

Bishops Down Primary School News

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24th June 2011,

Dear Parents,

Newsletter No. 18

Sports Day Many thanks to everyone who came to sports day on Wednesday despite the rain, wind and mud. The children had a thoroughly good time and made the most of the activities. We have re-arranged the junior sports to take place in the last week of term. You are welcome to join us after lunch on Wednesday 20th July to watch them running, jumping, throwing and racing.

'On Sports Day we were jumping and running. We had a lovely picnic. I had loads of fun and Rose Hill children helped me on the activities'. *Amelia Colletta Y1*

Sainsbury's Vouchers Please can you send in any vouchers you still have at home in order for the final counting and ordering to be done. Many thanks to Mrs. Gomersall, Mrs. Dray, Mrs. Mayes, Mrs. Barclay, and Y5 parents who have helped to count the vouchers so far.

Class Photographs The proof class photographs went home on Monday. If you wish to order a copy, please complete the order form by following the instructions on the envelope and return it to the office with payment **by Wednesday 29th June**. Any orders received after this will be subject to the photographer's late charge and may not be received by the end of term.

Absences If your child is unwell, please telephone the office (01892 520114) on each day of absence, to let us know. The Government requires us to keep detailed records of reasons for absence which we have to submit annually. If your child has a medical appointment during school time, please advise the office and their teacher in advance.

From the PSA Thank you all for your kind donations to the bottle raffle for the Summer Fair, there was a great response which the PSA will use to fundraise for the school. I wanted to highlight some dates for everyone as we would really appreciate your help with the following other stalls if you have items at home that you are happy to donate to the PSA.

Monday 27th June - any toys, teddy bears and books (children or adult) that are surplus to requirement that we could resell at the Summer Fair.

Monday 4th July - This year we are also having a nearly new clothing stall so if you would be happy to part with any clothes or uniform for the PSA to sell at the Fair please bring it from this date.

Sunday 10th July (The day of the Summer Fair) - Book bags will be coming home with a plate in them and we would encourage you to bring 6 cup cakes along on this plate with you to the Summer Fair for the Cake stall.

Once again I would like to thank the parents for their continued support for the PSA and the school and we look forward to seeing you at the Summer Fair on Sunday 10th July.

New dates

Wed 20th July 1.30-3.15 pm

Thurs 21st July pm

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KS2 Sports

Bishops Down Has Got Talent (children only)

Evening discos – please see attached letter.

Staffing

Please see below the information about your child's class in September. You will note the absence of Cathy Spoor's name. She has been seconded for a year to Brenchley and Matfield School which is currently in special measures. She will return in September 2012. We wish her all the very best for the year ahead and look forward to her return in 2012.

You may know that Mrs. Bonwick and Miss Wilmshurst are both on maternity leave at present covered by Mrs. Akers, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Robinson. We will inform you as soon as we know when they will be returning though it is likely to be during the early part of 2012.

You may be aware that Susan Clarke one of our part time teachers has been absent recently. She is on compassionate leave whilst her daughter Sophie is in hospital. She is in our thoughts during this difficult time. We also thank Mrs. Akers and Mrs. Bell for working many extra hours to ensure that there has been minimal impact on the children.

Please also be aware of the letter below regarding industrial action on 30th June.

Class Organisation September 2011

Nursery teacher – Claire Robinson and Sue Clarke	
Teaching Assistants	Vanda Paget Jan Cockburn Sue Peters Ana Monkman Lizzie Youngson Heidi Cramp
Reception teacher – Natasha Cleveland	
Teaching Assistants	Jan Cockburn Laurel Gardner
Reception teacher – Tara Bell	
Teaching Assistants	Claire Richardson Vanessa Ahmed Lizzie Youngson
Year 1 (Chestnut) teacher – Helen Runalls	
Teaching Assistants	Sue Solomon Sally Bath
Year 1 (Willow) teacher – Emma Akers	
Teaching Assistant	Val Wadhams
Year 2 teacher – Sinead Roberts	
Teaching Assistants	Alison Gebbie Kate Smith
Year 3 teacher – Michelle Reader	
Teaching Assistants	Katie Baker Sue Lester Jeanette Magee
Year 4 teacher – John Tutt supported by graduate teacher placement Jane Crawford	
Teaching Assistant	Jayne Sayes
Year 5 teacher – Sarah Grimsey	
Teaching Assistant	Katherine Hunt
Year 6 teacher – Kate Spoor	
Teaching Assistants	Juliet Silburn Ellen Stock

Kind regards,

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