



# BURMAN'S BULLETIN - 17.04.2026



**A** – Attitude; always trying our best, succeed and smile! (Summer 1)



## Golden Certificates



### Well done to:-

Oak - Amber & Hamzah  
Ash - Alvis  
Birch - Archie  
Beech - Inesa  
Willow - Alexandra  
Maple - Rayaana

### Golden Lunchtime Behaviour:-

Raya (Birch) for always being polite and friendly.  
Inesa (Beech) for her happy, polite attitude.

### Bertie's Bonus

#### Winners -

Maple - Well Done!



### Dates for your diary:



- ♦ 20.04.2026 - Living Eggs being delivered
- ♦ 24.04.2026 - Nursery Trip to Twycross Zoo
- ♦ 29.04.2026 - Year 2 Trip to The NEC
- ♦ 04.05.2026 – Bank Holiday - School Closed
- ♦ 07.05.2026 - Voting day - School Closed to children
- ♦ 08.05.2026 - Summer Arts Day
- ♦ 14.05.2026 - Class Photographs
- ♦ 15.05.2026 - 1st Donation Day
- ♦ 18.05.2026 - Walk to School week



## Weekly Attendance

Well done to Willow this week  
For being Attendance Superstars,  
with an amazing 99%



| Oak | Ash | Birch | Beech | <u>Willow</u> | Maple |
|-----|-----|-------|-------|---------------|-------|
| 97% | 98% | 92%   | 88%   | <u>99%</u>    | 98%   |

**At the end of this half term we will be celebrating our overall Attendance Superstars and they will be rewarded with special biscuits from Mrs Phillips – watch this space!**

## Nursery

We started this half term with a final week of our *Springing Out* topic. We returned to find our caterpillars were finally butterflies! We looked carefully at different flowers and created our own observational drawings. We talked about what happens to our fruit waste from our snack each day and we have set up an experiment to observe changes as apples and bananas decay. In English, we explored the book *Amazing!* This provided a wonderful opportunity to explore how we are all amazing in different ways. In R.E. we talked about places that are special to us. In Maths we joined with repeating sequences, songs and stories. We also looked at artwork by Yayoi Kusama and created our own artwork using circles. **Phonics:** Next week, our sound will be 'j' and we will be learning the Nursery Rhyme *Chick, Chick, Chicken*.

## Reception

We have launched our new topic '*Growing*.' We spent our Super Starter in the Burman Garden; weeding, tidying and planting some seeds, ready to watch them grow. We also went on a walk around the school grounds to observe any changes and to spot signs of growing. In English we started to read our book for this half term '*The Tiny Seed*' and had a look at labelling different parts of a plant. In Art we have started to explore the author of our book Eric Carle and began to make flowers in the style of his work. In R.E we started have started to discuss places in the community that are special to us and why. During PE we explored ball work and are gaining more control over different sized balls.

**Year 1**— The children have quickly settled back into school life. In Maths we have been measuring the mass of different objects around the classroom, using vocabulary such as 'heavier' and 'lighter'. In English we have begun our new text "*Katie in London, The Best Tour in Town*", and the children have been able to identify different features in an information text, as well as learning about [singular and plural words](#). In Computing the children have been practising their typing skills on the keyboard, using the shift key to type a capital letter, when typing their names. On Friday, our Creative Curriculum 'Brilliant Britain' was shared with the children. Clues were placed around the playground and puzzles were completed to reveal the world map & the Union Jack flag. We even uncovered a 'statue' of King Charles! In **Phonics** we are recapping [Phase 5 digraphs](#) in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check. Next week, we are focussing on: /igh/ **ie**, /igh/ **ie**, /oa/ **o** and /oa/ **o-e**. Please continue to read your child's Little Wandle book at home regularly.

**Year 2** - The children settled back into school very well after the Easter break and enjoyed a truly exciting and memorable week! On Tuesday, the children were shocked to discover that Miss Saxty had vanished, leaving behind only her shoe! As they searched for clues, they found her other shoe, her lanyard and water bottle, along with a mysterious note saying, "*Help, I'm lost!*". Their adventure then led them to a time machine, which transported them back through history in search of Miss Saxty. Along the way, they witnessed key historical events, including the sinking of the Titanic in 1912, the first flight in 1903, the Great Fire of London in 1666 and the Gunpowder Plot of 1605. Thankfully, upon returning to 2026, Miss Saxty reappeared—much to the children's relief! The excitement continued as the children also found out that they will be visiting the Titanic Exhibition at the NEC on **Wednesday 29th April**, which they were thrilled about. What an exciting first week back!

### Forest School Update



Before Easter, Oak class enjoyed their very first Forest School session. This was also a very first for Burman and we are proud to offer Forest School sessions for all children in school this term. Children explored the site and found lots of interesting bugs who call it their home. Super!

