

Bishops Down Primary School News



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24th September 2012
Dear Parents,

Lost Property - There is a new large clear plastic box with a black lid situated outside the Y6 classroom door for Lost Property. It is clearly labeled and any items of lost property will be put there if they are not named. Any named items will be returned to your child's class. Please can you ensure that all your child's belongings are named and so can be returned.

Parent Consultations - There will be parent consultations next month, where you will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teachers. The dates for consultations are as follows:

Years 1 to 6 **Tuesday 23rd October** **3.30-6pm**

Years 1 to 6 **Thursday 25th October** **5.30-8pm**

A booking form will come out next Monday for you to complete and return to express your preferred times.

Parent Reps - We are still looking for volunteers to come forward to be Parent Reps for **Nursery, Chestnut, Willow and Oak classes**. Please give this some thought and let the office know if you would like to be involved. The Parent Reps meet approximately once a term and the purpose of the meetings is to give Parent Reps a direct line to me to raise queries which parents have. Also I can bounce ideas off the reps, get feedback from them, and discuss ideas. Parents should still raise specific queries they have directly with teachers.

Snack time- some reminders - As you are aware, Bishops Down has been recognised as a Healthy School for some time now. As part of our focus on these standards, we teach the children about the importance of a healthy balanced diet. Since starting the term we have noticed an increase in inappropriate snacks. Items being consumed include waffles, pepperami, and haribos! Some of the girls are raiding their packed lunch boxes that are being stored in the cloakroom. We would really appreciate your support in promoting healthy eating options with your children.

PSA Quiz Night - The PSA's next event is the Amazing Autumn Quiz Night which will take place at school on **Saturday 13th October, starting at 7.30pm**. Save the date, and get together with friends now to create a team. Maximum 8 people per team, but if you don't have a team, come anyway and we'll find one for you on the night! Booking forms to enter are being sent home this week. If you are new to the school, it is a great first event of the year to get together, socialise and banish any post summer blues!

PSA Committee Meeting Dates for 2012-2013

These are as follows: 25 September, 7 November, 12 December, 6 February 2013, 10 April, and 9 July.

Dates for your Diaries

1 st October	3.30pm	Home Football Match against St Matthews School
3 rd October	2pm	Prospective Parents visit
24 th October		Y5 & Y6 Visit to Greenwich Observatory
25 th October	9.30am	Prospective Parents visit
26 th October	9am	Parent Reps meeting
6 th November		British Legion Assembly and the start of the Y6 Poppy Appeal
7 th November	2pm	Prospective Parents visit
19 th November		Road Safety Week
27 th November	9.30am	Prospective Parents visit
3 rd December	6.30pm	Full Governors Meeting
4 th December	2pm	Prospective Parents visit
13 th December	9.30am	KS1 Production
14 th December	2.30pm	KS1 Production
11 th January	9am	Parent Reps meeting

Gates

Please ensure that all gates are securely closed when leaving the school site, including the pedestrian gates at the bottom of the drive. The safety of pupils is paramount and though staff are vigilant we are aware that external gates are not always closed by parents and visitors to the site when leaving the premises. Thank you.

Regards,

Daniel T Turvey

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TERM DATES 2012-2013

TERM 1

Finish: Friday 26th October 2012
Holiday: Monday 29th October – Friday 2nd November 2012

TERM 2

Start: Monday 5th November 2012
Finish: Friday 21st December 2012
Holiday: Monday 24th December – Friday 4th January 2013

TERM 3

INSET DAY MONDAY 7TH JANUARY 2013

Start: Tuesday 8th January 2013
Wednesday 9th January 2013 for Nursery children
Finish: Friday 15th February 2013
Holiday: Monday 18th February – Friday 22nd February 2013

TERM 4

INSET DAY MONDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2013

Start: Tuesday 26th February 2013
Finish: Thursday 28th March 2013
Holiday: Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2013

TERM 5

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 6TH MAY 2013

Start: Monday 15th April 2013
Tuesday 16th April 2013 for Nursery children
Finish: Friday 24th May 2013
Holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2013

TERM 6

INSET DAY MONDAY 3RD JUNE

Start: Tuesday 4th June 2013
Finish: Wednesday 24th July 2013
Holiday: Thursday 25th July – Monday 2nd September 2013