

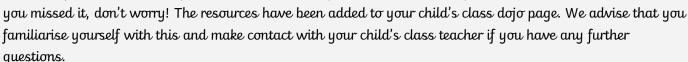
Our School Blog...

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break. We now move into our summer term and hope to be blessed with more sunshine and warmer days. We politely remind all parents that children will need to bring a drinks bottle to school each day to keep hydrated and will also need a sun hat. On warmer days, your child will need sun cream applied before school.

We are proud to share that our school site team have been busy starting the developments of the bee garden. The children have been busy preparing the ground to help our wild flowers grow for the bees. Thanks goes to Gemma who has been leading this project – we look forward to sharing the updates later this term.

A huge thanks to the parents and carers who attended the online safety webinar delivered by the NSPCC yesterday evening. It was a fantastic session which offered positive advice and support and highlighted the key risks and how to overcome these to best safeguard our children whilst using online devices. Remember, if you are ever concerned and require advice about your child's online activity, please do hesitate to contact us to discuss your concerns.

This week, Mrs Lowe delivered an information session for parents and carers of children in year two ahead of the SATS assessments they will be completing. We had positive feedback about how useful this session was. If



You may have seen on class dojo this week that Cornwall Council are launching a new free programme for any parent or carer who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own. Parents who would like to register their interest or who would like to find out more are asked to contact rosalie.smith@cornwall.gov.uk. Terri-Anne has also delivered this course before, so if you wish to seek advice about whether this course is likely to be helpful to you and your family, do not hesitate to send her a text on 07903 613074.

Don't forget, extra-curricular clubs begin next week. Thank you for bearing with us as we trial a new approach to the booking system. For any queries, please contact Mr Nicholas.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Jane and Mr Hobbs





Earth Day

It was world Earth Day on 22nd April and what better way to celebrate than with the discovery of butterflies and frogs in the nursery. With the theme being 'Invest in our Planet' we have been talking about all the ways we can look after the beautiful place we live.

A few children spotted some litter around our beloved school grounds and said "We need to put it in the bin!" Well done children!



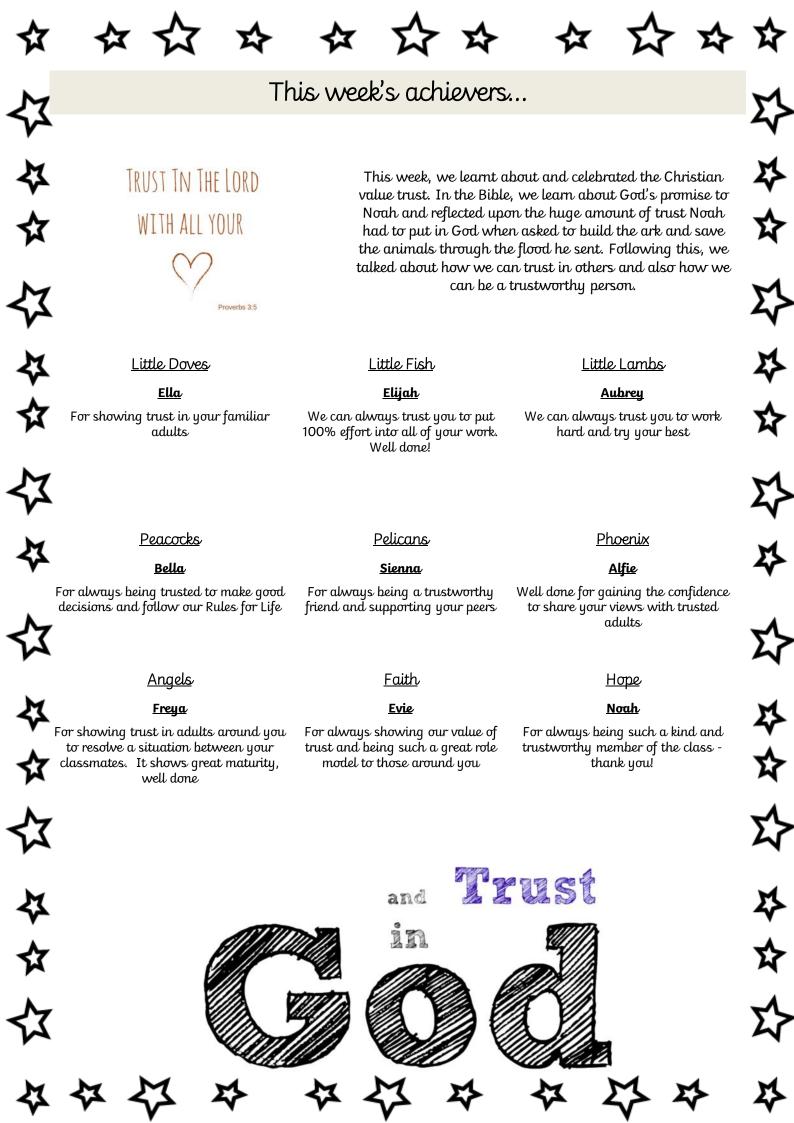


This week we celebrate Mrs Horwell who shared her talents and gifts in leading phonics across the school. She shared her knowledge with other schools within the Trust and we are very grateful.

