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**BISHOPS ITCHINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PART OF STOWE VALLEY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

BE BOLD GO GOLD.



You, our families and staff, raised an amazing **£367** for our Be Bold. Go Gold. charity day for Children's Cancer Trust. Photos of the children dressed in their yellow and gold tops are inside the newsletter for you to see. Thank you to our wonderful FoBIPS members who once again helped us to run this extremely worthwhile fund-raiser for charity. Thanks also goes to Miss Jeacock who organised the event and to the staff who baked all the cakes!

Table Tennis Club



Buckingham's Table Tennis Club meets on Tuesdays after school in the hall. Mr. Purewal runs the club and he is an excellent coach. The children are really enjoying learning a new sports skill.

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

We are nearing the end of our autumn half term. It has been an absolute delight to have our school full of children laughing and learning again. While it is disappointing that our usual calendar of autumn activities has been reduced, we are thankful that since our return everyone in our school remains safe and well; some children and staff have been tested for Covid-19, but so far all results have been negative. Phew! We continue to adhere to all of the safety procedures: our risk assessment is updated regularly and this can be found on our school website.

The entrance/exit arrangements for Reception and Year One will be changed after half term because the track is getting muddy and we would hate for someone to slip. Reception will use the same entrance as Year 2 (coming in later and leaving earlier). Year One will come in through the main front entrance. We encourage parents to wear face coverings when bringing your children to school to help everyone stay safe. Thank you.

What is our approach to the Curriculum?

What we teach your children is determined by the National Curriculum. How we teach your children and how we celebrate their achievements are tailored to your children who live in the Bishop's Itchington community. We strive to teach broad, engaging and memorable experiences through a rich curriculum that maximises real-life experiences; equipping them for their future progression and life choices. You can find information about our curriculum on the school website. Please take a look!

INSET Day—Friday 23rd October

Can I remind everyone that we have a teacher training day on **Friday 23rd October**, so children should not come to school that day. We break up for half term at the end of Thursday 22nd October and return on Monday 2nd November.

Our school is welcoming and nurturing. Please don't hesitate to ask if you have any queries or wish to discuss any matter.

Jacky Sykes

Head of School

Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.

Together we grow happy, responsible and adaptable individuals
who are ready to continue their life-journey.



Stars of the Week

Ladybird's Star of the Week is Tegan



Maddie says: Ladybird's Star of the Week is Tegan! Tegan started in September and has settled in beautifully. She is friendly and cheerful every week and will have a go at absolutely everything. We love Tegan's 'can do' attitude!!

Balmoral's Star of the Week is Lexie



Miss Jeacock says: Lexi has been an amazing friend and role model. She has taken on the role of play buddy to support other children and demonstrates fantastic listening and attention during all adult inputs. She truly deserves to be recognised for all her loving and caring nature to all the other children, well done Lexi.

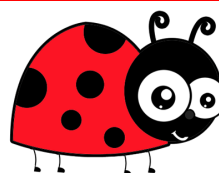
Use of the See Saw App



Teachers access the See Saw App out of school hours for safeguarding reasons. This is because if a parent has an urgent need to contact the school, they are able to. This is especially useful during the pandemic so parents can gain guidance from school if they are worried about infection, testing and the like.

Please could parents only send messages to teachers on school days and before 7pm = unless it is urgent—so teachers can maintain some work/life balance. Thank you.

Caring for everyone's mental health is a priority in our community. So, if any parent has a personal opinion about something at school, then we would be grateful if they could go straight to Mrs. Sykes rather than discuss this on Seesaw. We strive to maintain a positive community spirit in our school and an appointment with Jacky Sykes is always on offer, for any matter. Thank you. We really appreciate your help with keeping our school community safe and positive.



Ladybird Children

If your child is due to start Reception Class next September and you would like a tour around the school, then please could you telephone Ruth Shippey on 01926 612297 in the school office to arrange this. We will be delighted to show you around between 3.45 and 5.30pm when the children have left for the day.



Stars of the Week

Sandringham's Star of the Week is Jack



Mrs. Collen says: Jack is our Star of the Week in Sandringham. Jack is always so keen to impress with his work. He walks in with a beaming smile and it remains all through the school day. A little superstar!

Kensington's Star of the Week is Joel



Mrs. Russell says: Joel is Star of the week for his excellent work in Phonics and Maths this week. Joel is recognising phonic patterns when reading and has shared his understanding with the class. I am very proud of you Joel.



We would like to remind Year 6 families that the deadline for applying for Secondary Schools is **Saturday 31 October**. Applications are made on line. If you require any help with this, please speak to Mrs. Shippey in the office. Thank you.

