



"Learning that lasts a lifetime"

Newsletter

HEAD'S BLOG

A busy week at Bishop Bronescombe... We started with World Religion Day when pupils discovered more about a range of world religions and cultures. Our Collective Worship focussed on the Hindu story—'The Six Blind Men and the Elephant'. The children readily made links to how all religions have their own versions of God and have their 'truth', leading onto discussion about the importance of tolerance and understanding of others. It's so great to hear how our young people can understand and are willing to think this way!

I am sad to share that our fabulous secretary, Mrs Kay, will be leaving us at the end of this half-term and will be taking on new challenges in a very different field. She will leave big boots to fill but we will do our utmost to find a worth replacement! If you know of anyone looking for a varied, challenging and rewarding administrative role, further details and information about how to apply can be found at :

<https://www.celticcross.education/vacancies>

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Carmichael

Local MP 'grilled' by BB's Parliament!

On Thursday, our School Parliament were visited by our local MP, Steve Double. The children were very eager to listen to Steve's story of how he became an MP, what his job entails and some of the projects he is currently working on, before asking him lots of questions of their own, ranging from, 'How are you tackling homelessness in St Austell?' and 'What are the government doing about climate change?', to 'What is your favourite pizza topping?'

The children were an absolute credit to themselves and our school, and both Steve, and his wife Anne left commenting on how fantastic their questions were, and how brilliant a job they are doing of being our School MPs!



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

PHOTO PAGE

World Religion Day!

On Monday of this week, we celebrated World Religion Day. The children took part in lots of activities that allowed them to understand and appreciate the beliefs and practices of other world faiths. In Foundation stage the children learnt about Buddhism and thought about differences and similarities between themselves and Buddhists. In KS1, the children focused on the Jewish faith, they learned some Jewish dancing, made challah bread and found out how Jewish people celebrate Shabbat. In LKS2, the children looked at Buddhism, Islam and Judaism, thinking about places of worship, symbols that the different faiths use and the ways in which people who have these faiths live. UKS2 focused on Hinduism and made naan bread; designed Rangoli patterns and practised a Hindu dance.

It was a brilliant day, which provided great opportunities for the children to become more aware of the wider world and how people can have different beliefs to us. One of the children during the day, said, "It's important to find out what other people believe because this helps us to understand what we believe and why we believe it."



School Parliament's non-uniform day in aid of Australian Wildlife Charities...



Friday was our non-school uniform day to raise money for the WWF's Australian Bushfire appeal. The day was organised completely by our School Parliament, who felt very passionate about the devastation caused by the fires in Australia. We are very proud to say that we have raised a total of £252.08

Thank you so much for your support and donations.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2019/20 Spring Term Diary Dates:

Tues 28th January—Football/Netball Fixtures at home
 Wed 5th February —NSPCC Stay Safe workshops
 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
 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

Sporting News



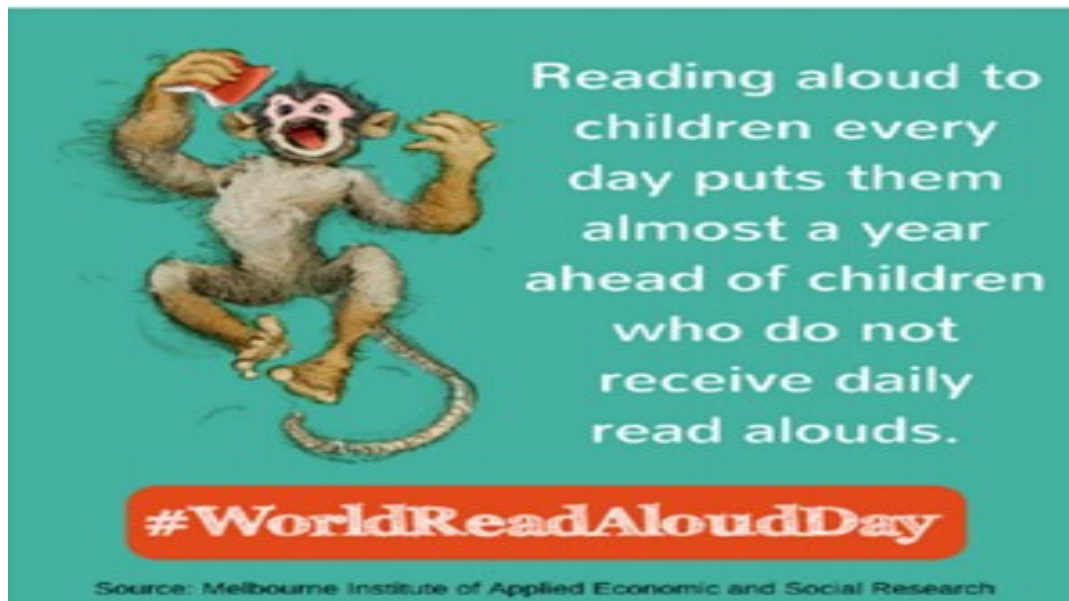
A huge well done to the children who took part in the swimming gala at Waterworld, Newquay on Wednesday. It was a great team effort with the Year 5 boys and Year 6 girls coming 3rd in their categories and the Year 6 boys coming 5th but winning their relay by a great distance. Special mention to Dan Allen (Year 5) who won the Year 6 Boys Front Crawl even though he is not back to 100% after suffering from a broken collar bone in the Summer! It was a great first event for Mr Nicholas to attend, with the children representing the school excellently and showing great sportsmanship. Thank you for our parent volunteers that helped too!

