9hhv>

Kingfisher Class wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/iVJetZK>

Swallow Class wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/2ZoaTze>

Skylark Class wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/003PcpL>

Owl Class wishlist: <https://amzn.eu/8vE1QM>

**\*NEW\*** Refugee Book List (in preparation for a whole school topic later this term)

<https://amzn.eu/ecDD513>

Thank you for your ongoing support, we are most appreciative of your kindness and generosity.



### Health and Safety

- Just a gentle reminder that we cannot have any nuts or sesame seeds on the school site at any time during the school day.
- While the roadworks are ongoing in the village, we have been advised not to park at the junction of the High Street and Comberton Road. Alternative parking is available on the recreation ground or at Burwash Manor, please can parents avoid parking in residential side streets.



### Other local activities/information

We provide this information in case any activities are of interest to families. We do not endorse or particularly recommend any of the organisations

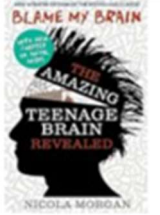
### Parent Reminders

#### Parent Pay:

- Payment for the Sedgwick trip for Swallow class is due on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.
- Wind Band, Boxercise and Arts and Crafts payments are due by the end of September please.
- Kingfisher Great Fire of London workshop payments are due by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September.
- Whole school Ocean VR Stem Workshop payments are also due by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September.
- Please check that you have completed the **flu consent** form even if you do not wish your child to have the vaccination, the link is here: <https://bed.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/cambsandpeterborough>


**Blame my Brain (2023 updated edition - [click here](#))**

Psychoeducation on the adolescent brain for those supporting young people, including reasons behind addiction or depression.



**Sometimes I Feel Sad (click here) - (5 to 11 years)**

A book for primary school aged children aged 5-11 to support children who may have difficulty in communicating their feelings to help them to understand that they are not alone in feeling this way. It can provide a platform for useful discussion around feelings and how others react to your sadness. There is also a Youtube read-aloud of this book – [link here](#).




**Family Mental Health Walk-In Hub**

For families registered with the following GP surgeries in Fenland there is a walk in hub in Wisbech if you are worried about your child's mental health:

- Clarkson Surgery.
- Parson Drove Surgery.
- Trinity Surgery.
- North Brink Practice.

Click the image to view in full.



### Dates for the Diary

September 2025



Sep	
18 <sup>th</sup>	Brain Buddies Session 1 (Year 5/6)
19 <sup>th</sup>	Intergenerational Harvest Lunch
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Assembly and Workshop
24 <sup>th</sup>	Flu vaccinations (all years)
26 <sup>th</sup>	Macmillan Coffee Morning
29 <sup>th</sup>	Individual and Sibling Photos
Oct	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Kingfisher Class Great Fire of London workshop
3 <sup>rd</sup>	STEM VR Ocean workshop (All)
13 <sup>th</sup>	Open Afternoon for 2026 Entry Reception, 2.30pm

### Pinpoint - Cambridgeshire's Parent Carer Forum



**Pinpoint, the local Parent Carer Forum and hub for information, signposting and events for all things SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities).**

Navigating the landscape of SEND can be daunting for parents and carers - which is why making sure they have the right support is key to helping their child or young person thrive. At Pinpoint, we're passionate about making sure parents feel informed, supported, and connected. Our Tii Hubs offer monthly, online peer support - a space to meet other parents who truly understand the journey. We also run weekly, in-person Parent Connect sessions across Cambridgeshire, giving families a warm welcome, a cuppa, and a chance to chat. And when it comes to expert knowledge, our information sessions offer trusted guidance from professionals who know what matters most.

Together, it all adds up to support that's consistent, compassionate, and completely free.

For more information and how to book: [Pinpoint Events](#)

Safeguarding at Barton CofE (VA) Primary School  
Mrs Julie Martin and Mrs Sandra Adderley are the designated safeguarding leads at Barton CofE Primary School.  
If you have a concern about a child, please inform any member of staff. If you think a child is at immediate risk of harm you can access further advice and guidance here: <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/children-s-social-care/safeguarding-children-and-child-protection/>





Dear Parent/Carer,

Across England, millions of children and families are beginning a new school year.

As a father of two, I know well the pride and joy of watching your children grow up. But I also understand how juggling parenthood, work and other responsibilities can sometimes be difficult especially when the cost-of-living is still tough, childcare is expensive, and your time is tight.

Supporting families is at the heart of our Plan for Change. Over the past year we have started to deliver the change promised – new help designed to make your life easier and give your children the best possible start.

We are making high quality childcare more affordable by introducing 30 hours of government-funded childcare during term time, from the end of parental leave to the start of primary school, saving an average working parent up to £7,500 per year – money that stays in your pocket for your family's needs.

We are making family life easier too, with hundreds of school-based nursery places opening this September, and thousands more to come. This means more families can access government-funded childcare and perhaps manage with just one school run in the morning. This comes alongside expanding wraparound childcare available to you outside of school hours, including a free Best Start Breakfast Club which we will be rolling out in every primary school.