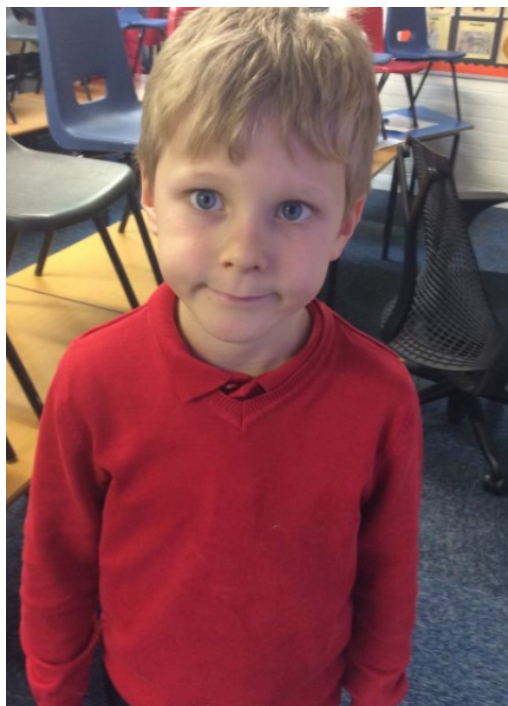


Reception Class at their Forest School



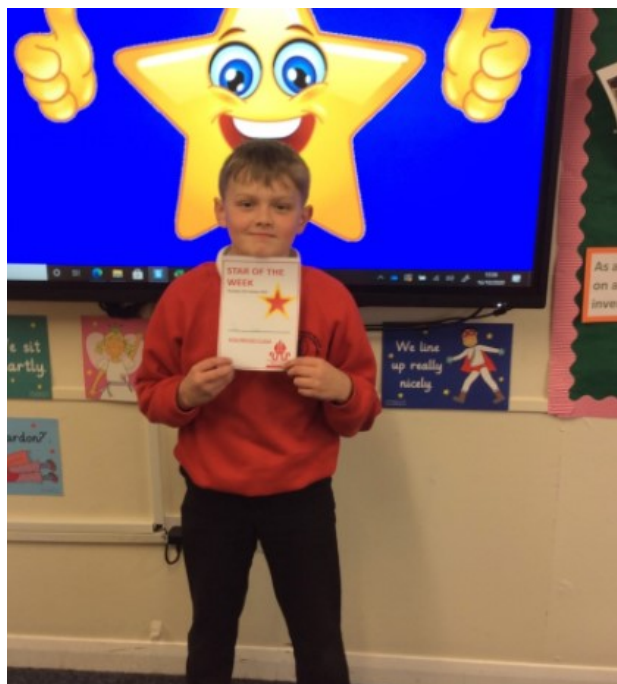
During Forest school this week, Reception Class have been exploring signs of Autumn, looking for changes within our environment and exploring all the wonderful colours that this season brings to their learning. They made an autumn crown each, which they wore all day, including while eating their lunch!

Windsor's Star of the Week is Jacob



Mrs. Daly and Miss Aston say: Jacob has been chosen as Star of the Week due to his growing independence and determination in his learning. He has also been a superstar working with Miss Baxter during group-work this week. Well done

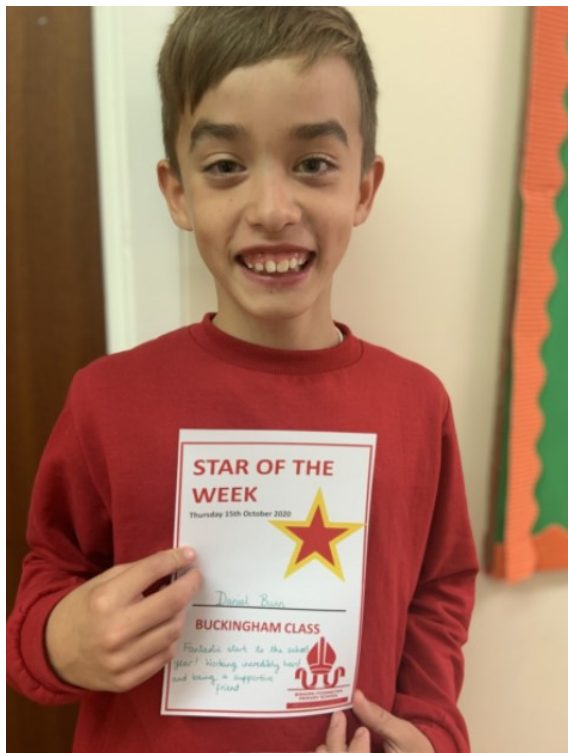
Holyrood's Star of the Week is Joe



Mr Purewal says: Joe has worked incredibly hard this week. He has participated and engaged tremendously in all lessons and has shown great resilience and determination with his learning. Excellent Joe!



Buckingham's Star of the Week is Daniel



Mrs. Hobbins and Mrs. Brindley say: Daniel is a super-star. He is working incredibly hard and is a fabulous friend towards others. Well done, Daniel.

PARENTS' EVENINGS

We will be holding Parents' Evenings during the two weeks after half term.

This will be done using telephone appointments. We will be letting you know how this will operate soon!