ATTENDANCE

The expected average attendance for a child is 96% for the year
 Our attendance for this week is
 Our attendance for this school year is 96.84%
 Well done to **Peacocks** classes for being the attendance stars this the week!

Classes	%	Lates	Class	%	Lates
Little Doves	98.47	1	Pelicans	97.85	1
Little Fish	98.77	0	Angels	98.02	2
Little Lambs	98.52	2	Faith	98.89	0
Peacocks	99.23	2	Hope	97.41	0
Phoenix	95.19	1			

World Read Aloud Day



Wednesday 5th February is World Read Aloud Day, a day that celebrates the importance of not just reading, but reading aloud so that stories can be enjoyed and shared together. Reading aloud not only develops literacy skills like vocabulary and grammatical understanding, but also connects us emotionally and socially to one another. Reading aloud is powerful. In schools, each class has a story book that the class teacher reads aloud to them every day, so the children can enjoy a story together. We are so delighted to see so many children reading and enjoying reading, perhaps over the next couple of weeks, if you don't already do so, you can think about reading ALOUD to your children, not just getting them to read to you. There's a lot to be said for the power of a bedtime story!

Newquay Family Hub

January-March 2020



Early Help Family Worker Drop In Sessions

Sessions include:

- How to better understand your child's needs & behaviours
- Advice on positive parenting and how to keep your child safe
- How to better understand the importance of routines for your family

15th January

19th February

18th March

12:30pm – 2:30pm

Newquay Family Hub

Trenance Road

Newquay

TR7 2LU

01872 324929

Carers Health and Wellbeing Events

To focus on the 4 key areas of Health
(Nutrition, Movement, Sleep and Stress management)
and offer support in how to implement them.

To take time for yourself and to help refocus your wellbeing.

A light-hearted and informal way to help boost your health
and wellbeing.

Wednesday 5th February

Time 10.00-2.00

Lunch provided

Treverbyn Community Hall
Treverbyn Rd
St. Austell
PL26 8TL

Contact annawpccc@outlook.com for booking



SCHOOL NOTICES PAGE

Wraparound Care

If you wish your child to attend our Wraparound Provision, then please book the sessions required via ParentPay, payment will be required at this time. There will be cut off points for booking a place and if you are unable to secure your session then please contact the school office and they will book on your behalf. Please ensure that there are sufficient funds in your account to cover the cost.

You will no longer be able to use the facility unless this is booked and paid for in advance and the school is unable to offer any credit facility. Many Thanks.



TESCO COMMUNITY GRANTS

We need your help!

An Early Approach to Learning in KS1 is in the customer vote for a Bags of Help grant from Tesco. It's a scheme which gives community projects like us grants of up to £2,000 – all raised from the sale of carrier bags in Tesco stores. The public will now vote in store during January to the end of March on who should receive the awards. Please support us in your local store! (St Austell Superstore and Tregonissey Tesco Express)

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. The chosen charities are:

MIND

**Penhaligon's Friends
Grenville Ward at Treliske.**



Cakes/buns 20p

Many Thanks for your continued support.

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.