

Friday 27th September 2019

Dear Parents/carers,

Harvest Festival: Thank you to those of you who were able to join the children in celebrating harvest this week. All donations have been shared between the Food Bank and The Freedom Centre.

This year we found splitting the key stages was helpful as it allowed more space in the church and the selection of songs to suit the age groups. We'd love to know what you thought about it as we begin to plan our Christmas celebrations.

Year 3 and 4 Cross Country

Well done to all of the children this morning taking part in the Cross country with the local primary schools at Park school.

Teacher Training

As you may know we are partners in the Devon primary SCITT and proud ourselves in training outstanding teachers. You can find out more by visiting their <u>website</u> and on their social media platforms.

Reading for enjoyment class rewards

This week the percentage scores on the doors are: Tarka 59% Barum 80% Saunton 87% Exmoor 63% and well done to this week's winning class Lundy 90%.

Pre-school news

This week we have been noticing the signs of Autumn. We joined in with the Harvest festival at the church. The children behaved and sang beautifully. There was a dolly left behind at the church, if you know who it belongs to, let us know. We have it safe at preschool.

As you will know our new build is well under way. The governors are working hard to fund the build but they still need help in order to complete. We would like to invite pre-school parents to a viewing of the new build and to meet and discuss fund raising opportunities. There will be tea and cake along with a guided tour!

Please come along to the school on Tuesday 15th October from 5.30pm

PTFA

Next meeting:

AGM: Tuesday 15th October 2019 @7pm All welcome...new committee members needed. A new committee will be formed for the following year. Please note that decisions regarding use of funds and planned events will only be made at meetings. The social platform is to be used for updates and correspondence.

PTFA Coffee morning in aid of North Devon Hospice: Thursday 3rd October from 8.45 in the school hall **Christmas Fayre**: Wednesday 4th December 5-7pm

Volunteers and DBS checks: We welcome parents and volunteers to help in school and on trips, however, in order to safeguard our children there is an expectation that all volunteers carry out a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) There is no cost to the service and it does not need to be repeated. If you would like to help us out please collect a form from the office. Thank you.

Parent Consultations

15th and 16th October: Thank you for your bookings please complete your forms and hand into the office if you haven't done so already. *Please note that your children **must** be supervised during the consultations.

Dates - October

Tuesday 15th October: PTFA AGM 7pm Tuesday 15th & Wednesday 16th : Parent Consultations Friday 18th: Tempest Individual Photos Monday 21st - Friday 25th : Half term

On site After School Child Care -'CABIN CLUB' Mon-Friday 3.15-5.30pm £4.00 per hour including a snack Please book your child's place using the online <u>system</u> 01271 343002 <u>families@bishopstawton-primary.org</u> *Pre-booked places only due to staff ratio* Please make sure you child knows where they should be at the end of the day, every day, before they come to school.

If you need early morning care (from 7.45am) please contact Helen Robinson: 07789488080 or email helenrobinson@rocketmail.com With very best wishes Melanie Smallwood

<u>After school clubs next week 3.20-4.20pm</u> Monday: Football: Y3 up, Music:Y2 up Thursday: Netball Y4,5,6

Please note NO clubs on Tuesday & Wednesday this week.

*Please check the clubs info for details and make sure your child knows where they should be every day after school, it is not possible for office staff to take last minute calls and organise your children