



Bishops Tawton Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 31st January 2020

Dear Parents/carers,

We are proud of the children's learning behaviours and how they are impacting upon their progress across the school, this was picked up as one of our strengths when we had our school review visit on Monday.

Unfortunately we have noticed that playtime behaviour is not so good, many children are being too physical and this is causing arguments and accidents. Please remind your children that play fighting/physical contact games are not permitted. We are going to focus on this in school and hope to see an improvement for everybody over the next couple of weeks.

Reading for enjoyment class rewards This week the percentage scores on the doors are: Tarka 74% Saunton 71% Exmoor 63% Lundy 83% and well done to this week's winning class Barum 100%.

We are continuing to encourage reading for enjoyment and hope that you can do the same at home. Remind your child to read as often as possible, encourage them to choose different types of text and maybe take them to the [library](#) to borrow some books...

Codden Class had a visit this week from Cath and Rumer from Artisarni Cafe. They helped the children to choose a variety of healthy food to make a rainbow salad. Most children took a risk and tried something new! They also made healthy fruit smoothies. Thank you to them for giving up their time to come and talk to the children.

Parent Forum Open Lunch Our parent forum have been asking our kitchen manager about the school meal provision. Next week some of them are dropping in to see what our lunches are like. We will then discuss at the parent forum meeting on Wednesday 5th February. Please let you reps know if there is anything else you would like them to find out about.

Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week is children's mental health awareness week, the children will be exploring how to stay mentally healthy throughout the week, perhaps you could ask them what they have learnt about it?

Pre-school news

This week we have been focusing on healthy eating and our bodies. The children have had fun playing doctors and nurses in the role play area. We have sorting skeletons into sizes and finding bones in the sand. Please check the lost property basket. It's overflowing. Please name all items that come to preschool so that they can easily be reunited.



PTFA

The PTFA disco is on Friday 14th February KS1 530-630pm KS2 645-745pm
£2 includes entry and refreshments.
Please pay online on [eduspot](#) by midnight Friday 7th February.
No tickets will be available after this date.
(Reception children will need an adult to stay with them)
PTFA Meeting - Wednesday 5th February 2.30pm

Parking Safely: This week we have received a letter from the Parish Council expressing their concerns about the careless and unsafe parking that some of our parents choose to do. They will be contacting the police for advice on this. Please park safely, we don't want a child to be hurt because of careless parking.

Some suggestions from the police in an email to us are as follows...

- **Walking bus** - Utilise a nearby area (pub car park, open stretch of road) where parents can park and students can be escorted to/from. (This will probably be difficult, but not impossible, in Bishops Tawton)
- **Education** - Continue to push the education to parents.
- **Promote walking/lift sharing**

If you are interested in helping with any of these suggestions then please either let us know or contact the parent forum members.

Reminders...

Uniform: We are proud of our high standards in school, this includes the uniform code. Please make sure your child has the correct uniform and shoes. If they do not you must write a note of explanation. Also, please make sure **all** items of clothing are named so they can be returned easily.

Lateness: Register closes at **8.45am**, your child must be in school by this time. If they are late you will have to sign them in at the main office.

Please note your child is not supervised after 3.15pm or before 8.35am

Dates (Term dates are on the [website](#))

You can also check out our calendar to see what is coming up

Rosemoor trip: Yr1&2 Wednesday 5th February

Parent Forum meeting Wednesday 5th Feb from 8.45am

Codden Phonics workshop: Thursday 6th February 3.30pm

Yr6 Residential meeting: Tuesday 11th February 3pm

Valentine Disco: Friday 14th February

Half Term: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February

With very best wishes
Melanie Smallwood

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 [system](#)

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

After school clubs next week

Monday: Music (Yr2 upwards)

Tuesday: French (Yr2 upwards)

Construction/Boards games (All age groups)

Friday: Irish dancing - Young ones (beginners)

3:15-4:15 Older group 4:15-5:00

*You can book your child into a club using [eduspot](#) for this first half term.

*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 for you. Thank you.