

Bishops Down Primary School News

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Dear Parents,

Wrap Around Care Manager

Kelly Gurr, our fantastic Wrap Around Care Manager is stepping down from this post at the end of the year to give more time to her studies. Do you know of anyone that might be interested in this position? They would need NVQ level 3 in childcare and some experience of supervising children in a similar role. If you know someone or are interested yourself and would like to join our team, please give the office a call to find out more.

John Tutt

Bring Your Mum to School Day

We have had a fabulous day welcoming over 160 mums to school. Thank you to all of you who were able to come.

BYMSD feedback

'I have been really impressed with the school and the children, they were all fantastic! I have had a brilliant morning and learnt lots of new things myself. Thank you very much'

'It was fantastic to see the school environment, and for the stories I was told come to life. A brilliant experience - thank you!'

'Great morning! Especially useful in understanding the classroom environment and activities. Very imaginative activities - and well behaved class!'

'Fabulous'

School expansion

Governors are currently in discussion with the local authority about a further expansion of the school and would value any comments, both positive and negative. Comments can be sent directly to a new e-mail address for Governors at governors@bishops-down.kent.sch.uk. Please note that no decisions have been made.

Attention all Nursery and Reception parents

Please note that any parents leaving via the gate between Nursery and the main building should be locking the gate behind them unless there is someone immediately going out or coming in after them. This gate must be locked at all

times to ensure that children cannot escape and intruders cannot access the site through here. The lock code can be accessed by telephoning or e-mailing the school office.

Neighbours

I was saddened this week to hear from a neighbour who is having repeated trouble from children who climb onto his wall and run onto his front lawn. I have spoken to most of the pupils about this in assembly. I would also encourage you talk to your children to ensure that this does not continue. Feedback from most of our neighbours is usually very positive about our pupils here and it would be disappointing if just a few children tainted that impression.

Samaritans Purse

Christmas is rapidly approaching and this year we are keen to support 'Operation Christmas Child' (Shoebox Appeal). Your child has been given a leaflet to take home this Friday. Please support this cause if you can. The class with the most shoeboxes will win a prize. The deadline for all shoeboxes to be returned to school is Wednesday 23rd November.

Miss Reader

Crossing at the bottom of the drive

There have been concerns raised about the safety of children at the bottom of the drive when cars are coming into school. If there is a car approaching the drive into school, children and parents should wait for these cars to proceed up the drive before they cross.

Y6 Poppy Appeal

As in previous years, Year 6 children will be visiting each classroom next week to sell poppies and collect money for the Poppy Appeal. We suggest a minimum donation of 20 pence for a poppy.

Kate Spoor

Kind regards,

Dan Turvey