

Bishops Down Primary School News

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Dear Parents and Friends of Bishops Down,

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From the PSA - Just to let you know that we now have a final figure for the camp out which made an amazing profit of £1616.89. This is double to previous camp outs. Thank you all for making this event such a great success. The Year 1 cake sale made a profit of £114.72. The cake sales are proving very popular with parents and children. Thank you for your support.

Medication Kept in School - Helen Lawton

If there are emergency medicines kept in the classroom for your child, or other emergency supplies for treating hypos etc, please can you make sure these are collected by you at the end of term, and ensure new in date supplies are returned at the beginning of the next term. Parents of children attending holiday Playscheme have been asked to bring emergency medicines on a daily basis as access to other areas of the school may be difficult.

Election of Parent Governors - Congratulations go to Helen Ralph and Marcus Drew (both with children in Year 1), who have been successfully appointed as Parent Governors.

Feedback for Greg Clark MP - Greg Clark MP is campaigning for improved mental health services for children and teenagers. If you have any direct experience of the Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), he would be extremely interested to hear from you. Please write to him at: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA or email: gregclarkmp@parliament.uk.

Ofsted Art and Design Inspection - Following our recent inspection by Ofsted, we have now received the report. This can be accessed in full from the school website. We are delighted with the outcome which paints (forgive the pun) a very positive picture of this subject area. My thanks and congratulations go to all the staff who played a role during this inspection with special thanks to Mrs Roberts and Mrs Clement.

"The overall effectiveness of art, craft and design is good with outstanding features...pupils have access to a very wide and stimulating range of opportunities in the subject. These have been adapted thoughtfully over time to sustain and develop pupils' enjoyment and give the work produced a unique character which reflects the school, its location and the pupils themselves...the curriculum is planned carefully to ensure pupils' experiences build securely and are exciting. The balance of art, craft and design activities and work on different scales and dimensions is excellent." Ofsted, July 2010

Lost Property - Please check lost property during these last few days as any remaining uniform or clothing will go to the PSA for re-sale or to a charity shop.

Lunch Menus – These are coming home today. Please read the note from the Bursar and return the menus to school by Wednesday 21st July, together with payment. Please advise the office if you are making any changes to your child's lunch arrangements.

Kind regards,

Dan Turvey