



# Germander Park, Southwood and Downs Barn Schools' Newsletter January 2026

## BPP Fantastic Events

It was delightful to take over 260 children from the three schools to see *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* in January. Lots of laughs were shared and the children were very impressed with the magic tricks and acrobats!



It was also a pleasure to take a group of children from Southwood to Young Voices, where our choir joined with 5960 other children to sing their hearts out and watch some amazing performances.



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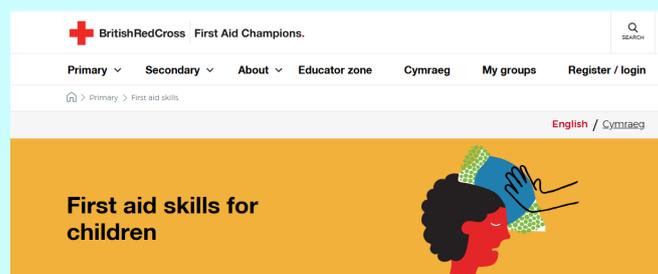
To get up to date information about term dates and other key information, please visit our school website:



## Facebook

We share regular news about upcoming events on our Facebook page. This is the link if you'd like to follow us too: <https://www.facebook.com/Boulevard-Primary-Partnership-114657664463501>

## British Red Cross First Aid Champions



In Assemblies, the children have been learning about what they can do to help someone in an emergency. We have been watching the British Red Cross Primary School First Aid Champions videos to help with this. Please ask your child what they know about how to help a child who has had an asthma attack, is choking, or has a burn! The advice given is always to tell an adult, but the children also learn other helpful information too.

## National Year of Reading



2026 is the National Year of Reading, so we are planning to celebrate throughout the year with lots of fun events and activities!

In the BPP schools, this week, staff are going to share books related to their hobbies and pastimes, as a launch event.

## Safeguarding our children and families

- Please remember that children shouldn't be playing on the school's playground equipment at the beginning or end of the day.
- We have been made aware of some adults who have been using TikTok (TikTok shouldn't be accessed until the age of 13) to spread concerning messages to vulnerable children. Please make sure you are regularly checking what all your children are accessing on their devices and that your children know they can talk to you about anything they see online which has worried them (we repeat this message at school regularly). Please visit: ['What I wish my parents or carers knew...': A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives | Children's Commissioner for England](#) for helpful advice.

### Attendance

Southwood: 95.7%

Germander Park: 89.8%

Downs Barn: 94.5%



## Term Dates 2026 – 2027

### Autumn Term 2026

Children Return to School .....	Thursday 3 September
School Closes for Half Term .....	Thursday 22 October
Children Return to School .....	Monday 2 November
School Closes for Christmas Holidays .....	Friday 18 December

### Spring Term 2027

Children Return to School .....	Tuesday 5 January
School Closes for Half Term .....	Friday 12 February
Children Return to School .....	Monday 22 February
School Closes for Easter Holidays .....	Thursday 25 March

### Summer Term 2027

Children Return to School .....	Monday 12 April
<b>May Day (School Closed) .....</b>	<b>Monday 3 May</b>
Children Return to School .....	Tuesday 4 May
School Closes for Half Term .....	Friday 28 May
Children Return to School .....	Tuesday 8 June
School Closes for Summer Holidays .....	Wednesday 21 July