



# Bridestowe Primary School

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Autumn Week 6: 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018



CEO: Mr D.Chapman  
Executive Head of Primary: Mr P. Whittlely

Whole School Attendance: 95.8%

Dear Parents/Carers,



The School would like to say a massive thank you to the local Scouts, Cubs and Beavers members and their leaders. They kindly volunteered their support and skills to spruce up our environmental area after the weather encouraged lots of growth over the



summer!

They came in to the school on Wednesday evening and must have worked their socks off! All the paths are cleared, unwanted wood and metal have been removed, and there is a fire pit, communal area and pond once more! This means that class time in the environmental area will be even more valuable and enriching for all the children.

We are incredibly grateful to these lovely volunteers and hope that they enjoyed this worthwhile project.

Owlets parents joined their children in a mark-making session this morning, where they learnt about the ways the children are taught and how they use these skills in class. Parents also had the opportunity to look through their children's work books. Both children and parents had a very enjoyable and informative time, saying 'very interesting and good fun!'



Last Friday some of the Barn Owls took part in a Netball and Hockey competition. The children played very competitively and with great team spirit – we were very proud of them. The results aren't yet in, but we will let the team know how they did as soon as we hear.

Best Wishes,  
Mrs Lammas



### Achievements

**Care and Courtesy Cup:** Noah S, Marshall, Mia, Emma Ba

**Behaviour:** Sam, Lewis, Molly Eg, Millie

**Worker:** Felix J, Marina, Alistair, Myla

**Pen Licence:** Isabelle

**Glorious Green:** Dan L



**Outside Achievements:** Emily has gained her Level 6 swimming certificate – well done Emily!

### Diary Dates

#### October

16<sup>th</sup> – Open Day for Prospective Parents

18<sup>th</sup> – Y5/6 Hockey Festival

22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Half Term

#### November

1<sup>st</sup> – Book Share Open Afternoon, 2.30pm

2<sup>nd</sup> – Y4 Futsal @ Okehampton College

2<sup>nd</sup> – YR Vision Screening

6<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultations, 3.30 – 6.00pm

7<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultations, 3.30 – 6.00pm

8<sup>th</sup> – Y4/5 Tag Rugby @ Okehampton

13<sup>th</sup> – Tempest Individual & Family Photos

13<sup>th</sup> – Parent Forum, 2.45pm

14<sup>th</sup> – Y4/5/6 Castle Drogo Cross Country

19<sup>th</sup> – Flu Vaccines YR-Y5

22<sup>nd</sup> – Y5/6 Bouldering

23<sup>rd</sup> – Non-Pupil Day

#### December

7<sup>th</sup> – Y5/6 Indoor Athletics @ Okehampton College

12<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Christmas Performance, 2.00pm

14<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day

17<sup>th</sup> – Book Share Open Afternoon, 2.30pm

19<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Lunch

21<sup>st</sup> – Christmas Celebration @ Church, 2.15pm

21<sup>st</sup> – LAST DAY OF TERM

### Y2 Multi-skills



The Year 2 children travelled to Okehampton today to take part in a multi skills festival. The children all thoroughly enjoyed trying out new sports and experiences, and were a credit to the school. Thank you to all the parents who helped transport children; without your help we wouldn't be able to provide these enriching experiences.

### Open Day

We are having an Open Day on 16<sup>th</sup> October for any prospective parents to come and see our amazing school. A poster is attached with this newsletter, and we are happy for you to share the date with any local families you think may be interested in attending.

### Attendance

In line with DMAT absence procedure any child whose attendance drops below 96% will receive an attendance letter. If we have any particular concerns about a child's attendance level a meeting will be arranged with Mrs Lammas. All planned absences must be applied for in advance – please ask for a form in the office.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

### Barn Owls

This week, the Barn Owls have been learning about differences. We have learned about how differences can be caused naturally or by events that have happened in people's lives (WW1). We discussed what we find easy and what we can sometimes struggle with - from expressing ourselves or talking, to understanding our own unique differences. We then delved deeper to talk about specific differences like autism, and how people can have struggles with areas like social situations and social cues. It was a very good discussion in which all of the class participated maturely and in a very supportive manner.

### Job Vacancies

This week there are vacancies for a Teaching Assistant in Lydford, 2 x Catering Assistants in Okehampton College and a Teacher of Mathematics. More information, along with all DMAT vacancies, can be found at <https://www.dartmoormat.org.uk/job-vacancies.html>