

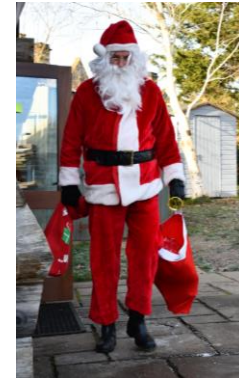


16th December 2022

Dear parents/carers,

Father Christmas visited our school this morning!

Thank you to him for giving up his time to call in and see the children and to his elf for all the wrapping of the presents!



Nativity and Christingle

Thank you to all parents, families and staff who came along to both our Nativity and Christingle Service last week. The very special atmosphere of Christmas songs, nativity and readings was a fantastic way to start our Christmas celebrations and we were grateful to everyone who braved the cold weather. The children and staff worked hard leading up to these events. The children were amazing and the Bishops Tawton staff were very proud of them. Thank you to the parents that helped us walk to the church and to the Rev Selina for her words and letting us use the church. We appreciate all the kind words and emails we received in the church and following the events. There are Christmas photos on our website in the gallery section, [please have a look](#).

Christmas Dinner

The children enjoyed their Christmas dinner yesterday, a big thank you to Jacqui (and her elves) for her hard work preparing and serving our meal.

2023 Admissions

Children born between 01/09/2018 and 31/08/2019 are entitled to start full time Primary Education in September 2023.

The application facility opens on 15th November 2022 and closes at midnight on 15th January 2023. It is important that parents apply before the closing date. [Please apply online via the portal.](#)

Pre-school payments

Pre-school payments will increase from January 2023

£4.50 - 3yrs olds

£5.50 - 2yrs olds

Please note 30 hours funding codes must be given to the school the term before you require the childcare. If this is not in place then your child will only be eligible for 15 hours and the funding rate for those hours from January will be £4.50/£5.50.

These payments must be made within a fortnightly period. All fees must be cleared by the end of each term.

Eduspot

Unfortunately, the Eduspot system has been down today so your child may have had something different to what was ordered by yourself. They will have been fed though!

Due to the system being down, lunch bookings for the New Year may not be available today. Please keep a look out though before we return to school. Also, please remember to book any breakfast/cabin clubs.

Please note we require breakfast and cabin club payments to be made within a fortnightly period.

All fees for both clubs and dinners must be cleared by the end of each term.

PTFA

Hopefully, you all received the PTFA update yesterday, they have raised an amazing £1577! Thank you to everyone involved in the PTFA team for all your hard work this term and to everyone that has taken part or purchased items to help raise this amount.

Save the Children

Our Christmas jumper days have raised £59 so far...if you are able to donate then [please do so here.](#)

A big thank you goes to all the support and teaching staff at school who have braved the weather along with working as a team to cover staff illness, to ensure the children had a fun and festive final week of term.

Have a restful Christmas break and a happy and healthy New Year!

We will look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 3rd January 2023.

Melanie Smallwood