



Bishops Down Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This week we have made a concerted effort to improve behaviour both inside the school building and in the playground. You may have heard your children talking about 'green' tickets and new playground zones. I hope you can continue to support us with behaviour particularly at the end of the day when we need to clear the site promptly to allow After School Club use of the playground. We have had children unsupervised using our playground equipment after 3.15. this is not permitted as we do not have staff present to supervise. We respectfully ask that parents do not allow their children to play with the school equipment after the end of the school day and that the playground is cleared promptly.

Reception parents— after Easter your child will be allocated a year 6 buddy to help them come into school without you. This is very common at this point in the year as we want to increase your child's independence. The Reception children will meet their year 6 buddy this week and after the Easter break their buddy will be waiting by the ball court ready to help them line up. If you have any queries please see Miss Woodcock.

It has been a lovely term— I will include photos of some of our activities in this newsletter. Happy Easter.

Forest School— Easter challenge for pupils-

Dear Children- Can you think of a name and logo for our Forest School? Nursery and Reception will continue to use the name Little Explorers but we need a name and logo for years 1-6. the winning name and design will be chosen next term and printed onto badges. Think about our school environment, what makes us unique and special and the animals that are found here— then get creative! Research other Forest School Names for inspiration. Please take completed designs to Mrs Miller in the office the first week back after Easter. We hope that many of you can get involved in this creative challenge. Happy holidays from Mrs Bell and Miss Fennell.

Learning Legends *Friday 11th & 18th March*

Chestnut	Reuben H, Matthew O	Hazel	Lily C James O
Beech	Ellie R, Walter W	Sycamore	Ollie F, Ben
Apple	Isabella, Scarlett	Pine	Codie-Rose, Louis S
Olive	Elliot E, Archie B	Redwood	Brodie B, Harry W
Maple	William B	Oak	Sophie B, Max W, Ethan K
Mulberry	Teddy		



ARCHIE TO CLIMB SNOWDON!

Archie Yea is taking on Mt Snowdon for Sport Relief. He will be climbing on the 8th April to raise money to help transform people's lives in the UK and in the world's poorest communities.

Please visit Archie's just giving page to sponsor him -
my.sportrelief.com/sponsor/archieyea

Thank you





**Year 4 visit to
Rose Hill to
meet Guy Bass,
author.**

**No after school
club on Thursday
24th March as it is
the last day of
term.**

MUGS FOR PEMBURY HOSPITAL

Last weekend Mrs Farrimond noticed that there was a shortage of mugs in the Parents' room at Pembury hospital. Nurses were having to share their personal mugs with parents of children in the ward. If you have any spare mugs please consider donating them. They must be stain and chip free. You can give them to Mrs Farrimond directly or

Claudia Puchoras, **School Nurse** will be holding a clinic at Bishops Down on Friday 22nd April from 9am. If you would like to meet with her you must arrange an appointment by contacting the school nurse office. The number is 0300 7900244 or text Claudia on 07552 273917. Thank you.



Did you know that your child is entitled to EU subsidised milk? This is easily ordered through the CoolMilk Scheme which we are part of. Under 5's already receive free milk every day at school funded by the Department of Health, but you can easily order milk through the Cool Milk Scheme for your over 5's to have every day during their morning break. Children will often drink this valuable nutrient if their friends are too! The cartons contain semi-skimmed milk and are 189ml. Please pick up an order form the School Front Office (it is Freepost to return) or you can go online: www.coolmilk.com and register your child.



**Year 2
Models**



**Year 1 trip
to Tesco**



Easter Pottery

A message from Tonbridge School- Easter holiday Hockey course

We are running an Easter holidays hockey course the week of the **29th March to the 1st April**. Depending on age from **10 -12:30 every day for 7-10 year olds** and from **13:30 – 16:00 every day for 11-14 year olds**. This course is a core skills course and aimed at players starting or new to the game.

For those schools who really enjoyed themselves and would be interested in coming down and using our facilities to give your kids more experience playing on astro turf and being able to use more space please do feel free to contact me and we can arrange this at a special rate.

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	7.3.16 attendance	lates	14.3.16 attendance	lates
Beech	94.0	0	89.7	0
Apple	97.2	2	93.6	2
Olive	92.9	2	87.5	1
Maple	95.3	3	90.7	3
Mulberry	92.8	0	82.7	0
Hazel	97.7	0	96.7	0
Sycamore	95.7	3	98.3	0
Redwood	96.7	0	93.0	1
Pine	97.6	0	86.6	0
Oak	92.0	0	99.0	1

Messages from Mrs Wilson

A huge 'roaring' thank you from Beech Class to all of the parents that were able to come and watch their performance of 'Carnival of the Animals' last Thursday. I am sure you'd agree, that Beech Class performed with huge enthusiasm and energy and that each and everyone of them, was a singing superstar. A huge thank you to Miss Williams and Mrs Clarke for all of their hard work with teaching the songs (plus fantastic piano accompaniment). It was a pleasure to be involved and as Music Subject Leader, I felt very proud indeed! .

"We can't quite believe that the Tunbridge Wells Half Marathon was a whole month ago! We are delighted to inform you, that with your generosity, we raised just over £3000.00 for Hospices of Hope (OUTSTANDING!) - you have helped to make a significant difference to those who are terminally ill in Romania. Thank you to the huge number of you that came out to support us on the day - you MADE the experience unforgettable - and thank you to the wonderful water station members that volunteered. See you at the start line next year?!" Team Bagpuss

Book Fair News

Thank you to all who supported the Book Fair . It was enjoyed by all children!

The fair has raised £794.86 in commission to spend on books for our library. This is an incredible amount and it is very much appreciated .



Notes from the office:

'We are now collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers – if you shop at Sainsbury's please donate them to the school, we can then exchange them for exciting equipment – thank you'.

