



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

Newsletter

HEAD'S BLOG

We continually seek ways in which we can help children learn how to keep themselves safe. We have just booked beach safety workshops for KS2 children in the summer term and safer internet day is coming up. Next week sees the NSPCC visiting to deliver their 'Stay Safe' assemblies and workshops. These will be delivered to children in years 1-6 and different age groups will have different presentations. You should have received a letter about this already but if you there's anything you wish to know, please see your child's class teacher.

You may recall that we informed you last term that we had reviewed our Behaviour and Wellbeing policy. This has now been approved by our School Monitoring Council and, if you want to take a look, it is on our website. The policy details our expectations and how we encourage children to follow our rules. Some children may find 'following the rules' especially difficult, for many different reasons, including trauma and Special Educational Needs. In these instances, different approaches are appropriate and necessary, in line with the needs of the individuals. If you have any concerns about behaviour, please do talk to your child's class teacher. Whilst we cannot provide details of provision for individuals, we can seek to reassure you with general information about what we do.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Carmichael

Please show your support for one of our families whose daughter has been diagnosed with Leukaemia. You can read their story on the following link:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ellie-kitts?utm_id=107&utm_term=meDJnybpN

BAD WEATHER EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of snow or extremely bad weather, we will text out to all parents any closure news. It will also be posted on our website, the County Council website and announced on Radio Cornwall/Pirate FM. If we take the decision to close the school during the school day, you do not need to contact us before collecting your child as this would only overload the telephone lines. Please rest assured we will NOT close the school until all children have been collected. Many Thanks

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

Our Christian values: Compassion, forgiveness, trust, respect, courage and perseverance

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Outdoor Learning for KS1



On Wednesday of this week, KS1 were fortunate enough to do some outdoor learning with Andy. We used our knowledge of materials (gleaned from our science work this half term) to think about which structure would be the best. Each class created three structures and then we did a 'rain' check and a 'wind' check to see whether they were waterproof and whether they were stable enough to stand in strong winds. We decided that the structure that had stable wooden poles and tarpaulin as a cover was the best one. Many thanks to Andy for a great outdoor experience!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2019/20 Spring Term Diary Dates:

Wed 5th February —NSPCC Stay Safe workshops and World Read Aloud Day

Monday 10th February - London residential parents' meeting

Tues 11th February—Football/Netball Fixtures at BB

Fri 14th February—Angels & Faith Bake Sale (see school info later in newsletter)

Fri 14th February—Valentines Disco (more details to follow)

17th—21st February—Half Term

Monday 24th February—Lent Communion @ 2pm (all welcome)

24th—26th February—London residential

Thursday 27th February—Class Photo's

Thursday, 5th March—World Book Day & Parent Forum

Monday 23rd March—Science Team Day

Tuesday 21st April—Easter Communion @ 2pm (all welcome)

ATTENDANCE

The expected average attendance for a child is 96% for the year

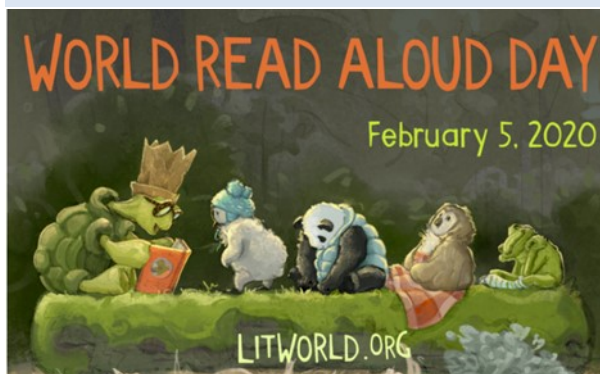
Our attendance for this week is **96.7%**

Our attendance for this school year is **96.85%**

Well done to **Hope** class for being the attendance stars this week!

| Classes | % | Lates | Class | % | Lates |
|--------------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|
| Little Doves | 96.55 | 4 | Pelicans | 98.21 | 2 |
| Little Fish | 96.71 | 0 | Angels | 97.22 | 2 |
| Little Lambs | 98.15 | 5 | Faith | 93.33 | 0 |
| Peacocks | 96.93 | 3 | Hope | 98.47 | 1 |
| Phoenix | 94.81 | 5 | | | |

READING



In celebration of World Read Aloud Day on February 5th, we're going to share some top tips on reading aloud to children. Reading aloud is not just for babies and toddlers, it's for all children even when they are fluent readers themselves; there are huge advantages for children that can only be gained from the process of reading aloud.