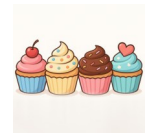
### Other School News!



The dinner menus for the for this term are displayed on the noticeboard by the school gate entrance. They were also emailed to parents before the Easter holidays for reference. Thank you.



Please note that the school phone lines are still down. We are having to replace the entire system but this should be installed in the next couple of weeks. In the meantime, please use the temporary school contact number **07469 912142**. Thank you for your patience and understanding.



A **HUGE** thank you to Faith's mum (Beech) for organising such a fantastic Easter cake sale before we broke up for the holidays! Thanks to her hard work, an amazing £105 was raised for the school fund - absolutely incredible! A big thank you as well to everyone who supported the sale.



**Bottle tops, bottle tops, bottle tops!!!** Burman is continuing to collect plastic caps and tops. Please send as many as you can into school. Thank you!

### Parent Links

**Little Wandle** <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

**Solihull Family Hub** [www.solihull.gov.uk/family-hubs](http://www.solihull.gov.uk/family-hubs)



### Join the PTA!



If you can spare any time to help with any PTA events please contact the office! We really appreciate any help. Thank you.

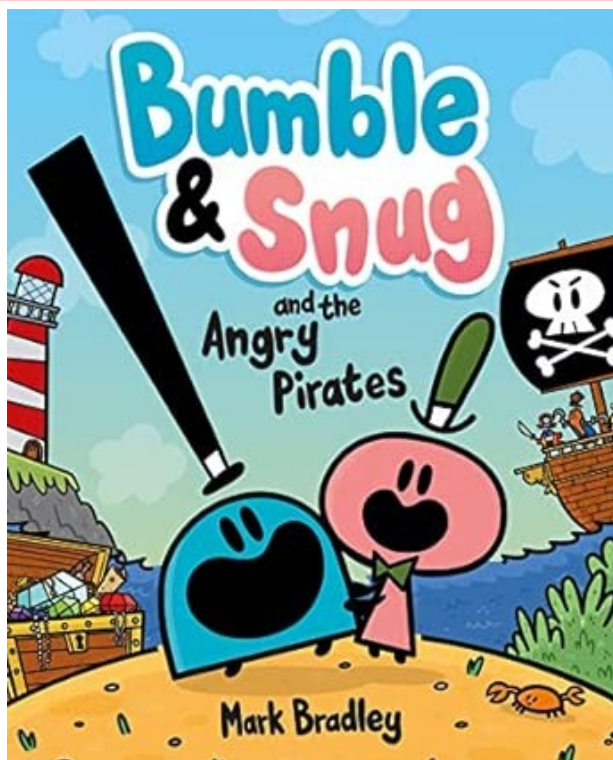
# Books to Give a Hoot About!



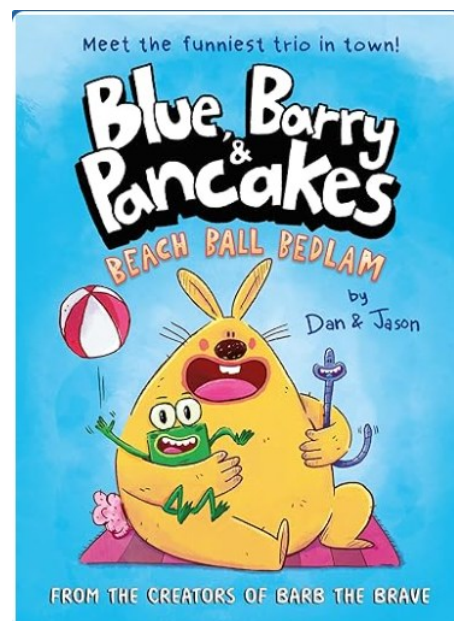
This week we are hooting about...

## KS1– Bumble and Snug Series– the Angry Pirates by Mark Bradley.

This fun graphic novel is about two best friends, Bumble the brave pig and Snug the cozy bug. When they meet some very angry pirates, the friends don't fight back—instead, they try to understand why the pirates are upset. With kindness, listening and teamwork, Bumble and Snug help calm the pirates down and turn a bad day into a better one. The story teaches children that it's okay to feel angry and that being gentle and caring can help solve problems.



Next time... EYFS



## How to encourage children to read for pleasure

### 8. Follow your child's interests.

Children are more likely to enjoy reading when it reflects their interests. Whether they love dinosaurs, space, animals, or fairy tales, choosing books about familiar topics helps build enthusiasm and confidence. It's also important to remember that all reading counts. Non-fiction books, comics and magazines can be just as valuable as storybooks, often feeling more accessible and engaging. By valuing different types of reading, we show children that reading is enjoyable, meaningful and part of everyday life.