Bulphan
Church of England Academy

Flourishing on our journey
'God's word is a lamp to guide our feet and a light for our path' Psalm 119:105

ISSUE 1

Friday 4th Sept 2026

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

God's Word is a lamp to guide our feet and a light for our path. Inspired by Psalm 119:105

A NEW YEAR..

Dear Families,

A very warm welcome back to everyone at the start of this new academic year at Bulphan! We were very excited to welcome and meet the children of our new Reception class. It has been lovely to see everyone settle back into class so quickly and get straight back into learning. The children have already been busy making speeches and putting themselves forward for roles on Pupil Parliament. We will share details of this next Friday during worship. We can't wait to see what the chidlren will achieve over this year.

Below you will see a reminder about uniform, The children have looked so smart this week and has been lovely to see. As the year progressed last year there was a decline in correct and appropriate PE kit. We do ask that the children's PE Kit is in line with our policy. Many thanks

Upcoming dates/events:

- After school clubs for Reception to Year 6 start week beginning 21st September.
- We are waiting on Camp Epic to confirm their start date, but this club will run on Tuesday and Wednesday after school.
- Our PTA Sponsored Walk - Thursday 17th Sept - We're really excited to start some fundraising and getting out for a healthy walk -hopefully in the sunshine! This event raised a huge amount last year, it would be amazing to raise even more this year! Sponsorship forms will be sent home on Monday
- **Save the date** - Our postponed Summer Fete will now be held on Thursday 17th Sept from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. We hope to see you there!

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Have a wonderful, safe weekend,

Mr Dickson

3. NOTICES

Below shows when each class will have their PE session. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit on their day

Lower School - Monday
Middle School - Thursday
Upper School - Tuesday

A reminder that children cannot wear any jewellery during PE. All earrings should be removed before school or to be removed by the child before the lesson. Members of staff will not be able to remove a child's earrings or cover them with tape.

Uniform

At Bulphan Academy we pride ourselves on high expectations of uniform and presentation.

Our uniform list can be found here.
https://www.bulphanprimary.thurrock.sch.uk/key-information/uniform/

PE Uniform
Light blue PE T-Shirt with logo
Navy or black PE shorts or jogging bottoms during cold weather
EYFS and KS1 Plimsolls or trainers
KS2 trainers

Reading at Bulphan C of E Academy

Reading is a critical area of development and we want our children to be confident, competent readers who enjoying reading a range of books for pleasure!

Reading Expectations

- Read at ***home*** 5 times a week. Each time you read with your child you can date and write a comment in their reading record.
- Parent/ carer to sign every week
- If your child reads 5 times or more at ***home*** each week they will be entered into our weekly Reading Raffle. The Reading Raffle is drawn on a Friday and the winner gets to choose a book to take home with them.
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Book worms challenge

