

Brize Norton Primary School

Striving, Helping, Inspiring, Nurturing, Excelling

We SHINE for ourselves and each other with kindness.



NEWSLETTER 13 - 03.07.2026

Head Teacher's News

As we reach the final stretch of the school year, the feeling across our community is one of gratitude, resilience, and genuine celebration. The recent spell of extreme heat has tested everyone's patience and flexibility, yet the unwavering support from you meant we were able to stay open and continue serving those who needed us most. Your willingness to adapt, send children in with what they needed, adjust pick-ups, and respond quickly to updates made an enormous difference. It was a powerful reminder of how strong our school community is when we pull together. Thank you.

We also want to acknowledge the sheer volume of communications that have gone out recently. This time of year always brings a flurry of events, deadlines, permissions, and reminders, and we appreciate your patience as we work to keep everyone informed. Our aim is always clarity and consistency, and your understanding helps us ensure no child misses out on opportunities during these busy weeks. If you ever need to revisit anything, our school office is always happy to help. We were expecting some teething problems as we migrated to MCAS, but we hope to have these rectified by September as we move solely to that platform.

This evening, we look forward to welcoming you to Brize Fest. It's an event that captures everything we value: community spirit, creativity, and the joy of coming together. Whether you're joining us for the entertainment, the activities for the children, the food, or simply the atmosphere, we hope it provides a moment of fun and connection after such a demanding term.

As we move into the final two weeks, our focus naturally turns to our wonderful Year 6s. They have been leaders, role models, and sources of endless pride. Watching them grow: academically, socially, and emotionally has been a privilege. Their final days with us will be filled with celebration, reflection, and plenty of opportunities to make lasting memories. We'll be honouring them through assemblies, special activities, and those small everyday interactions that matter just as much. Saying goodbye is never easy, but we know they are ready for the next chapter, and we will send them off with all the warmth and encouragement they deserve.

Thank you once again for your continued partnership.
Best wishes as always, Mrs Jones and the team here at Brize.

SHINE...



Another great result with all our children passing their cycling proficiency tests a few weeks ago. A huge thanks to the volunteer trainers, Lyn Bostock, Jo Glenister, Mark Hicks, Alex Rae, Debs Shipway and Jo Webb who gave up their time to lead the weekly training sessions.

Attendance:

Buccaneers: 96.23%

Hurricanes: 96.37% WELL DONE!!

Hercules: 94.93%

Voyagers: 94.73%

Falcons: 95.02%

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Useful Information

Thursday 16th July: iRock Concert to Parents at 2:30pm.

What to expect:

Reception – Year 2: You'll see the keep a beat by banging the drum, playing keys or plucking strings on guitars, holding the microphone correctly and projecting their voice. Following rhythms and timing with musical patterns, watching bandmates and responding to cues to stay in sync.

Year 3-4: Rockstar stage presence, clear understanding on song structure, independent instrument handling, active listening and responding to bandmates.

Year 5-6: Confident engagement with the audience, complex musical arrangements with smooth transitions, the band playing together and some showcasing progression through solo performances.

Meet the Team – 7th September @ 3:30pm - Save the date!

We will be holding our Meet the Team on Monday, 7th September. Do come along and hear from Mrs Jones about the school's priorities for the year as well as then meet your child's class teacher and learn about what's in store for your child's coming academic year.

ASC Clubs Term 1

I am pleased to share that we are able to offer a wider variety of after school clubs next term. All clubs run after school until 4pm. You will soon be able to book on to one or more of these via MCAS, we will let you know when the bookings go live.

Day	Club	Year Group	Staff	Cost
Monday	KS2 Girls Football	Key Stage 2	Mrs Rae	£25 per term
Tuesday	KS1 Multi-Sports	Key Stage 1	Miss Henley	£25 per term
Wednesday	Sewing Club	Years 2–6	Miss Shields	£25 per term
Thursday	KS2 Hockey	Key Stage 2	Miss Henley	£25 per term
Friday	Choir	Years 1–6	Miss Nelson	£25 per term

Reports – July 10th

Due to the extreme weather last week impacting our Assessment Week, reports will now be going home on Friday, 10th July. If your child has undertaken a Statutory Assessment (Year 1 Phonics or the Year 4 Multiplication Check), this will also be sent to you then. KS2 SATs will follow on the 16th July.

Secondhand Clothing Sale

After school next week on the playground, we will be selling good condition secondhand uniform: Jumpers, hoodies, cardigans. All items are £2 – do bring some pennies and stock up for next year. We have a limited number of new jumpers and hoodies we will be selling for £10.

Transition session - 2nd September – 2:30pm - 3:30pm

To help ease the shift from the summer holidays back into school life, the school will be open from 2:30pm to 3:30pm on 2nd September. Families are welcome to pop in, see your classroom, meet the teacher, and familiarise yourselves with the setting once again. It's a gentle way to support a smooth, confident return for all children.

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Other News....

I am so pleased to be able to share with you the new Brize Book Bunch book... The Shell Secret by Sue Palmer. Even more exciting news, is that the author, Sue Palmer, will be coming to Brize in September to lead some KS2 workshops, but will also be staying on to join the Brize Book Bunch meeting to talk about the book. Don't forget to bring along your copy to get it signed!



To get ahead of the game, do take a look at the next academic year's calendar dates... You will find them at the bottom of the newsletter.



