



*Bridestowe Primary School – With Respect and Ambition We Flourish Together*

15/07/2022

### **A Year in Review**

This academic year has flown by, and September seems like only yesterday. However, when we consider the achievements of the children, their enrichment and the challenges we have faced – this has been one of the longest!

Thank you to the entire community for your support over the last academic year – it has been invaluable and thoroughly appreciated. Special thank you to FoBS, who have supported the school both financially and through community events. Your commitment has made the school a true community school.

I look forward to the last week of term, starting with 3 days in Bristol with Year 6 before a well-deserved Summer break.

I would also like to take this opportunity to send huge thanks to all the school staff who have gone above and beyond, again, for the school and the children. Their commitment is unrivalled.

### **Residentials**

Thank you to all the Year 3, 4 and 5 children who made our recent residentials so special. The team building experience through completing and enjoying the many activities was brilliant. Plans for next year are already underway, and we cannot wait to do it all again.

We are looking forward to 3 days in Bristol with the Year 6s next week. Pictures and updates to come!



### **Voices Foundation Singing Celebration**

Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to join us for our recent singing celebration. This event was special for the children and showcased some of the singing skills learnt through daily practice at school. Well done to all the children.

### **Open the Book**

Friday saw our last Open the Book assembly of the term – we are always happy to meet with our friends from the Chapel and we thank them sincerely for their time and effort throughout the year.

## **Fire Service Visit**

This week, Barn Owls had a visit from a firefighter, James, who came over from Bovey Tracey. He made sure the children all understood how to prevent fires happening, and the importance of a safe escape route from homes, should a fire start.

James also talked to Year 2 and 3 children. The informative presentation taught them important messages about how to stay safe in a variety of situations, for example, the Stop, Drop and Roll technique if they ever found their clothing to be on fire. The children were absolutely gripped, and left with the task of checking that their homes had sufficient functioning smoke alarms fitted.



## **Sports Day**

Thank you to everyone who attended Sports Day last week. The children thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon. It was amazing to see such determination, resilience and sporting excellence on show – well done everyone, and especially the victorious Typhoons Team.



## **Bikeability**

Year 4 and 6 have been completing Bikeability this week. This vital life skill is an important addition to our curriculum. Thank you to parents for supporting this by bringing in bikes and helmets.

## **FoBS Summer Fair**

FoBS held a Summer Fair in the sunshine on the field this week. There were lots of games and activities for the children to take part in, along with a fabulous cake stall and ice creams to help keep cool. The children and their families had a wonderful afternoon, and all funds raised will help towards enrichment for the children.

## **Leavers' Service**

Parents are invited to join us for the Year 6 leavers' service, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2.00pm at the Methodist Hall.

## **Flourishing Outside School**

Myla took part in her first South West gymnastics competition recently with Okehampton Flyers. She was entered into the 11-12 Years Group and won GOLD. Congratulations on this amazing achievement, Myla!

## **Hot Weather Warning**

As you may be aware, we are expecting very high temperatures next week and we would like to ensure your child is protected from the heat whilst at school.

### **Before School**

- Parents are encouraged to ensure children apply sunscreen before they come to school, and to bring this with them in order to re-apply it when necessary.
- It is essential that your child brings a bottle of water to school, which can be re-filled during the day as needed.
- Children should also bring a sun hat which covers their head, neck and ears to wear.

### **During School:**

- We will encourage the children to stay in the shade during playtime and lunch.
- Children will be encouraged to drink at regular intervals in the classroom during lessons.
- PE classes will, as far as possible, take place in shaded areas or inside spaces. Students will be reminded to wear their sunhats and have water bottles with them. If the heat is excessive, alternative activities will be arranged for your child in a classroom space.
- We are enhancing air circulation with fans in each classroom.

## **Diary Dates**

### **July 2022**

15<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Summer Performance 1.45pm, Methodist Hall

18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Residential to Bristol

22<sup>nd</sup> – Year 6 Leavers' Service 2.00pm, Methodist Hall

22<sup>nd</sup> – Last day of term.

### **September 2022**

7<sup>th</sup> – First day back for children

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**Whole School Attendance**

**94.8%**