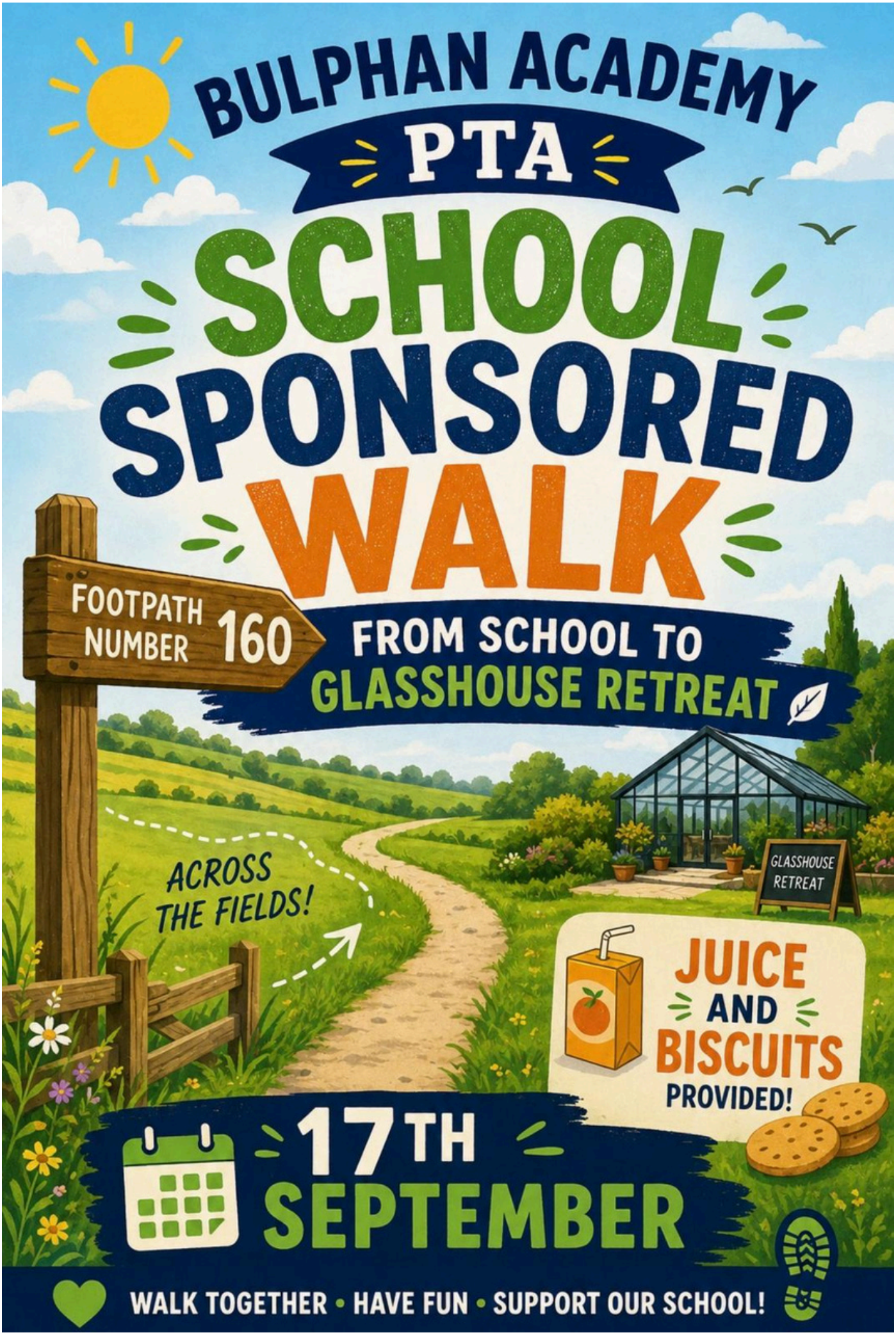
To encourage reading across the school, we have started a new challenge!

Each time your child reads at ***home***, it should be recorded in their reading record. As they reach different milestones, they will earn rewards and recognition for their achievement.

🏆 25 reads
🏆 50 reads
🏆 80 reads
🏆 110 reads

Reading regularly helps to develop fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, and a lifelong love of books. Even just a few minutes of reading each day can make a big difference.

Thank you for your support in helping your child take part in the challenge. We look forward to celebrating their reading success throughout the year!


BULPHAN ACADEMY
PTA
SCHOOL SPONSORED WALK
FOOTPATH NUMBER 160
FROM SCHOOL TO GLASSHOUSE RETREAT
ACROSS THE FIELDS!
GLASSHOUSE RETREAT
JUICE AND BISCUITS PROVIDED!
17TH SEPTEMBER
WALK TOGETHER • HAVE FUN • SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

BULPHAN ACADEMY

PTA

SCHOOL FETE

17TH SEPTEMBER
3:15 – 4:15

GAMES

REFRESHMENTS

Fun for Everyone!

FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM EVENTS

free for everyone, no referral needed!

FRIDAY
3pm - 4.30pm
4th September

SATURDAY
10am - 11.30am
5th September

Community Church Chadwell St Mary
Defoe Parade, Chadwell St Mary, RM16 4QR

- **Take as much as you need for your family**
- **Clean, good condition donations will be accepted at this event**

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CHURCH IN ACTION

Part of:
COMMUNITY CHURCH