

Bishops Down Primary School News

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Dear Parents and guardians

PSA Cake Sale - change of date - The PSA cake sale which was originally planned for Friday 21st November with donations from Year 4 parents has now been moved to Friday 12th December. Please can Year 4 parents note this change regarding bringing in cake donations, thank you.

Bishops Down Cross Country

A very big WELL DONE to the five children who competed for Bishops Down in the second meeting of the Cross Country League for Tunbridge Wells schools on Thursday 20th November. Three girls competed in the Year 3/4 Girls' race, and two boys ran in the Year 3/4 Boys' race. For some children it was their first ever race and all of them did very well! There are four more meetings, all in the New Year (details will be sent out as soon as we have them). Children from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 can enter, so if your child is interested in joining the Bishops Down team, please contact Miss Perolls or Sarah Barker (sarahbarker.mrs@gmail.com).

Year 5 Greenwich visit - 'On Wednesday 5th November Y5 Redwood went to Greenwich Planetarium. We went to an observatory that was very interesting and they did a show about the night sky which included information about planets, stars, galaxies, comets and asteroids. We went to the shop. We also had a lesson about planets and the sun. It was a great day out and thank you to all the parents and teachers who took us.' *Amelia and Samira*

Apple I-pads - Mr Wyke The school is in the process of buying a set of Apple I-pads to enrich the children's educational experience across the curriculum and ensure that the next generation is equipped to tackle the digital world. Ideally there will be a set of 31 and each class will have a slot to use them on a weekly basis. The school has been approached by a parent who is a local business owner and they have offered to donate money to buy some of the I-pads. This financial commitment can be off-set against their tax bill and so proves beneficial to both parties. The school is thankful for the donation and would like to see if there are likeminded parents who would be willing to financially support this project. If you are a business owner and would like to talk to someone at the school about how you can help please contact Dan Turvey or Simon Wyke to have a conversation. If you would like to make a donation this should be made to the school PSA directly and will be ring fenced for the IPAD project.

Wrap Around Care and Christmas Holidays - There will be no Wrap Around Care (holiday club) during the Christmas Holidays.

Sports clothing - *Mrs Tizzard* We aim to get outside for our games lesson as much as possible, but unfortunately we are finding that children do not have the correct clothing. Children must have plimsolls or trainers for outdoor sports and not their school shoes. It is also advisable that the children have a pair of sports socks in their PE kit as the field and playground are wet and muddy. In cold weather children are also allowed to wear a long top under their PE t-shirt. We have a number of pairs of football boots that have been donated to the school. If your child takes part in a sport that requires these and you would like to borrow some for the season please let me know. Please email me if you require further information or advice with sports clothing at dtizzard@bishops-down.kent.sch.uk

Kind Regards,

Daniel T Turvey