Parent guide to Covid-19

What to do if...	Action Needed	Return to school when...
...my child has Covid-19 symptoms (dry, persistent cough, and/or temperature, and/or loss of smell/taste).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school and inform school. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. - Get a test - Inform the school immediately with result. 	...the test comes back negative or a period of 10 days has passed since the symptoms started.
...my child tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us immediately on 07801 506042. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. 	...10 days have passed since symptoms began, AND the child feels well.
...my child tests negative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact school to inform us. 	...the test comes back negative.
...my child has a chesty cough and/or a cold.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - These are not Covid-19 symptoms so you child can come to school if they feel well enough. - Contact school to inform us. 	...when your child feels well enough.
...someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Self-isolate the whole household for 14 days. - Household member to get a test. - Inform school immediately about test result. 	...the test comes back negative.
...someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. - Whole household to self-isolate for 14 days. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified my child as a close contact of somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Do not come to school. - Contact school to inform us. 	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.
...NHS test and trace has identified a household member as having contact with somebody with Covid-19 symptoms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The household member must self-isolate for 14 days. - Child can continue to attend school unless a member of the household develops symptoms. 	...child can continue to attend school.
... a sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to there being a positive case in their school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days. - Bishop's Itchington Primary child(ren) can continue to attend unless they develop symptoms. 	...child can continue to attend school
...my child's bubble is closed due to a Covid-19 outbreak in school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child must not come to school. - Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school. - Your child will need to self-isolate for 14 days. - Other siblings may continue to attend school. 	...school inform you that the bubble will be reopened.
... I am unable to get a test for someone in the household who has symptoms	<i>If you are not able to get a test in the first 5 days of having symptoms, your child and all members of the household must stay at home and self-isolate for 14 days. Anyone in your support bubble must also stay at home.</i>	...the child has completed 14 days of isolation.

BE BOLD GO GOLD.



Here are the photos of your children wearing their gold and yellow tops in support of Be Bold. Go Gold. Thank you parents for helping us to support this wonderful charity!





*****Important*****

Christmas Product Orders

A sample of your child's Christmas masterpiece was sent home with them on Friday 16th October, together with an envelope advising you what items you can purchase. This sample is yours to keep as a memento for taking part.

FoBIPS will be co-ordinating the orders on behalf of parents so if you would like to order

- Please complete the order form envelope attached to the sample and return to the school office by **Thursday 22nd October** together with cash or cheque payable to FoBIPS

If you wish to pay by PayPal please use Fobips@gmail.com and put your eldest child's surname and the first three letters of your eldest child's class (E.g. Davenport – WIN). **Please ensure you use the Friends and Family option when using PayPal otherwise we are deducted charges.**

Pumpkin Hunt – Saturday 31st October *****Update*****

FoBIPS are holding our first ever (socially distanced) pumpkin hunt round the village on **Saturday 31st October from 10:30am until 1:30pm. This event is now FREE of CHARGE thanks to the generosity of MKM Building Supplies and Paul Warren.**

But don't forget to bring your pennies as we will have homemade cakes and toys for sale on the day!

Come and join in the fun and hunt for our cheeky pumpkins who have hidden themselves in parts of the village.

Collect your map and pumpkin sheet from **4 Fisher Road** (Donna's house) between 10:30am and 1:00pm.

Head out round the village and then return to **4 Fisher Road** (Donna's house) with your completed sheet and collect a goody bag and browse our toy and cake stalls.

Social distancing will be in place and we would invite people to complete the hunt in accordance with Government guidelines.

*****Cupcake donations are welcome, please email fobips@gmail.com for a bakers form and to arrange drop off*****

Pre Loved Uniform – will be available to browse (space/weather permitting)

Pre Loved Uniform

During lockdown, we launched our [Pre Loved Uniform](#) Facebook page for parents to share posts of outgrown uniform for passing on to other pupils. Parents are asked to post images of their items together with the sizes and arrange collection between each other. We welcome donations from parents to FoBIPS but they aren't compulsory.

Relax and donate to FoBIPS – what could be better!

One of the local businesses has offered us their support during the month of November – thanks to Zoe Rycroft for this fantastic offer detailed below:

07946 170450

Join us in Supporting Bishops Itchington Primary School
in the month of November

**Enjoy a Stress Release Back Massage (35mins) - £27
and we will donate £8 directly to FOBIPS**

**Purchase a Gift Voucher from our wonderful Christmas Wish List and
we will donate 20% directly to FOBIPS**

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Crazy Hair Day – Friday 6th November

Pink, blue, up or down, unicorn or fairy crown! Children are welcome to come to school with crazy hair on Friday 6th November. Suggested donation is £1 per child. Funds from this event will go to FoBIPS.



Silent Auction



This year we will be holding an online silent auction where parents can bid on prizes given kindly to us by companies. The auction will be live for 2 weeks and will be open, not only to parents but members of the greater community. We need your help and support to share this online event, so please keep any eye out for further details.

If you are a small business or work for a larger organisation that would like to get involved with either sponsorship or prize donation then please email fobips@gmail.com and we will make contact with you. We really appreciate your support.