



Bridestowe Primary School – With Respect and Ambition We Flourish Together

21/03/2022

Always here to help

The recent rises in fuel and energy prices are putting a squeeze on family finances. A national insurance rise in April is also planned. If you or your family are experiencing any sort of financial difficulty, please speak to us. We can signpost to supporting services and, in some cases, offer supportive grants or materials. We are one community who live, learn and grow together – if you need help, please ask.

Cross Country – North Tawton

Well done to all our runners who took part in the recent cross-country event at North Tawton. All of our children completed the course and there were some brilliant results with Lucy 2nd, Mia 3rd and Molly 6th in the 3/4 girls' race. Arthur was 4th in the 3/4 boys' race and Ellenor 3rd in the 5/6 girls' race.

The final event of the series is today, 21st March.

Thank you again to all parents who have transported and supported the children at the events.



Red Nose Day

Thank you to all who donated via the school to Red Nose Day. The whole school was a vibrant burst of red with plenty of red noses too!

We raised a fantastic £50 in cash on the day, plus online donations.

Residentials

We are pleased to inform you that we are offering a full range of residential trips for all KS2 children this academic year. This is an excellent opportunity for children to build new friendships, make memories and have a great time!

You are now able to secure your child's place via School Gateway.

Down Syndrome Day – 21st March

Today we are wearing odd socks to celebrate and support our friends and community members with Down Syndrome.

For more information on the condition, please follow this link: [What is Down syndrome? - World Down Syndrome Day](#)

Parental consultations

A reminder that you are now able to book a parental consultation with your child's class teacher by using the following forms:

Owlets, Thursday 31st March: <https://forms.office.com/r/Mz0AZxaH3f>

Tawny Owls, Thursday 31st March: <https://forms.office.com/r/wWCihephA5>

Snowy Owls, Thursday 31st March: <https://forms.office.com/r/iKzKDnUArJ>

Barn Owls, Thursday 31st March: <https://forms.office.com/r/veGDUB5jDq>

KS2 Swim Gala

Our KS2 Swim Gala will be taking place this Thursday 24th March at Aqua Stars Swim Academy in the morning. Please ensure your child arrives 'swim ready' at 08.45 for registration as the coach will be departing at 09.00am.

All parents and carers are welcome to come along and support, but we please request that no photos are taken during the event.

PE Kit

Please can we ensure children have the correct PE kit in school on their PE day.

Here is a reminder of what the PE kit needs to include:

Bridestowe PE t-shirt

Bridestowe fleece or hoodie (optional)

Black or burgundy shorts

Black or burgundy leggings or tracksuit bottoms for colder days

Trainers or plimsolls

If anyone has any preloved kit which they would be willing to donate to school including trainers (size 1 and up) they would be gratefully received.



Respect, Ambition, Flourish Awards

Cedric for flourishing in his speaking skills.

Kaitlyn for flourishing in her attitude and effort towards learning.

Edith for flourishing in her work and taking pride in her presentation and handwriting.

Michael for showing ambition in his considered and thoughtful answers to questions.

Felix B

Recently Felix competed at the Dartmoor Sprint Meet at Parklands, his first proper swimming competition. He improved his PBs in all his races and he gained 3rd place for 50m backstroke.

Felix has worked hard to focus on improving his own times so winning a medal was the icing on the cake! Congratulations Felix.

Dates

March 2022

23rd Forest school – Owlets, Tawny and Snowy Owls

24th – KS2 Swim Gala

31st – Parental consultations

April 2022

1st – EYFS, KS1 Swimming

5th – Whole School Trip to Eden Project

6th - Forest School - Owlets and Barn Owls

8th – Easter Service 09.30, St Bridget's Church

8th – EYFS, KS1 Swimming

WB 11th – Easter Break

Mr A. Hill – Principal

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Whole School Attendance

94.9%

[Vacancies - Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust \(dartmoormat.org.uk\)](http://dartmoormat.org.uk)

Current vacancies include:

- Administrators at Black Torrington Primary, Bradford Primary, and St James CofE Primary
 - Teaching Assistants and Higher Level Teaching Assistants (across Trust Schools)
 - Classroom Teachers – Primary (across Trust Schools)
 - Caretakers and Cleaners (across Trust Schools)



Spring Equinox

During assembly, the children spoke about Spring and how to care for and nurture living things. All the children had the opportunity to plant a sunflower seed, which they will take home with them and have responsibility for.

We can't wait to see the results!