

Bishops Tawton Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 2nd October 2020

Dear Parents/carers.

Thank you for your patience and understanding again this week, the drop off and collection times are getting smoother. The one way system at the front of school has improved things greatly, please enter school lane from the bottom of the lane (opposite the park), we will call the children to the parents at the front of the queue, you will then leave towards the Alms houses exit (where the zigzags are) please remember though, not to stand in groups and chat along the lane as this compromises social distancing and causes delays.

*Please note only one adult is permitted to bring/collect a child to/from school as per our <u>protocol</u>.

Virtual Games

This week the children that took part and entered their results into the Devon Virtual Games during lockdown received their medals. Their photos will be in the P.E section of our website soon. We're excited to tell you that Active Devon and the Devon School Games organisers are hosting a series of events throughout the Autumn term giving our children the chance to compete against themselves.

Home Learning

If one week you don't receive our home learning by email then please check our website.

Harvest

Normally as part of our harvest celebrations we collect and donate food donations to the freedom centre. This year if you prefer you can donate through the shop tab on <u>eduspot</u>. We will then use this money to buy supermarket vouchers.

Thrift Shop

Thank you for purchasing school uniform from the Thrift shop we have raised nearly £100 for the PTFA fund.

PTFA

The PTFA AGM is Wednesday 14th October @ 7pm, details will follow next week.

Classlist app: The PTFA use an app called <u>Classlist</u> to help improve communication with all parents. It is a closed, moderated app that helps us to keep everyone informed of PTFA events and allow parents to become involved in specific activities and help out where they can.

Rain coats: The children are outside both for learning and play so please ensure your child has a coat in school every day even when it is sunny.

Parking: We realise that parking is problematic for all of you but please remember to park safely even if this means that you have to walk a short distance. **Do not** park on the opposite side of the busy road or on the zig zags as this causes greater danger. Also please be mindful of residents on Mount Pleasant and the safety of your children when crossing over.

Absence & Lateness:

Please contact the school as soon as possible, by telephone, preferably before 9.00am by ringing 01271 343002. You will be expected to tell us your child's name, class, the reason for the absence and if possible the expected return date. The office staff are helping with the arrival of children in the morning so if no one is available to answer the phone then please leave a message. Please do not use email for this, leave a message if the phone is not answered immediately. Gates close at **8.45am**, your child should be in school by this time. If they are late please use the front gate so that they can report to the office.

Please ring each day your child is absent or is going to be late.

Dates

Thursday 8th October, we are holding our Meet and greet for Barum class at 9am

One parent only with a face mask, please wait following social distance guidelines in **School Lane** until collected and escorted to the hall (this will be once the children are all in school). A mask MUST be worn.

Thursday 15th October, we are holding our Meet and Greet for Lundy class at 9am

One parent only with a face mask, please wait following social distance guidelines in **Mount Pleasant** until collected and escorted to the hall (this will be once the children are all in school). A mask MUST be worn.

(Term dates are on the website)

Breakfast Club/Cabin Club

Mon-Friday: 7.45am - 8.35am / 3.15pm-5.30pm £4.00 per session including breakfast / snack

All Bookings must be made using the <u>online booking system</u> and paid for in advance, bookings will be closed at 2pm on the previous Friday due to staff ratio.

There will be no after school clubs this term.

With very best wishes Melanie Smallwood