We are proud to build on the legacy of Sure Start through our Best Start Family Hubs, a growing network of welcoming spaces. Families can access a wide range of support and services to make the journey of being a parent a little easier – from expert advice on feeding your baby to how to support your toddler's learning and development at home.

Of course, this is just the beginning. This government will keep building support for you and your family to help make parenting easier and ensure no child's background dictates what they go on to achieve. I know that this is also a priority for local MPs and councils, who can provide more information about what is available in your area. I encourage you to get in touch with them directly.

To find out more about the support available to you and your family, including free breakfast clubs, eligibility for childcare offers, Best Start Family Hubs in your area and support with your child's early health and learning, visit our new site that brings this all together in one place: [www.BestStartinLife.gov.uk](http://www.BestStartinLife.gov.uk).

I also wanted to thank you, the parents and carers, and the grandparents, as well as the childminders, early educators, teachers and health workers, for all you do to give children the best start in life.

Nothing will stop me in my mission to back families like yours through our Plan for Change, to build a better future for you, for your children, and for Britain.

All best wishes,

Keir Starmer



# Open Event

25<sup>th</sup> September 2025

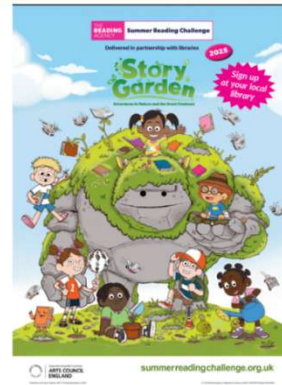
4:00 – 5:30pm

**Unlocking each child's superpowers**

*Martin Bacon Academy (inc The Link) achieved 'Outstanding' ratings across all four judgements by Ofsted in October 2024.*

<https://www.martinbacon.academy/prospectus-the-link/>

Celebrating a fabulous summer of reading!



Over 6900 children took part in this year's Library Summer Reading Challenge, Story Garden. We are looking forward to welcoming many of them to their local library during September to receive their finisher's certificate and medal at a special Award Ceremony. We're delighted to report that many children read more than six books over the holidays. So, if you could celebrate your children's achievement in school, and remind them their library is there for them all year round, that would be brilliant.

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Thank you. Cambridgeshire Libraries Team

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE SKILLS**

## Parenting Puzzle

★ Join Our FREE 10-Week Course! ★

Parenting isn't always easy—but you don't have to do it alone! Join us for Parenting Puzzle, a relaxed and supportive 10-week course designed to help parents share experiences, learn new strategies, and build confidence.

**The Four Constructs of the Nurturing Programme**

**Emotional Health**

**Tuesdays | 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM**  
 Grove Primary School Community Room  
**CB4 2NB**  
 Starts 16th Sep – Ends 25th Nov 2025  
 (No session Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Oct)

**Why join?**

- ✓ Gain practical parenting tips
- ✓ Connect with other families
- ✓ Build confidence & positivity
- ✓ Get support from experienced facilitators

This is our 13th Parenting Puzzle, and it's always a hit with parents!

⚠ Limited places available! Sign up today and give yourself and your child the gift of a more confident, connected, and positive parenting journey.

Register your interest or sign up by contacting Parenting Puzzle Course Leaders - Ros and Darcey  
 Email: [northcambridgeparentingpuzzle@gmail.com](mailto:northcambridgeparentingpuzzle@gmail.com)  
 Family Links Registered Charity 1062514

# OCTOBER HALF-TERM RUGBY CAMPS

## YEAR 1- YEAR 7

**CAMBRIDGE RUGBY CLUB**

MONDAY 21<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
 TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> 9:30AM-3:30PM  
 WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup>  
 THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AT CAMBRIDGE RUGBY CLUB  
 FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

<https://forms.office.com/e/wqPyYjv4pU>

**FACE September Timetable**  
 All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long  
**£24 each or FREE with School Membership**  
 Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Understanding Addictive Behaviour	15 Sep 10am
Supporting A Child With ADHD	15 Sep 7pm
Improving Family Communication	16 Sep 10am
Autism Improving Communication	16 Sep 7pm
Facing Defiance	22 Sep 10am
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	22 Sep 7pm
Understanding Anger	23 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	23 Sep 7pm
<b>FREE Facing Defiance</b>	<b>25 Sep 7-8pm</b>
Introduction To OCD	29 Sep 10am
What Is ACT?	29 Sep 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	30 Sep 10am
Anxiety Explained	30 Sep 7pm
Understanding The Teenage Brain	6 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	6 Oct 7pm

## Comberton Crusaders FC

### PLAYERS NEEDED U8s 25/26

Would your child like to start their football journey at a **fun, friendly, local club**? Our **U8s team** is looking for new players!

At Comberton Crusaders, football at this age is all about building **confidence, teamwork, and friendships** and developing skills in a **supportive, positive environment**.

Training is on **Wednesdays 5:45-6:45** at **Comberton Village College**, with matches on Saturday mornings.

