



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

Newsletter

What a lovely start to the Summer Term! It's good to be back with the children refreshed and ready to learn.

Thank you to those parents that were able to attend our Immersive Open Afternoon and Parent Forum on Thursday. Parents were given an insight into the creative approach to the curriculum as well as an opportunity to get stuck into a range of activities with their children! We followed this with a good discussion at Parent Forum. A full run-down of the points discussed will be shared in next week's newsletter. It was great to see that more parents were able to attend and share their views and ideas this time!

Year 2 and Year 6 children are busy preparing for their end of Key Stage assessments, which are fast approaching. An leaflet has been added to our Parent tab on the website with information about the tests. If you require further clarification or have any concerns, please see your child's class teacher.

This term sees a number of residential opportunities for children in Key Stage 2 as well as other trips and events. I will be taking an excited bunch of year 5s to London on Monday to Wednesday next week. Mrs Greenaway will be available in my absence.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!



Sun Safety

We love to get outside whenever we can and as we are experiencing our first period of sunny weather, please can we remind you to ensure that your child has suncream applied prior to coming to school and / or it is supplied for them to apply themselves during the day. Please also ensure children are provided with sun hats.

Parking

I am saddened that I have had conversations with 2 local residents during the last 2 school weeks regarding inconsiderate and dangerous parking.

They and we recognise that there are difficulties in parking close to the school, as is the situation in many other schools. However, concerns have been raised that parking across driveways, on both sides of the road and on pavements and verges is hazardous as it may impede access for emergency vehicles or endanger pedestrians.

We are contacting our local PCSO for support but we hope that parents will be able to make good use of the better weather by walking to school or by parking a little further away and walking the remainder of the journey.

We also would like to ask all parents to refrain from parking near gates and on pavements, limiting the access to our staff car parks, these areas are used for deliveries at all times of the day.

Many thanks for your support .

ATTENDANCE

We're happy to report our continued attempts at raising the importance of positive attendance with pupils and have put the following in place:

For the class achieving the highest attendance each week, a Friday 'Popcorn Pass' will be granted. This involves an hours treat of a film and popcorn to munch on! Here are the winners from this week..... **Peacocks**

For the individual children achieving 100% attendance throughout the week, their names will be put into a draw. Two names will be drawn and a small prize will be given to the winners.

Our current whole school attendance for this academic year stands at **95.98%**, a percentage that is below the government expectations. Thank you for all your support in ensuring the positive attendance of your child and keeping school informed of any illness or absence.

| Classes | % | No of lates |
|--------------|---------|-------------|
| Little Doves | 97.42% | 0 |
| Little Fish | 99.126% | 0 |
| Little Lambs | 97.04% | 5 |
| Peacocks | 100% | 1 |
| Phoenix | 96.55% | 2 |
| Pelicans | 97.04% | 2 |
| Angels | 97.94% | 1 |
| Faith | 98.15% | 2 |
| Hope | 98.02% | 0 |
| Weekly Total | 97.67% | 13 |

2018 Spring Term Diary Dates:

Yr 5 Residential trip to London—23rd—25th April

Reception vision screening—24th April

Half price book fair—25th April

Year 3 Camp Kernow meeting—26th April @ 3.30pm

Wheal Martyn Trip LKS2—30th April

Yr 3 Residential to Camp Kernow—10th & 11th May

KS2 SATs week—14th—17th May

Pentecost Communion—21st May @ 2pm, all welcome

Year 6 Barton Hall meeting—21st May @ 3.30pm

Year 4 Porthpean meeting—22nd May @ 3.30pm

BB Sports Day—25th May

Half Term—28th May —1st June

INSET WEEK— 4th—8th June

Yr 6 Residential to Barton Hall—18th—22nd June

Yr 4 Residential to Porthpean—25th—27th June

Last day of Summer Term—24th July at 3.15pm.



Save the date.....Sports Day 2018

Please note that our annual Sports Day will take place on **Friday, 25th May**. We have decided to hold it a little earlier this year and hope that we take advantage of the sunny weather we always seem to get in May! If we do have to postpone, we will then have plenty of time to re-schedule.

BBKIDS TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 01726 65471—THIS IS FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY

Please can we remind everyone that scooters/bikes and footballs are not permitted on the playground first thing in the morning. If your child is riding/scooting to school, these need to be put into the bike shelter as soon as they come into school. Many Thanks.

Changes to the income based Free School Meal system from April 2018.

A child might be able to get free school meals if the parent/guardian receives any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit—if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child might also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- Younger than the compulsory age for starting school
- In full-time education

If you feel you may be entitled to Free School Meals, either contact the school office for a form or download the form on the Bishop Bronescombe website under Parents tab, Forms/Booklets and return back to the school office.

Ice Cream Fridays

BB Friends will be selling Kelly's ice cream each Friday after school starting Friday 20th April. Cones will be 50p each and will be sold from the Ark on KS1 playground



Book Fair

Please remember our Book Fair takes place on Wednesday, 25th April after school. Children will also have the opportunity to purchase a book during the day. Y5 pupils that are going to London will not miss out as they have had a chance to look at the books on Friday. If you'd like to purchase their preferred book, please come to the Book Fair after school.