Top Tips on Reading Aloud

| For babies | EYFS and KS1 | For independent readers |
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| <p>1. Put them in the book</p> <p>Insert your child's name into the story and read a story about them.</p> <p>2.Point And Describe</p> <p>Books for small children are sparse in words but rich in pictures—and there's a reason for that. Explore the book with your baby or toddler. Describe the illustrations, point out interesting images, and count parts of the scenery or characters together.</p> <p>3. Repeat</p> <p>Small children often want to read the same book over and over (and over). Go with it. Familiarity feels good to little ones, especially babies and toddlers. Plus, as they follow along with the story and start to recognize favourite moments or words, their own pre-literacy skills are building.</p> | <p>Do all that you did when they were babies AND</p> <p>Do The Voices</p> <p>And get them to do the voices too. You don't need to be a professional voice-over artist to have fun with voices while you read. Decide together what the voice of the characters will be like and then add them into the story as you are reading.</p> <p>Act it Out</p> <p>To be fair, this tip is super fun with children of any age. Not sure where to start with acting out a story? Grab a puppet, or just use your hand, to add emphasis as you read. Going on a Bear Hunt is a great adventure to act out!</p> | <p>Take Turns</p> <p>Separate reading passages or chapters together. As your reader's fluency grows, this is a fun way for them to practice, show off their newly found skills, and give you a break.</p> <p>Find Links to Real Life</p> <p>Try to find connections to what they've been reading and their life, e.g. If the character goes to the beach, then talk about a time you were at the beach.</p> <p>Embrace The Big Words</p> <p>Take the time to look up the meanings of unfamiliar or new words: this will improve their comprehension and vocabulary.</p> |

Reading at Bedtime

Reading to kids at bedtime serves many functions. Language and literacy development are obvious benefits. But reading also gives kids a time for physical closeness with parents, which serves as a sort of emotional security check-in. It gives older children the opportunity to soften their defences and talk about things that might be troubling them. Bedtime reading also provides a point of focus and distraction, away from the day's activities and frustrations, allowing the body's fatigue to take over and bring the child closer to sleep. Even in young babies, this point of focus helps them to filter out the stimulating world around them and relax.

SPORTS NEWS

Cross-Country

Well, where do I even begin? Yesterday, the children had their fourth Cross Country running event at Par Track and they all showed such grit and determination and all performed incredibly well! Korey Barnard came 2nd in his race which was a phenomenal achievement and he earned himself another medal. But, all of the children who attended the event yesterday deserve recognition for their selfless attitude and their great sportsmanship. From running hand in hand across the line to running back to support a friend who was struggling in the race, our children are incredible and are growing up into selfless, thoughtful and well-rounded individuals. They all put everyone else before themselves and it was an absolute pleasure and a joy to see! Well done to all those who took part in these races, I am honoured to be able to witness your achievements and your admirable attitudes. Miss Edney

SCHOOL NOTICES PAGE

The
Children's
Society

No child
should feel
alone

Thank you so much for your donations at our Nativities and our Christingle Service, we raised £278.69, for The Children's Society.

Below are our INSET days for 2020/2021

Thursday 3rd September 2020

Friday 4th September 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020

Thursday 1st April 2021

Friday 11th June 2021

We will be holding a bake sale on Friday 14th February to help raise funds for one of our parents who will be running the London Marathon in April. Proceeds go towards: MIND: Penhaligon's Friends, Grenville Ward at Treliske. Many thanks for your continued support.

BB Valentines Disco—Friday 14th February

Reception & KS1—2pm—3pm (normal pick up)

KS2—3.15pm—4.15pm

£1 ENTRY & £1 SNACK PACK

Children to bring in disco clothes and money to be given to TA's in the morning.

SENT ON BEHALF OF THE DEVON & CORNWALL AUTISTIC SOCIETY

Free training in Positive Approaches to Challenging Behaviour

This is a one-day training course which will provide a foundation level of understanding about challenging behaviours presented by people with learning disabilities.

Not everyone with a learning disability will display behaviours which are deemed challenging but most are vulnerable to this occurring during their lifetime. For this reason the training takes a preventative perspective—looking at how we understand behaviours and the environments which are most likely to make them happen.

The training consists of five units:

1. Definitions of challenging behaviour.
2. Development of the Positive Behavioural Support (PBS) model.
3. Introduction to the ABC model of human behaviour, and how this helps us understand challenging behaviour.
4. The impact of personal and environmental factors on the development of challenging behaviour and creating Helpful Environments.
5. Basic principles of PBS intervention: Primary, Secondary and Reactive Strategy.

The training will take place 9.30am—3pm at Spectrum's head offices, Underground House, Trevisson Park, Blackwater, Truro, TR4 8UN
Friday 14th February and Friday 6th March.

You do not need to bring any materials, everything will be provided.

Spaces are limited. To book a place, or for further details, please email Mark Hilley at mark@dcautisticsociety.co.uk

PSEA will be running a training day for parents, carers (and supporting family members) in Newquay, Cornwall on 24 March 2020 at Autism Cornwall, Newquay.

Our one-day training is designed specifically for parents, carers and supporting family members, providing you with an introduction to the law on special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and empowering you to secure the right education for your child.

For more information please go to:

<https://www.ipsea.org.uk/Event/newquay-introduction-to-sen-law-2032020>

Please note: Whilst we may advertise clubs, activities or organisations in our newsletter, Bishop Bronescombe School are not responsible for carrying out checks on these external groups. Parents/carers should ensure that they are satisfied that the correct insurance, qualifications and DBS checks are in place to ensure the welfare of their children if they participate or attend such events/clubs etc.

PSA CONTACT DETAILS—01726 64322 or 07903 613074

Working days Monday 08:30—16:30, Wednesday 08:30—16:30 and Thursdays 08:30—13:30