



Bishops Down Primary School

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Newsletter no 3

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FOOD AND FASHION FESTIVAL

Tuesday 9th October



Thank you for offers of food, we look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday. Don't forget to dress up!

James Bridge (Parent at Bishops Down) has *foolishly* agreed to run the Royal Parks half marathon on 14th October, in aid of Hospices of Hope - the charity founded by Mrs Wilson's father. James' target is £350 and he has some way to go, as does his last minute training to get ready for it!

He would be very grateful for your sponsorship, for what is a very good cause and his Virgin money page can be accessed through the following link:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?url=JamesBridge3&pageUrl=3>



PARENT DROP IN SESSIONS

This term **Michelle Woods SENDCo** is available for a drop in session on Wednesday 10th October from 1.00pm-3.00pm if you have any Special or Additional needs concerns.

Ellen Stock, Family Support Worker is available on the same day at 9.00am-12.00pm for any family/child/well-being concerns.

Clare Owen, Headteacher is available on Thursday 11th from 1.00pm-3.00pm for general queries and on Friday 12th 1.00pm - 3.00pm for 11+ results and secondary school queries.

No appointment necessary for any of these drop in sessions.

The first parent rep meeting is Friday 12th October. If you have anything that you would like to raise please message or email your class rep.

SPELLING LEAFLET

All class teachers will be sending home a leaflet on spelling. The aim of the leaflet is to give parents some ideas of how to support their child in learning their spellings. If it does not appear in a book bag there will be a copy on the website.



PACKED LUNCH BOXES

Please can all packed lunch boxes be functional and stackable. We have new shelving for the boxes but large, ornate lunch packs will not easily fit. Also please avoid using plastic or paper bags for hygiene reasons.

BISHOPS DOWN PSA
WEDNESDAY 17TH OCTOBER
7.30 P.M. in school

AGENDA

Welcome to new members
and introductions

Resignation of Chair and
Secretary, appointment of
new Chair and Secretary

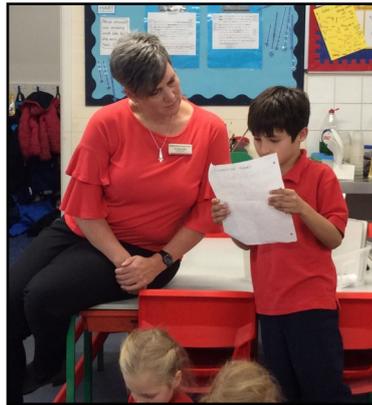
Upcoming events, dates for
the calendar

Fundraising goal for this
academic year

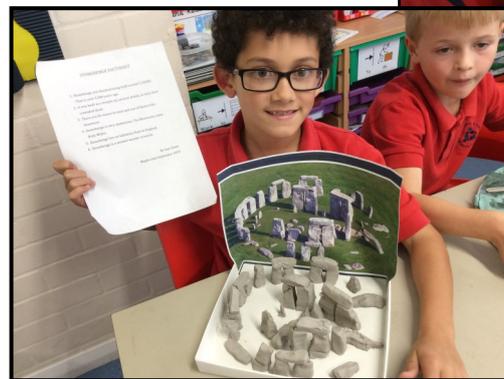
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***All parents welcome— come
and see what we do!***

Forest school volunteers are still needed. Please
speak to the office if you are interested.



**Year 3 Maple presentations
on Stonehenge**



Fortnite– be aware!

This week one of our children has reported possible ‘grooming behaviour’ on the game ‘Fortnite’. The child thankfully dismissed what the adults were offering and suggesting and sensibly informed an adult. The suggestions made to the child appear to match what we know of the early stages of ‘internet grooming’.

Relevant agencies have been informed and action taken. Please be aware that ‘Fortnite’ players can be any age, it is not just a game for children. There are settings that still enable the children to play but with the voice chat feature disabled. There are two information sheets on our website for you to refer to.

Top tips for parents on the ‘Fortnite’ poster include:

- Limit game time
- Restrict payment methods
- Prevent them talking to strangers
- Show them how to make a report
- Look out for VBuck scams
- Use a strong password

If your child is playing Fortnite I strongly recommend reading both of these posters on our parent tab clicking on the e safety link. We need to protect our children from inappropriate adults on-line.

Other information can be found at: <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/news/fortnite-all-you-need-know/> and <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

