



HEAD'S BLOG...

We have had the experience of having to ask pupils to self-isolate again this week and again implemented our remote learning plan. Things have gone well and I have received good feedback from parents and pupils. You will remember that 2 classes had to stay at home before half-term and we surveyed parents to find out their thoughts on how our Remote Education plan worked. This was a very worthwhile exercise as the findings were reviewed with staff and helped to improve things for children that had to learn at home this week. Comments received included:

"The Little Lambs team have been awesome over the past couple of days." and

"Just a quick note to say thankyou, as post home schooling survey, the quality of home schooling material has increased significantly."

A summary of survey results and actions is coming out in a separate letter.

Well done to all our self-isolating pupils (and their teachers and TAs) this week. You have done an excellent job in tackling your remote learning. I've loved seeing what has been achieved at home and am proud of you all.

Parent Communication We love Class Dojo and really enjoy sharing with you the learning that is going on in the classroom. I certainly believe that this has helped in assuring parents that children are enjoying being back in the classroom, learning and socialising. I am also aware that a number of teachers spend a great deal of their time posting photos and messages, which can be quite time-consuming. I have therefore reviewed this with teachers and have agreed with them a minimum expectation of a summary post weekly, which will provide a snapshot of the highlights of the week. If you miss it on Dojo, this will also be added to the Class Blog on the website. Teachers will still use Dojo as a means of communicating class messages, tips and support as we recognise this is a great way of sharing information with you all.

Christmas Please check out our diary dates section for more information about planned Christmas events. Unfortunately, no Secret Santa this year due to Covid restrictions. However, we are still planning lots of Christmas fun!

Debbie Carmichael

Coronavirus reminders If your child develop any symptoms of Coronavirus (persistent cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell), s/he MUST NOT come to school and school must be informed. Call 119 or get a test online at:

<https://self-referral.test-for-coronavirus.service.gov.uk/antigen/name>

High temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature).

A new, continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)

A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

If you believe that your child is well enough to attend school and they have only symptoms of a 'common cold' such as: runny nose, sore throat or a mild cough they are permitted to attend.

The new NHS COVID-19 app, now available to download for free in England and Wales, is the fastest way to see if you're at risk from coronavirus. The faster you know, the quicker you can alert and protect your loved ones and community. The app has a number of tools to protect you, including contact tracing, local area alerts and venue check-in. It uses proven technology from Apple and Google, designed to protect every user's privacy. You can download the app from:

<https://www.covid19.nhs.uk/>

NB: All absences must be reported to our school office by calling 01726 64322. You can leave a message if outside of office hours. Please DO NOT report absences via Class Dojo. Thank you.



Achievers this week



Each week we will be awarding children who have gone the extra mile with the following:

- **Achiever Certificate** - for showing awesome learning behaviours
- **Christian Value Certificate**—for showing how we can demonstrate our Christian Values.

Doves

Macey

For using her art skills to create a lovely picture.

Fish

Bella

For improved focus during independent times.

Lambs

Emma

For amazing home learning and always trying her best in class.

Pelicans

Archie

For an amazing shadow puppet performance.

Peacocks

Jenson

For always putting 100% effort in to everything.

Phoenix

Finley

For increased focus and hard work in lessons.

Angels

Matthew

For persevering with your handwriting and for using a range of new writing techniques and vocabulary in your re-write of La Luna.

Faith

Korey

For focus in English and showing amazing effort.

Hope

Tyler

For showing resilience when learning long division.

These children have been awarded with a certificate for showing our Christian value of compassion:

Doves - Ethan

Pelicans - Poppy

Angels - Kaytlin

Fish- Livia

Peacocks - Jenson

Faith - Kyran

Lambs- Emma

Phoenix - Finley

Hope - Morveren

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2020/21 Autumn Term Diary Dates:

Fri 27th November—Inset day

Week beginning 7th December—Christmas crafts week

Fri 11th December—Silly Santa day

Week beginning 14th December—Christmas party and virtual panto week

Tues 15th December—Christingle

Wed 16th December—Christmas lunch

Mon 21st December-Fri 1st January—Christmas holidays

Mon 4th January 2021—Back to school

Mon 15th February 2021-Fri 19th February 2021—Half term

Fri 2nd Apr 2021-Fri 16th April 2021—Easter holidays

Mon 3rd May 2021—Bank Holiday

Mon 31st May 2021-Fri 4th June 2021—Half term

Fri 23rd July 2021—Last day of term

Polite reminder: Please drop your child off and pick them up at their class allocated times only. The only exceptions are if there are siblings with different start and finish times. Teachers are generously supervising children outside of their usual teaching hours in the current situation (as well as having reduced lunchtimes) and we ask that this is not abused. Thank you.

