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**BISHOPS ITCHINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PART OF STOWE VALLEY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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24th September, 2021

Celebration Assemblies

Our Star Learners announced at the Celebration Assembly last Friday were:



Balmoral—The whole class
Sandringham—Mathew
Kensington—Merryn
Windsor—Amiyah
Holyrood—Josey
St. James—Maeve
Buckingham—Scarlett

Achievements were celebrated for:

Eleana (Windsor) - Leamington Wildcats Football Medal
Joseph (Sandringham) - completing the Reading Challenge
Maeve (St. James) - Football Trophy
Harry (St. James) - Grade 1 Drum; cricket and football achievement trophies.
Charlotte (Holyrood) - Bronze Life Guard Stages 1, 2 and 3 (Rookie Lifeguard)
Finley—(Sandringham) - Stage 1 swimming. Football trophy from Southam Mini-Squad.



Our next celebration assembly will be held on 1st October at 3pm at school. All welcome!

We would like parents/relatives and children to record achievements in the Achievement Book; this is looked after by Mrs. Shippey and Miss Williams in the office.

BBQ Success!



On Friday, our family BBQ was attended by around 200 people.... Yes 200! The weather treated us to a warm, although breezy, evening.

Here are some of the comments:

Such a relaxing evening. It was great to see the children playing together

Can we do this again next year?

Wow! An amazing turnout. What a wonderful idea!

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

I would like to give my absolute sincere thanks for Friends of Bishops Itchington Primary School (FoBIPS), who put on the event for us. The dedication and passion from the committee is second to none. The fund-raising 'thermometer' was unveiled showing a target of £10k for Tech! The school is in need of new i-pads (our current ones are some 8 years old!).

Children should come to school if they have mild common cold symptoms and feel well enough; we cannot let the children lose any more learning than is absolutely necessary. If your child has a temperature, a dry continuous cough or a change in taste/smell, please take them for a PCR test and keep them at home until the result comes back. If positive, stay off school for 10 days and let the school know straight away, please. If negative, come straight back to school!

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

Jacky Sykes

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School Council—Autumn 2021



Year 6—Daniel and Daisy
Year 5—Erin and Dylan



Year 4—Holly and Max
Year 3—Merryn and Noah



Year 2—Tia and Orri
Year 1—Scarlett and Oliver



Reception—to be appointed
shortly.



Our School Councillors have been elected via democratic vote, and they held our first meeting was held last week when the children shared the ideas that their class members had suggestions:

A shelter in the playground—FoBIPS are providing this at half term.

More games to play at lunchtime such as Giant Jenga and to have more sports equipment out on the playground. School will be purchasing some of these and Midday Supervisors will organise an equipment rota.

Repair football goals—Mr. Cree has done this.

Even more good books in the library—Mrs. Russell will be delighted that the children continue to be so enthusiastic about their love of reading.

The meeting was a great success with all children enthusiastic about putting forward their class's suggestions. They are indeed a wonderful group of children.

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COVID IN SCHOOL

What if a member of my family tests positive?

You should test your child with a lateral flow test at home.

If the result of the LFT is negative: your child should still come to school and test every morning for 10 days at home to check they remain negative.

If the result is positive: Book a PCR appointment (The PCR Test is more accurate than the Lateral Flow Test you do at home). If it positive, they should isolate for 10 days. If it is negative, then they come to school.



What if my child feels unwell?

If these are Covid symptoms: high temperature, new dry persistent cough or a change in taste/smell, they should stay at home and go for a PCR test.

If the symptoms are not Covid-related, then send your child into school if they are well enough so they don't miss their learning.

If you are in any doubt, then please telephone school and we will support you and please always keep school fully informed of your child's health through the office or on Seesaw with your child's class teacher.

If you are able to be double-jabbed and are not, please could we urge you to book this right away to protect yourselves and the NHS.



Holiday Club will be available—provided we receive enough interest— during the half term holiday from Monday until Thursday.

The club is open to all ages and the children do activities such as gardening, lego and construction, arts and crafts, and more.

Please let Mrs. Shippey or Miss Williams know in the school office if you would like to register your interest. Bookings are now being taken!



House Cross-Country

Thursday 30th September at 2.15pm

We are holding a House Cross Country event on the school field starting at 2pm next Thursday.

We recognise that for some children, running is exciting whereas for other, it can make them feel anxious. We are very happy for those children to walk around the course—it isn't really a race but an opportunity to have some fun!

If the weather is wet, we will have to cancel for safety reasons. An email message will be sent to all parents at 11am, confirming Yes or No. We would prefer you not to telephone the school but to wait for your message to come through.

Reception will run first accompanied by Year 6

Years 1 and 2 will run together

Years 3 and 4 will run together

Years 5 and 6 will run together.

All children will receive a house point for each lap they complete. The following day, the winning house will be announced.