**Contact:** [membershipsecretaryccfc@gmail.com](mailto:membershipsecretaryccfc@gmail.com)  
**Website:** [www.CombertonCrusaders.com](http://www.CombertonCrusaders.com)

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## BURWASH MANOR PRESENTS CAMBRIDGE'S ANNUAL WOOD FAIR 2025

# THE WONDER OF WOOD

**13th & 14th SEPTEMBER - 10AM to 5PM**  
BURWASH MANOR, NEW ROAD, BARTON, CAMBRIDGE, CB23 7EY

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- \* Willow weaving \* Artisan carpentry \* Coppice crafts
- \* Survival skills \* Local food & drink \* Local folk musicians
- \* Fancy dress competition \* Den building \* Storytelling
- \* Face painting \* Straw bale assault course and much more!

### FAMILY AND PET FRIENDLY

The Wonder of Wood Fair is a fun, family friendly event celebrating local woodcraft and inspiring children to enjoy nature and the outdoors.

### TICKETS

Adults: £15 per day / £20 for the full weekend  
Under 16s: £3 per day

[www.thewonderofwoodfair.com](http://www.thewonderofwoodfair.com)

## Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our newly updated workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for **September and October**.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

<b>Sibling Rivalry</b>	Tuesday, 23 September 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or
<b>Understanding and Responding to Challenging Behaviours</b>	Thursday, 2 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or
<b>Sleep</b>	Tuesday, 7 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or
<b>Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Anger</b>	Thursday, 9 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or
<b>Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry</b>	Thursday, 23 October 2025, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or

If you have any questions about our workshops, or the EIFA service in general, please contact [earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

## NCFE CACHE LEVEL 2 AWARD IN SUPPORT WORK IN SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

Course Dates:

29th September 2025  
-13th July 2026

Day & Time:  
Mondays  
1PM - 3PM

Online

If you are looking at starting a career as a teaching assistant or a learning support assistant then our course will help you develop your skills, knowledge and understanding needed to work in school or college environments.

You will learn about the development of learners, the importance of promoting positive behaviour, how to work collaboratively with teaching staff and gain effective communication and an understanding of safeguarding.



## Volunteer with Girlguiding

It's totally flexible and there's no commitment too small. You can volunteer in a group or use your skills behind the scenes, you don't need any guiding experience and everyone is welcome!

Find out more [girlguiding.org.uk/volunteer](http://girlguiding.org.uk/volunteer)

@toftdistrictguiding

We have units in Barton, Caldecote, Caxton, Comberton, Gransden, Hardwick, Haslingfield and Toft just waiting for their next leader!

Visit our website or contact Emily and Jane for more information [toftdistrictguides@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:toftdistrictguides@hotmail.co.uk)

## Education Inclusion Family Advisor Newsletter September 2025

### A Bit About Me

Hi, my name is Samantha Stacey. I'm your school's link EIFA. As an EIFA I offer advice and strategies to parents and carers with a Primary School aged child that may be experiencing some challenges such as routines, sleep, sibling rivalry, challenging behaviour, worries or self-esteem. If you'd like a chance to chat about any of these topics, just contact me on the details below.

### Parenting Top Tip – Back to school toolkit for Parents.

- **Model calmness** – Children pick up on your energy. Stay positive, even if you're a little nervous yourself.
- **Validate emotions** – Instead of saying "don't worry," try: "I know this feels scary, but I believe you can do this."
- **Create good routines** – Set morning and after school routines. Consistency helps children feel safe.
- **Role-play scenarios** – Practice everyday interactions such as, introducing themselves to new classmates, asking teachers questions, or managing breaktimes.
- **Stay connected** – Give your children a small comfort item (note in their lunchbox or a small keychain) as a reminder of your support.

### Activity Idea – Getting your children to school.

- **Rainbow walk** – Spot something from each colour of the rainbow.
- **Secret agent game** – pretend you're on a mission and whisper secret instructions, like "walk past the yellow house without being spotted"
- **Steps challenge** – "lets take giant steps like a dinosaur", "can we walk like a bear/crab/meerkat?"
- **Story chain** – you start the story with a sentence and your child adds the next. Building a silly or suspenseful story together.

Ensure that you keep in mind, some days your child may want a high energy morning, some they may not. Also sensory preferences matter, try to avoid overloading with too much information if they are already anxious.

### Another Resource – EIFA Workshops

- To book, please see the EIFA workshops poster or contact your EIFA.
- **Sibling Rivalry** – 23/09/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
  - **Understanding and responding to Challenging Behaviours** – 02/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
  - **Sleep** – 07/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
  - **Supporting your Child with Feelings of Anger** – 09/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30
  - **Supporting your Child with Feelings of Worry** – 23/10/2025 @ 12:00-13:30

Does your child have, or potentially have, an additional need or disability? **Pinpoint** ([www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk](http://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk)) have lots of information, advice and tips. For Cambridgeshire's Local Offer go to [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer)

Contact me directly and complete consent form. <https://forms.office.com/e/4m8VhG81H>

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