teaching hours



Online safety update—Online gaming Do you feel overwhelmed in a world of constantly advancing technology? Do you find it difficult ensuring a healthy balance of online and offline activities? Are you worried about the potential harms caused by online games? Did you know that there are blurred lines between gaming and gambling? Do you want to know more about how you can safeguard children using safety settings and awareness? YGAM for parents can help! The Young Gamers and Gamblers Education Trust (YGAM) is a national charity with a social purpose to inform, educate and safeguard young and vulnerable people, helping them build resilience and understand the potential harms caused by gambling and gaming. Click on www.parents.ygam.org for information, activities and advice.



Reminder: you can still arrange a telephone appointment to discuss your child's Autumn summary report if needed. Please call 01726 64322 to arrange a time or contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo!

OTHER NOTICES

School Admissions

The online application process for Starting School in September 2021 is now underway. Detailed information about the admissions process is available online or on request from the School Admissions Team.

Please ensure you name **more than one preference**. It will not mean less chance of securing place at your preferred school. Please note that if you do not apply on time, your preferred school's may already be full.

If you need support with your application process, please contact the office, the Family Information Service (0800 587 8191) or School Admissions Team (0300 1234 101).

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLYING FOR A SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE IS SATURDAY 31st OCTOBER PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU APPLY IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO



This week we focussed on anti-bullying.

Odd socks day was a great success!!

The children thought about being united against bullying and the part that they would play.



BB-Conn-ect Virtual Coffee Morning and Support Wednesday 25th November 10.00-11.00am

This will be our 3rd Virtual support meeting and anyone is welcome to join. We offer a warm and friendly place to chat with BB's Parent support advisor and other parents/carers.

We recognise that building and maintaining 'connections' with others can promote improved wellbeing and that good parental mental health and wellbeing directly feeds into the wellbeing of children.

Here at BB we are trying to do all we can to find ways to connect with you. This coffee morning enables you to link up with others but from the comfort of your own home.

If you would like to included, please text Terri-Anne on 07903 613074.

Please provide an email address as you will be sent a link for your to be able to join the meeting via Microsoft Teams.



Nasal Flu Vaccinations

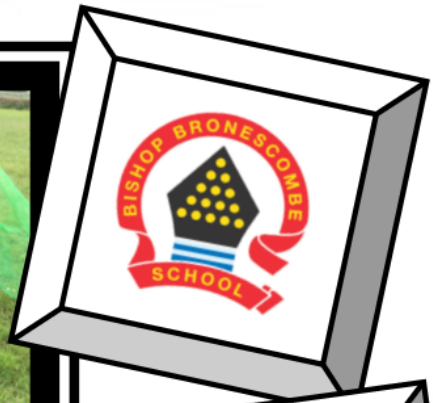
We were pleased to note that the majority of pupils received their nasal flu vaccination on Wednesday. The children were fantastic throughout the process.

Unfortunately, it would appear that a small number of pupils were missed and did not receive the vaccination despite parental consent being submitted via the NHS website. If your child did receive the vaccine, you will have received an email confirming this with the batch number given.

If you believe your child has not received the vaccination, please call or doo our school office and we will advise if they are due to be vaccinated when the School Immunisation Team return the week beginning Monday, 30th November. Alternatively we can put you in touch with Kernow Health to check on your child's consent status.



Morning and
afternoon
spaces now!
available!



High quality
teacher-led nursery
provision

**Come and join
the fun at**

BBeebies Nursery

at Bishop Bronescombe C of E School

"Staff provide high-quality opportunities for children providing a solid foundation for future learning. Relationships across the Nursery class are nurturing and children are well prepared for when they start the Reception Year."

Ofsted

Contact us on 01726 64322 or email
bishopbronescombe.secretary@celticcross.education
get more information or book a visit!

Lots of outdoor
learning
opportunities!



Child led approaches
to learning within a
nurturing, homely
environment



Funded sessions
available

Dedicated and
experienced
staff



Fresh and
healthy snacks
provided daily