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Bishops Down Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

Welcome back to the final term of the year. We have so much to enjoy this term from sports day to class assemblies and of course our 50th Birthday celebrations. Please keep the date sheet that was on the last newsletter to hand so you can keep track of all events.

Clare

Important messages from the office

Please return all forms to the office promptly to help with the admin at this busy time of year. The next day is perfect for us. Karen Miller has to spend so much time chasing late returns that it is having a significant impact on her work load. Please help by being prompt.

There will be a 'Sports Day and 50th Birthday picnic' letter going out to parents this week. The office will need a form returned for every child so that the kitchen have time to order food, and admin can be done to ensure all children have a meal, and there is minimal wastage too.

All lunch debt needs to be cleared as soon as possible please as any outstanding debts have to be met by the school. At this time of serious financial hardship in schools, we cannot afford to cover parent debt without it impacting on our curriculum provision. Thank you -the Office Team

From the PSA

Due to lack of demand and lack of storage space, the PSA will no longer be accepting second hand uniform.



50th celebration- Swinging 60's day 14th July

The team and myself are getting very excited, making decorations, sourcing equipment and planning the all important outfit. We are still 2 helpers short for the morning and 12 short for the afternoon. This is a great opportunity for you to share the day with the school and be a part of a milestone in the schools history.

We have provisionally booked 2 fairground rides for the afternoon, however we are still a little short of money to pay for them, if every child donated £2 then we would be able to pay for both of the rides which will make the fair spectacular. If you would like to contribute please send a minimum contribution of £2 in to school on Monday in an envelope marked with your family name or use Parentpay. We need to confirm the booking on Tuesday so prompt payment is required. Look forward to hearing from you all. 1 month to go!!!! Mrs Kyte and the 50th committee

Read-a-thon

Thank you to the 15 children that took part in the readathon. Monies raised will go towards helping children in hospitals as well as getting books for our school library. If you have any money or a sponsor form that you would like included please return it by Tuesday 20th 9am as I will be sending the money off after school. Book Club members will then announce the winners on Wednesday. Many thanks, Mrs Kyte and the Book Club.

Message from Tonbridge School OBS Gallery:

Wildlife Photography Competition

We are launching our own competition to give you the chance to have your own photograph amongst the winners. We welcome entries from both amateur and professionals of all ages. Prizes include outstanding Sony cameras, a mini-break at Elmsley Nature Reserve, Kent Wildlife Trust membership, Recre8 courses and art materials.



There are 3 categories; Children (under 11), Junior (12-17) and Adult (18+). The competition is open for entries 1 July - 10 September 2017. Each entrant can upload up to 2 photos to the competition. The award ceremony will be held in OBS Gallery on Saturday 30th September at 3pm, when the winners will be announced. See the web site for more details
<https://www.tonbridge-school.co.uk/obs>

Year 5 parents

If you would like to register your child for the **Kent Test (11+)** please do so by the **3rd July 2017** at this address:

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/kent-test>

A team of year 3 and 4 athletes attended the Tunbridge Wells schools' tournament on Wednesday 14th June. They had the opportunity to use the fantastic facilities at Tonbridge School.

It was an extremely hot afternoon of running, jumping and throwing. The team were amazing and everyone added to the final points score with some outstanding 4 and 5 points achieved by some. Bishops Down came an amazing 3rd place and will be receiving bronze medals. Well done team.

Mrs Tizzard and Miss Sharman

