



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

29/04/2022

### **OFSTED – Thank you**

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the children, parents, community, and especially the staff for supporting our OFSTED inspection this week.

The Office for Standards in Education (OFSTED) typically inspect schools once every 4-5 years. Our last inspection was January 2014, so we were well overdue! Bridestowe received a 'section 5' 2-day inspection with 2 inspectors – this is the most rigorous that can be done for a school our size. I was very happy to have such a detailed dive into our school so we could show off the great learning we do here.

During the inspection, inspectors spoke to parents – verbally and via Parent View – spoke to children, visited lessons, scrutinised books, spoke to staff and looked at all our strategic and organisational paperwork.

I was overwhelmed with the positivity that flowed from parental and student comments – thank you.

Having considered all the evidence collected, the inspectors will make judgements in the following areas: Quality of Education, Leadership and Management, Personal Development, Behaviour and Attitudes, Early Years Foundation Stage, and an Overall judgement.

These judgements will be either: Outstanding, Good, Requires Improvement or Inadequate.

We will have the final report and be able to publish in approximately 30 working days.

### **Devon Wildlife Trust – Wildlife Champions**

We are pleased to start our partnership with Devon Wildlife Trust this term. The DWT education team visited on Wednesday to start their 'Wellbeing' workshops with our Wildlife champions.

### **Forest School – Ranger Rob**

We are welcoming Ranger Rob again this term – the first session was this Wednesday where the children learnt whittling skills – fantastic work!

### **Open the Book**

This term we will be visiting the Methodist Chapel for Open the Book assemblies. Our close links with community groups promotes the cultural and wider development of the children. Open the Book present Biblical stories through drama with a focus on moral messages and how we treat others.



## Dates

### **May 2022**

Month of May – Year 2 standardised assessments done in this month.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Bank Holiday

3<sup>rd</sup> – Cricket Sessions with Vicky Reeve

4<sup>th</sup> – DWT Wildlife champions – Session 2

5<sup>th</sup> – Hatherleigh Cricket Festival – Y4s

5<sup>th</sup> – National Child Measurement Programme – EYFS and Y6

9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Standardised Assessments

11<sup>th</sup> - DWT Wildlife champions – Session 3

18<sup>th</sup> - DWT Wildlife champions – Session 4

20<sup>th</sup> – Open the Book

25<sup>th</sup> - DWT Wildlife champions – Session 5

27<sup>th</sup> – Queen’s Jubilee and Bridestowe’s 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

WB 30<sup>th</sup> – May Half term

### **June 2022**

WB 6<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 phonics assessment this week

6<sup>th</sup> – Non-Pupil Day

6<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 Multiplication tables check in this period

10<sup>th</sup> – Open the Book

15<sup>th</sup> – Devon Wildlife Champions conference at Meeth Quarry

21<sup>st</sup> – Under the Sky workshop at Brentor Common

20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> – Year 4 and 5 residential at Great Potheridge House

30<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> July – Year 3 residential at Adventure Okehampton/Boasley Cross

### **July 2022**

8<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day (Afternoon)

8<sup>th</sup> – Open the Book

14<sup>th</sup> – Reserve Sports Day (in the event of poor weather conditions on the 8<sup>th</sup>)

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

22<sup>nd</sup> – Last day of term.

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**Whole School Attendance**

**94.3%**

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