Another busy week at BB and there's no doubt Christmas is on the way!

Our lovely 'Friends of BB' did a fantastic job as always on Wednesday, ensuring children could purchase surprise gifts for their loved ones on Secret Santa day. This is probably my favourite event of the year as you see the children's delight in experiencing the joy of giving! I hope you love your gifts as much as the children loved selecting and giving them!



On Thursday, Rev Jules led our Advent Communion—a lovely occasion in which the children's passionate singing really shone. Thank you to Mrs Freight for ensuring the children all sung so brilliantly!

The finishing touches for our nativity performances are currently being made and I know both staff and pupils are looking forward to the shows next week. There are still a few tickets left for Year 5 and 6 —please call into the office if you'd like an extra one!

Don't forget—it's our school Christmas Lunch day on Wednesday. Please ensure payment is made on ParentPay before Wednesday.

And finally.... It's Christmas Jumper day on Friday! We will be collecting donations as usual for this great cause.

Hope to see you at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday, 2-4pm!

Mrs Carmichael

Christmas Jumper day— 15th December—donations of £1 for Save the Children



KS1 Art exhibition

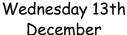
Parents and members of the public were treated to a glimpse 'Under the Sea' on Thursday as year 1 and 2 children presented a selection of their art work inspired by this term's topic. Parents commented on how proud the children were of their work and how wonderful it was to see them so excited to share their learning. Thank you to Bethel Chapel for allowing us to use their hall for the exhibition. The money raised by the event will go towards activities planned for next term's topic!

St Luke's Church Christmas Fair—Saturday 9th December 2pm—4pm



Santa's grotto Christmas Crafts Tombola's Raffle Children's games

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT



December

BISHOP BRONESCOMBE SCHOOL

5pm-5.45pm

Please join us for a short service including performances from the school choir



Applying for a reception place for September 2018 - If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 you will need to apply for a reception class place. Please visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions to complete the online application form. This will need to be completed by 15th January 2018. Please note that attending a school's nursery does note guarantee your child a place at the school—you still need to apply.

Autumn Term Diary Dates:

St Luke's Christmas Fair—9th December
EYFS Christmas Nativity—11th December 10am & 2.30pm
KS1 Christmas Play—12th December 10am & 2.30pm
Christmas Lunch—13th December
Christmas Carol Service—13th December 5pm

LKS2 Christmas Play—14th December 10am & 2.30pm
UKS2 Christmas Play—15th December 10am & 2.30pm
Christmas Jumper Day—15th December

End of Autumn Term—20th December, school finishes at 3.15pm, BBKids will NOT be running.



School attendance by classes.

Government guidelines state that attendance should be 96.1%.

Please ensure your child only takes time off for medical reasons. If they are unwell and absent from school please call the office on 01726 64322, as this could result in an unauthorised absence if no reason is given.

Please note Reception children have not been included in our attendance report due to not being of statutory school age, this will be subject to change in the Spring Term.

DID YOU KNOW?

Being 10 minutes late every day means your child misses 32 hours of lesson time each year.

This is equivalent to 6 whole school days lost out of class per year!

Just 1 day off each week means 2 months' of lost education; that's 7.5 weeks, or a whole half term of missed lessons!

Classes	%	No of lates
Little Doves	94.07%	0
Little Fish	92.96%	2
Little Lambs	92.62%	5
Peacocks	99.63%	4
Phoenix	96.96%	0
Pelicans	94.25%	2
Angels	96.03%	3
Faith	96.17%	0
Норе	96.17%	1
Total	95.12%	17

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 hour's 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 stands at 96%, a percentage that is in line with 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.