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08:30 - 16:30 DAILY

Boys & Girls
Ages 7-11

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 MONDAY 27- FRIDAY 31 JULY
 MONDAY 10- FRIDAY 14 AUGUST

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The Singing School was established in 2013 to provide children with the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing.

This summer at Somerville College, we will be learning some beautiful seasonal music, and, as always on our courses, we will be giving sessions on vocal technique, music theory, music appreciation and history.

To join our mailing list and for more information on our courses, please see www.oxbridgesingschool.com or email oxbridges@gmail.com

21 -23 July 2026
also 21 & 22 December 2026
Courses for those aged 7-13 who love to sing

www.oxbridgesingschool.com

The Great DRAGON Adventure

Set off on a thrilling Dragon Quest this summer at Discover Bucks Museum in Aylesbury and turn your museum visit into an unforgettable family adventure.

Can you brave the dragon quest and discover the treasure?

Discover, play and explore all day long!

22 JULY - 1 SEPT 2026
All included in your Roald Dahl Children's Gallery ticket

- ★ **The Great Dragon Adventure** - Children will love tracking the dragon, having fun with the hands-on challenges and exploring the Museum
- ★ **Roald Dahl Children's Gallery** - hands-on discovery and amazing science inspired by Roald Dahl's stories
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- ★ **Outdoor toys and games** in the museum garden
- ★ **Gift Shop and Garden Café** with kid's lunchboxes available or bring a picnic

For more details, charges and to book please scan the QR code or visit discoverbucksmuseum.org

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READ to the BEAT

Carterton Library: Summer Events Calendar

Fun with Fossils with the Oxford University Museum of Natural History

Friday 31st July at 11am to 12pm

Travels with the Sweet Zombie Horse

Monday 3rd August at 2pm to 3pm

Abingdon & District Model Railway Display

Friday 7th and Saturday 8th

Francesca Gibbons Author Visit

Monday 10th August at 11am to 12pm*

Read to the Beat: Creative Writing Workshop with Juli Frances Taylor

Thursday 13th August at 10:30am to 11:30am*

Witney Model & Collectors Club

Saturday 22nd August at 9:30am to 12pm

Lego Robots with RAF STEM Ambassadors

Tuesday 25th August at 10am to 12pm*

***Please note these sessions require booking. Call 01865 815125 or pop in to book.**

The **Library**
Oxfordshire



READ to the BEAT



...with a FREE children's reading challenge at your local Oxfordshire library!

4 July to 5 September 2026

The Summer Reading Challenge 2026: **Read to the Beat** celebrates the joy of reading with a theme inspired by music. Children can discover how books spark creativity and imagination.



Finish the challenge and get your own medal and certificate!

Look out for fantastic new books and activities at your library!

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk



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We'll be saying goodbye to our wonderful Year 6s in a few weeks time. We are so very proud of what they have achieved and who they have become ... They are ready to start the next phase of their journeys. We will miss them but wish them all well. Keep SHINING!

Dates for your Diary: 2025 - 2026

Tues, 7th July	Upper School Play Performance 1:30pm and 5pm
Fri, 10th July	Reports and Learning Plans sent home
Fri, 10th July	Last KS2 Gir96ls Football ASC session
Thur, 16th July	Irock End of Term Concert for parents @ 2:30pm
Thurs, 16th July	KS2 SATs result sent home
Thurs, 16th July	Brize Book Bunch Meeting
Fri, 17th July	Leavers Assembly at 9:15
Fri, 17th July	End of Term – school finish 1:15pm

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Dates for your Diary: 2026 - 2027

Autumn Term 1	1st September	INSET DAY – School CLOSED
	2nd September	INSET DAY – School CLOSED School will be open between 2:30pm and 3:30pm for a classroom visit.
	7th September	Hurricanes Forest School weekly session starts
	7th September	Meet the Team @ 3:30
	14th September	Year 6 Junior Citizens Visit
	21st September	Year 4 Bikeability session 3:30 – 4:30 (Information to follow)
	28th September	KS2 Author Visit and Book Bunch Session
	5th October	Sponsored Athlete Event – (moved from last year)
	5th October	Year 4 Bikeability session 3:30 – 4:30
	9th October	Individual Class Photos
	19th October	Year 4 Bikeability session 3:30 – 4:30
	21st October	Flu Vaccinations
	22nd October	Non-Uniform Day – Sobell House Fundraiser.
	23rd October	INSET DAY – School CLOSED
Half Term Holidays – 26th – 30th October		
Autumn Term 2	2nd November	INSET DAY – School CLOSED
	4th November	Voyagers weekly Swimming Starts
	9th November	Hercules Forest School weekly session starts
	2nd December	Whole School Panto – oh yes it is!
	18th December	END of Term – School finishes at 1:15pm
Christmas Holidays 21st December – 1st January		
Spring Term 1	4th January	INSET DAY – School Closed
	5th January	Voyagers Forest School weekly sessions starts
Half Term Holidays 15th – 19th February		
Spring Term 2	22nd February	Year 5 Forest School weekly sessions starts
	Thursday, 25th March	End of Term – School Finishes at 1:15pm
Easter Holidays 26th March – 9th April		
Summer Term	12th April	Falcons Forest School weekly session starts
	30th April	INSET DAY – School CLOSED

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	3rd May	Bank Holiday Monday
	26th – 28th May	Year 5 and 6 Residential to Pioneer
Half Term Holidays 31st May – 4th June		
Summer Term 2	9th June	Falcons weekly Swimming Starts
	21st July	End of Term – School Finishes at 1:15pm.

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