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Have a happy & safe break!

The penultimate day of the year is here! What a fabulous and busy year it has been. As always, we are so proud of our children and their hard work to progress in their individual ways across the year.

I stood with incredible pride at our Headteacher Awards assembly this week sharing all the fantastic qualities of those wonderful children who achieved this prestigious annual award. The following children really do deserve a special mention, well done to:

Orangutans (Y6): Elliot
Gorillas (Y5): Lara
Rhinos (Y4): George
Elephants (Y3): Josh
Tigers (Y2): Evie T
Leopards (Y1): Phoebe
Sea Turtles (Rec): Dottie



We are so grateful to our families who, year after year, go out of their way to support our children. From attendance at events to supporting with reading and spelling, we are so appreciative of all you do.

We would like to extend an extra special thank you to our regular volunteers, who come and support the school every single week across the year showing such care and consideration for our children on an individual level. We really do value your skills; your support enables our pupils to experience more, and grow further academically and socially. On behalf of ourselves and our children, thank you!

We have worked hard across the year to support our families and children on an individual basis and ensure that every child has a positive learning experience and enjoys their time at Buxton. I feel extremely lucky to work with the incredible team we have in place, they are so caring, considered and professional in all they do. I would like to take this opportunity to share my

significant gratitude to each and every one of our 34 members of staff.

Our brilliant teachers have worked incredibly hard to develop the very best provision they can manage for all children, including those who have also had close support from our SENDCo / Deputy Head, Mrs Jo Buchanan, who has worked tirelessly to provide every child with opportunities to thrive.

We also thank our very supportive Governing Body who bring a range of key skills to support, lead and challenge the school to continually improve.

In the curriculum, some of the areas we have worked on this year have been introducing Pol-Ed (Police Education) within our RSHE programme, adjusting our computing curriculum to ensure understanding of modern technology like AI is included, involving parents in the design of our RSE programme (Relationships and Sex Education). You'll see in the diary dates for Autumn term that we have another parental session for this area of the curriculum.

We have worked hard to improve and maintain the provision for our children, such as through our change of operating times. Staff have worked hard to deliver fun educational sessions on a Friday afternoon in Lemur class such as designing, creating and testing parachutes, baking, building large and small scale models, painting and printing and exploring wildlife and biosystems. Evolving and working hard on our sustainability means that we are incredibly lucky to have a strong team of support staff across the school. This includes our teaching assistants, higher level teaching assistants and lunch staff, who are challenged every day with ensuring our 200+ pupils are well cared for and kindly supported. Thank you to you all for your unwavering care.

Our office, kitchen, IT and site team are always working their socks off both behind the scenes and



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'front of house' to ensure all goes smoothly at all times. It can be easy to forget that without the hard work of these teams, the school would come to a halt! Thank you to you all!

We have also been so proud of our children who have all taken part in various opportunities such as performances, competitions and events across the year. This really is something to celebrate; the resilience required to be brave and overcome nerves supports the development of confident future adults with fantastic prospects.

Not only do our children achieve in school events, but they have shared many achievements out of school which have been celebrated in our assemblies via our brilliant book such as climbing and running accomplishments, medals and trophies for a wide variety of sports, reading challenges, charity work and their efforts putting what they have learnt in school into practise at home. Well done to all of our children!

Our PTFA have also worked so hard this year to develop more opportunities to raise much needed funds for the school, with the Summer Fayre today (4-6pm) being their final event of the school year. An extremely grateful thank you goes to our fab PTFA team! Please do come along this afternoon with your pennies for a wonderful community get-together, there'll be food, drinks, ice-cream, games, local community visitors, competitions and more!

We also wish to say a massive thank you and fond farewell to the wonderful Miss Wicks (Y1 teacher). With Mrs Hales returning from maternity leave in September, Miss Wicks has completed her maternity cover in Leopards and has been such a valuable member of our team. Well done Miss Wicks – we'll miss you so much!

Finally, we say a very fond farewell to our brilliant Year 6 children who have done us so proud. What a lovely bunch heading off to the next stage in their education. We wish you all the best and know you'll

go on to do great things! Leaver's assembly is tomorrow at 8:30am, and we will line the driveway at 1:05pm with whoops and cheers to wish you well – families and friends all welcome to join us. Well done Orangutans!



I would like to take this opportunity to remind families of our uniform requirements so that when you're organising uniform over the holidays, this is in line with our policy. This is available on our website in the 'information / office / uniform' section here: <https://www.buxtonschool.co.uk/information/office/>

With the summer holidays now upon us, I thought it would be a good idea to share some links for support over the break. I know many of our families come to us to support in various ways, and with us not being around to offer this guidance as we normally would, please feel free to use the below support systems who are all working as usual over the summer break:

Just One Norfolk: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>
Request for support link: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/60983/Request-for-support>

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/41087/Contact-family-hubs>

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/41060/Get-extra-support-from-Early-Childhood-and-Family-Service>

<https://family-action.org.uk/>



For immediate safeguarding concerns, you can contact CADS (Children's Advice and Duty Service): <https://communitydirectory.norfolk.gov.uk/Services/8938>

All that is left to say is we hope to see you this afternoon at our Summer Fayre for a wonderful end-of-year celebration and look forward to our last day of the year tomorrow, our 'beach day', (non-uniform). As you all head off for summer, we hope you have a wonderful and safe break, being able to spend time some quality time with family and friends. After tomorrow, we shall see you all back at school on Thursday 3rd September.

Mrs Stops 😊

Dates for your diary:

Thurs 16th Jul	Summer Fayre 4pm-6pm Gazebos from 3:05pm please
Fri 17th Jul	Y6 Leaver's Assembly (8:30am) Beach day (NON-UNIFORM, fun day at school) Last day of school
Mon 20th Jul – Mon 31st Aug	Summer holidays
Tues 1st – Weds 2nd Sept	Staff INSET Days
Thurs 3rd Sept 2026	First day of the new school year for children.
Tues 8th Sept	3:10pm Year 4 Horstead residential meeting for parents
Thurs 10th Sept	3:10pm Year 6 SATS & Eaton Vale residential meeting for parents
Fri 25th Sept	Mannington Book Bash trip (Y4&Y5)
Mon 28th Sept	School nurse Y6 & Reception height & weight checks
Tues 29th Sept	School photos day
Thurs 1st Oct	School census day & National Poetry Day – special lunch with prizes
Weds 14th Oct	3:15pm RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) parent session – all welcome

Weds 21st Oct	School Disco – timings TBC
Fri 23rd Oct	NO SCHOOL – half term starts today
Fri 23rd Oct – Fri 30th Oct	Half term (one week & 1 day out of school)
Mon 2nd Nov	Back to school

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