



22nd March 2019

The Period of Preparation

In the Christian calendar it is currently Lent, the period of preparation. The school too is preparing for the Summer Term, SATs, summer performance, sports day, trips and visitors as well as all the great learning! We still have a very busy two weeks before the Easter break when we have many sporting and learning events coming up.

Book Share

The Book share on the 12th March was a fantastic success and the children really enjoyed showing off their learning. Thank you to all the parents who attended. Remember, if you were unable to attend the book share, you can make an appointment with your class teacher at any time.



Potato Planting

This week the children have been planting potatoes as part of a project led by one of our parents, Mrs Perkins. The children have really enjoyed learning about plant life cycles, food production and gardening techniques. Thank you everyone for the donations of compost, and especially Mrs Pritchard who was able to secure a donation from Mole Avon farmers.

Tag Rugby

The Bridestowe teams played with great spirit and showed sportsmanship throughout, which was noted by the young sports leaders who were officiating. The children had great fun and most surpassed their own expectations of what they could achieve. Bridestowe entered three teams. Bridestowe A reached the quarter finals of the cup, having been knocked out by the eventual finalists. Bridestowe C progressed through to the semi-final of the trophy competition, and Bridestowe B made it all the way through to the final of the shield and ended up winning it! A huge congratulations to all those who took part.



Comic Relief

The children really enjoyed wearing red/spots for Comic Relief last week. The biscuit sale was also a great success. The non-uniform raised £62.80 and the biscuit sale £54.00, making a grand total of **£116.80**. Well done everyone!

Large Schools Football

Bridestowe have joined with some of the other Federation schools to enter a team in the 'Large Schools Football Festival' on Monday 25th March. This is one of the benefits of collaborative working and a great way for our children to socialise with others in their age group from the local area.

Devon Cross Country Finals

On Thursday 28th a selection of Y3/4 and Y5/6 girls have been selected to compete in the county schools finals at Torbay Leisure Centre as part of the Dartmoor Federation Team. This is the first time we have ever qualified for the event, so a huge well done. Bridestowe runners make up 4 of the 12 strong team, so a great representation. Again, this is a large benefit of working collaboratively with our Federation schools.



2019 Swimming Gala – 29th March – 1pm

This year's Swimming Gala will be on the 29th March at 1pm. Please come along to Launceston Swimming Pool and support the children in this showcase event. The children have made fantastic progress this term and would love your support.

Parent's Consultations – 2nd April

Booking forms have been sent home for the next Parental Consultation evening on Tuesday 2nd April, 3.30- 7pm. If you are unable to make this date please speak to your class teacher.

Upcoming sports events:

West Devon Football – 25th
Devon Cross Country Finals – 28th
Swimming Gala – 29th
Boasley Cross Cross Country – 3rd April
Quicksticks Hockey – 4th April

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Notices

Barn Owls and Snowy Owls have democratically chosen "Rock Bottom!" as their Summer Production. Performances will take place on the afternoon of the 12th June, and the evening of 13th June. Further details nearer the time.

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Please may we request donations of girls' underwear and socks, tights, and any aged 4/5/6 trousers or skirts for our spare clothing box. Thank you for your support.

Diary Dates

March

25th - West Devon Football

28th – Devon Cross Country Finals

29th – Swimming Gala

April

2nd – Parent's Consultations – 3.30 – 7.00pm

3rd – Cross Country – Boasley Cross

4th – Quicksticks hockey

5th – Last Day of Spring Term

23rd – First Day of Summer Term



Achievements

Care & Courtesy: Rosie, Caiden, Marina, Casper, Allyssia, Lara, Arthur, Jack

Worker: Callum, Emily, Zoe K, Travis, Molly Ea, Niamh, Isobelle, Myla

Behaviour: Felix J, Noah W, Aaron, Ayla, Alistair, Oscar, Ruby D, Jolie

Outside Achievements: Mae was among the winners at a recent Thai boxing event for rising young stars. This means she will take part in a competition in Birmingham later next month. Well done Mae!

Attendance

96.3%

Easter Holidays Matchbox Challenge!

Due to the success of last year's Matchbox Challenge, FoBS have decided to repeat the competition again this year. The Matchbox Challenge Competition 2019 will run over the Easter Holidays. The idea of the Matchbox Challenge is to see how many different things you can fit into a standard sized matchbox. Prizes will be awarded for the most items included, the best decoration, and the most sponsorship.

FoBS will provide each child with a matchbox, the rules and a sponsorship form. All we ask is for a £1 entry fee. The closing date for the Matchbox Challenge is Friday 26th April.