Parents are welcome to attend. Please enter the school grounds via the gate on Ladbroke Road. We are asking parents to stand along the right hand fence in the allocated spectator area.

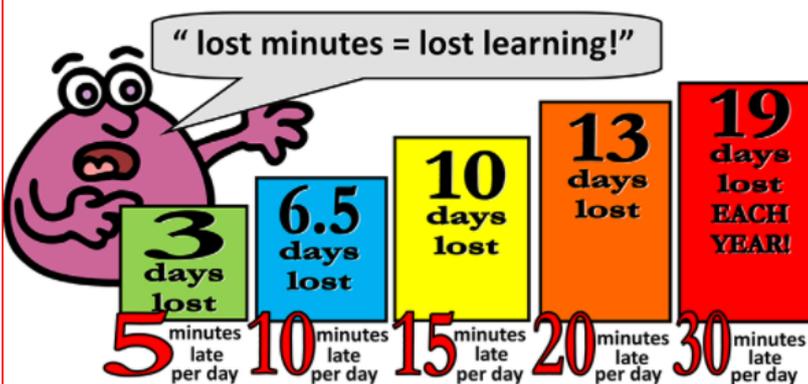
Please can parents stay separated from the children throughout and if a child needs support, then their teacher will help them.

This is a safeguarding requirement as teachers cannot keep track of where their children if they are encouraged to leave their class. Thank you so much for your understanding.



Dates This Term

24 th Friday	Years 5 and 6 on Victorian Trip to Holdenby House	All Day
30 th Thursday	Cross-Country event at school—all welcome	2pm
October		
1 st Friday	Celebration Assembly—all welcome	3pm
15 th Friday	Celebration Assembly—all welcome	3pm
22 nd Friday	Harvest Festival—Infants 2pm; Juniors 2.30pm	2pm and 2.30pm
25 th Monday	Half term holiday for one week	
November		
1 st Monday	Inset Day—children do not come to school this day	
2 nd Tuesday	Parents' Evening	3.45—6.00pm
4 th Thursday	Parents' Evening	4.00—7.00pm
December	Event	Time
4 th Saturday	FoBIPS Christmas Fair	12—3pm
7 th Tuesday	Reception Class Nativity	afternoon
8 th Wednesday	Year 1 and 2 Class Nativity	afternoon



Every school day counts BUT every minute is equally important!

Each Morning:

8.45am Please come onto the playground. **8.50am** Bell rings—children come into school, hang up coats, wash hands & settle in classrooms.

8.55am Learning starts

Children who are late may:

- * feel embarrassed walking into a full classroom
- * miss instructions about the day's activities
- * miss the beginning of their learning

CLUBS AFTER SCHOOL: These Clubs are Free of Charge

Mondays: Multi-sports—Years 1, 2 and 3

Please speak to office to book your child a place.

Wednesdays: Netball—Years 4, 5 and 6

Start 3.30pm end 4.30—pick up main front entrance.

Thursdays: Football—Years 4, 5 and 6

GET ACTIVE!



School Year Term Dates

Autumn Term 2021

Term Starts	Monday 6th September (Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd were Teacher Training Days). New Reception Class in school for the morning this week.
Half Term	Monday 25 th October to Friday 29th October Teacher Training Day Monday 1st November Children return to school on Tuesday 2nd November
Term Ends	Friday 17 th December – end of this day
Christmas Holiday	Monday 20th December to Monday 3rd January (Tuesday 4th January is Teacher Training Day) Children return on Wednesday 5th January

Spring Term 2022

Term Starts	Wednesday 5th January
Half Term	Monday 21st February to Friday 25th February
Term Ends	Friday 8th April – end of this day
Spring (Easter) Holiday	Monday 11th April to Friday 22nd April Children return on Monday 25th April

Summer Term 2022

Term Starts	Monday 25th April Monday 2nd May—Bank Holiday (one day)
Half Term	Monday 30th May 2021 to Friday 3rd June (Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd are bank holidays) Teacher Training Day Monday 6th June Children return on Tuesday 7th June
Ends	Thursday 21st July – end of this day
Summer Holiday	Friday 22nd July to Friday 2nd September Monday 5th September is a teacher training day) Children return to school on Tuesday 6th September.

An additional bank holiday has been agreed for Friday 3rd June 2022 in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. As Warwickshire schools will already be on their half-term holiday on this day, it has been decided that an additional one day's holiday will be taken on Friday 22nd July 2022, meaning that the summer term 2022 will now end on Thursday 21st July 2022.

Warwickshire School Term and Holiday Dates - 2021/22

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July 2022						
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Half Term	Days
1	37
2	35
3	34
4	30
5	24
6	34
Total*	194

	Total days
Autumn Term	72
Spring Term	64
Summer Term	58



■ School Holiday * one more day of holiday than usual due to additional day granted for
■ Public Holiday Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday
■ Teacher Training Day (+3 to be set by school)



■ School Induction Day



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