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Buckingham Park Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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Summertime…

I trust that you enjoyed a wonderful Easter break. Wasn't it lovely to see a little glimpse of sunshine this weekend? We're hoping for a great deal more this term!

The warmer weather is great for us in school because we love to make good use of our outdoor spaces – but remember that outdoor learning and play goes ahead in all weathers!

This term, the teachers and staff have some wonderful learning opportunities planned for the children. We continue our creative approach to planning the curriculum and we are excited at the opportunities this gives us to really motivate and inspire the children in their learning.

Very best wishes,

Nick Waldron

School Uniform and Lost Property

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for ensuring that your children are well presented in school uniform.

Please remember to name EVERY ITEM of school uniform. I can recommend the name labels from www.labelplanet.co.uk These stick-in labels are very simple to use and stay securely fixed to clothing, shoes, lunchboxes and other items – through wear and washes. No ironing or sewing required! There is a link to the Label Plant website on the uniform page of the school website.

In the summer, our school uniform includes summer dresses for girls, and shorts for boys or girls. Please ensure that summer dresses are plain, one-piece, gingham dresses in navy blue. Shorts should be plain, grey, traditional school shorts.

Please remember that children should always have a water bottle in school.

New in Brief

We welcome our **new children and families** who have joined the School and Nursery today. We hope that you will very quickly feel part of the Buckingham Park School family.

We will be starting our **after-school clubs** soon. We will be sending home details and a booking form this week.

We are finalising our **dates for the term** this week and we will send you a copy of all our dates so that you can stick it on your fridge or add to your diary.

Scooter Training

We are in the process of booking Haddenham Cycle Training to run Scooter Training during one of our morning teaching sessions (probably Wednesday 8th May). In order to make a booking, we want to know how many children will be participating in the training. The training is open to children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Our aim is to use the scooters as a fun and active way to revise and reinforce vital pedestrian safety messages. The training will focus on the appropriate use and speed of scooters when sharing pavements with pedestrians and will include discussion and practice of who has priority at driveways and when crossing roads.

If your child has a scooter, they may bring it to school to use as part of the session, but it is not essential, as Haddenham Cycle Training will bring some spares and we will encourage the children to share as much as possible (there will be more than one session so we can 'double up' if children are willing to share).

The training will cost £2-£3 per child. We will finalise this amount once we have final numbers.

We would welcome some help from a few volunteers who are willing to work with a small group – you will be given some brief training and lesson plans to follow and you do not need to be able to ride a scooter to get involved!

Please complete the slip below and return to school by Friday so that we know how many hours of training to book. If you can help, we will contact you to confirm arrangements.

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Haddenham Cycle Training - Scooter Training Reply Slip - Please return to school by Friday

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

I would like my child to participate in the training: Yes [ ]

My child has a scooter which he or she can use for the training: Yes [ ] No [ ]

I would allow another child to use my child's scooter: Yes [ ] No [ ] N/A [ ]

I can help with the training: Yes [ ] No [ ]

Please do not send in any payment with this slip. We will contact you once the training is confirmed.