Our school vision is at the heart of all we do at Bishop Bronescombe and we feel it is important to sharing the achievement of a child who has worked hard to share their gifts and talents.







Amazing Work



Parent Support Bulletin

PSA Bulletin

This week let's talk about 'Money and the cost of living crisis'

Worrying About Money? Click here for some insightful ways to Ease the Squeeze!

Advice and support is available if you're struggling to make ends meet. Anyone can fall into debt - for all kinds of reasons. There is nothing to be ashamed of.

Perhaps your **outgoings** are **now exceeding your household income**? Perhaps historical **debts** are getting unmanageable? Maybe a change in circumstances or **unexpected events** have forced you into financial difficulty? There are a number of ways you can begin to access support. Being honest and talking about it really is the first step.

To begin, you could use this online form to generate some possible options for you here in Cornwall, ranging from advice about benefits, council support and ways to maximise your income. Begin finding the right help by completing this very short tick box exercise by clicking here.

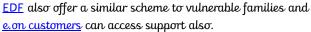
Foodbank vouchers can help in a crisis, please speak to Terri-Anne or a member of staff at reception to request support.

Need to think about **Budgeting better?** Why not try the MoneySavingExpert's <u>Budgeting spreadsheet</u> to help you map out what's coming in and where it's all going. Download the Excel sheet and it's all prepared for you to enter the figures.

Use this link to access FREE debt advice and support from STEP CHANGE around managing the Rising Cost of Living. Alternatively, you may wish to consider a FREE call to Christians Against Poverty helpline (0800 3280006) they can book you an appt to meet with a local advisor and discuss your individual circumstances.

Citizen's Advice say: "If you're having issues with money or debt, you can: talk to us online about a debt problem using <u>CHAT</u> - we can usually help between 8am and 7pm, Monday to Friday or call our debt helpline - it's available 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Debt helpline: 0800 240 4420"

The British Gas Energy Trust can help if you are struggling with energy debts but only once you have sought advice from a local Money advice agency first. Their debt relief grants are available to both British Gas customers and customers of other energy suppliers. Read more here about who can apply.



Community Energy Plus services include:

- · A free telephone energy advice service for Cornwall.
- Home energy audits to identify improvements to make a home warmer, more energy efficient and cheaper to run as well as its suitability for renewable energy technologies.
- Help to understand and reduce energy bills. This includes home visits and follow-up support where needed.
- · A collective energy tariff switching service.
- Free membership of our community oil-buying club.
- Access to grants for heating.
- · Access to free and heavily subsidised insulation.

Freephone 0800 954 1956 or use the link above to view other advice such as how Families in Cornwall can take action to save energy and money by using slow cookers which are incredibly energy efficient and there's some great recipes too!

Are you wondering if you'll be better off getting back to work? A new scheme through Ocean Housing "Building Futures" can also offer support to those

- # who receive unemployment-related benefits
- # who need help with getting into employment, volunteering, training or study
- # who need wellbeing support

They offer:

- Free confidential, personalized, client-led support and advice to reach your potential
- 1-2-1 and group support and mentoring
- A range of therapeutic activities to build your confidence, skills and motivation
- Help with CVs, job applications, interview skills
- Funding for childcare and travel

Speak to Terri-Anne for a referral.

How to contact me: It's never too soon to make contact if you have any concerns. You can reach me via text on the PSA mobile 07903 613074 or via email, terri-anne.old@celticcross.education Normal working days are Tuesday and Wednesday 8.00-16.00 and Thursday 8.00-13:00

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Parent Support Bulletin continued...



Friday 24th June 10am - 12

with guest professionals from Dreadnought and Coastline
Housing

For more information and how to join, please email: Rachel.Coverson@ypc.org.uk











Dates for your diary...

Wednesday 4th May - Class photos Thursday 5th May - Y2 SATS

Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th May - Pelicans class Parent Consultations

Monday 9th to Friday 13th May - Peacocks and Phoenix swimming lessons

Monday 9th to Thursday 12th May - Y6 SATS week

Thursday 12th May - Y6 Residential meeting (3.30pm, school hall)

Monday 16th to Friday 20th May - Pelicans swimming lessons

Tuesday 7th to Thursday 9th June - Y6 Residential

2022 Inset Days Mon 6th June 2022 / Mon 25th Jul 2022 / Tues 26th Jul 2022

School spaces available for September 2022



Other Notices



