

Bishops Tawton Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 15th September 2017

Dear Parents/carers,

Marie Curie

Thank you to all of you who have sponsored us for our trek up Ben Nevis this Sunday. We have now exceeded our fund raising target! The next step is to climb the mountain. Wish us luck! https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/melaniesmallwood

Staff Changes

We were all very saddened to hear that, after ten years, Cath Burridge has decided to finish her career in school in order to follow a new business venture. We wish her the very best of luck!

Her role in Codden class and at Pre-school will be covered by our existing staff who are highly experienced and know the children well.

We are pleased to be able to welcome Mrs Sarah Bale to the Early Years school team. She will be teaching Codden class for half a day a week.

Pre-School News

Welcome back to Pre School! The children have all settled in well.

Our Topic this term is 'All about me' and 'Our local area.'

A reminder...Pre school drop off is 8:30am and pick up is 3:30pm.

We are unable to care for your child before and after these times due to staffing levels.

*No toddler Group Monday 2nd October

Book bags in Key Stage 2

We have spoken to the children in Key Stage 2 this week about using their book bags. They must use one for their books and NOT stuff them into a ruck sack. Please discourage your child from using a ruck sack, there is not enough room on the pegs to store them and valuable resources are being ruined.

Parking and road safety

We have noticed that a minority of parents are not taking care when parking outside school. This is causing a potential accident on the busy road. The police have been present twice this week and will be patrolling the area again. Please, PLEASE take care when parking:

- DO NOT park along the path/walkway on the main road (this blocks pedestrians and inhibits large vehicles from passing on the road, potentially causing a collision)
- DO NOT park on the zig zags (this inhibits vision for drivers who could pull out on a child)
- DO Park Safely and walk
- DO refrain from using School Lane (The nursery vehicles use school Lane in order to walk up to 12 children in safely)
- DO use the Chichester car park and walk, Do use Mount Pleasant (without blocking residents) and the area around the Church

Whatever the situation it is paramount that our children are kept safe on the busy road and that YOU put their safety first. Thank you



Junior parkrun is a free, weekly, 2km run for children aged between 4-14. http://www.parkrun.org.uk/events/juniorevents/

A small group of likeminded people are trying to get a junior parkrun up and running in Barnstaple by Spring 2018.

We need a large pool of named volunteers to pledge their support in order to activate the event. If you are able to volunteer occasionally, please let us know. We won't expect you to volunteer every week, so don't worry!

If you want to be part of the event at the early planning stage - please let me know. The more people involved the better!

Please email Dave at daveskeet@icloud.com or speak to me for more information.

Teresa Kirk (Barum Class)

Flu immunization for Reception, Yr1, 2, 3 & 4

Can you please return completed consent forms to the office no later than Friday 22nd September.

<u>Clubs</u>

Please see the club programme for the term. You can let the office know if your child would like to attend. Please note pick up time is 4.20pm prompt, we have no facility to supervise your child after this time unless you book them into after school child care.

Dates

Wednesday 4th October: Tempest photography

Friday 20th October : Non-pupil day October 23rd - 27th : Half Term

Growth mindset of the week...

Codden-Eddie Tarka-Kirsty

Barum-Taya

Saunton-Sophie

Exmoor-Daisy R

Lundy-Lyla

Well Done!

With very best wishes

Melanie Smallwood

Reader of the week...

Codden-Caleb

Tarka-Isla

Barum-Barnie

Saunton-Josh

Exmoor-Russell

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Lundy-Mae

On site After School Child Care_Claire's Nurseries

Mon-Thursday 3.15-5.30pm

£3.50 per hour including a snack

Just call to enquire and book your child's place:

01271 346529

*Please note that you must pay promptly for this child care service. If your child is not attending you must let Claire's

After school clubs 3.20-4.20pm

Monday: Surf, Music Yr2+, Football

Yr3+

Tuesday: Irish Dance (All ages £4)
Construction (All ages), Creative

(Rec/Yr1)

Thursday: Soccer Skills Rec/Y1/Y2

Please let us know if your child would like to attend and we will add them to the registers

4.20pm prompt pick up