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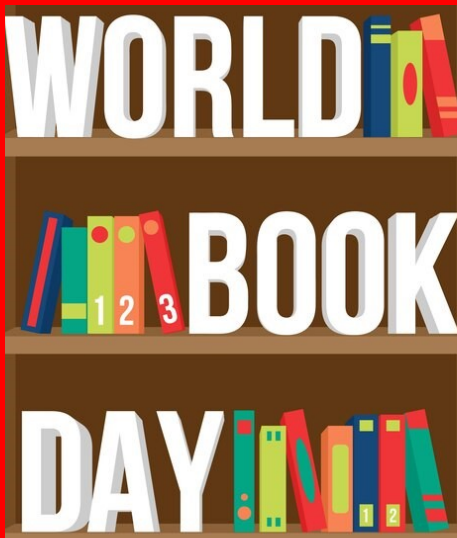
24th February 2022



**BISHOPS ITCHINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PART OF STOWE VALLEY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

Thursday 3rd March



We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March. We are asking children to dress up as their favourite book character (please not video game characters) and to bring their book with them (if this is possible). This is a celebration of reading and so no need for donations.

Characters can be from fairy tales, Disney books, novels, anything they like.

We hope the children will enjoy celebrating book day at our school!

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

I hope you have enjoyed half-term with your families and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 28th February.

In case you missed my email earlier this week, here is an update about Covid.

Following the announcement from the Prime Minister earlier this week, we will be relaxing Covid restrictions in school from the second week back (7th March). This means that classes will be able to mix in school. A child should now attend school unless they are unwell. Should a child test positive for Covid-19, then we would recommend they stay away from school, but this is no longer a legal requirement. Within school, we will continue to exercise precautionary routines such as regular hand-washing. The wearing of face coverings by adults and testing are voluntary and these practices continue to be supported and respected by our school community for those who choose to continue with these precautionary measures.

Our teachers and FoBIPS are currently planning exciting events for the children, so the following page contains all of those diary dates I know about so far—with others coming!

Don't forget Parents' Evening on Tuesday 1st and Thursday 3rd March—please contact the school office if you have not done so yet.

Jacqui Sykes

Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.

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

Years 4, 5 and 6—Playing on the Field at Lunchtime



If they wish, children in Years 4, 5 and 6 may bring 'outside shoes' into school to change into so they can play on the field at lunchtime. A rack to put the shoes on will be outside Mr. Purewal's Classroom under the shelter.

This is voluntary and will give those children who wish to run around and play ball games during their lunch hour the opportunity to do so.

[Once the ground is dry, then the field can be used by all children]

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB



Monday 11th—Thursday 14th April, and
Tuesday 19th—Thursday 22nd April.

Please let Mrs. Shippey/Miss Williams know if your child would like a place. Unfortunately, we can run the club according to demand, so please let us know asap! Thank you.

SPORTS CLUBS 2nd WEEK BACK

FOOTBALL CLUB ON TUESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL

Football Club will be open to all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

NETBALL CLUB ON THURSDAYS AFTER SCHOOL

Mr. Purewal will be sending out an email with the details first week back. Netball will be open to all children in Years 4, 5 and 6.



What's on week commencing 28th February 2022?

	Before School	Morning	Lunchtime	Afternoon	After School
Monday 28 th Feb	Buddies			Swimming Holyrood	Buddies
Tuesday 1 st March	Buddies				Buddies Parents' Evening No football club
Wednesday 2 nd March	Buddies				Buddies
Thursday 3 rd March	Thursday is World Book Day – Children dress up as their favourite character				
	Buddies				Buddies Parents' Evening No netball club
Friday 4 th March	Buddies		Eco-Club Years R-6 outdoors		Buddies



We were “blown away” by the support for our cake sale on the last Friday before the holidays.

Cake Sale raises £219.93 for £10k for TECH!!!!

Thank you to all who provided us with delicious and creative treats – they went down a “storm”

Thank you to those parents who weathered the storm and purchased lots of tasty treats, at one point we thought a tornado had been through the doors and swopped all the cakes.

Massive thanks to Miss Jeacock and Miss Aston who supported our contingency plan to bring the sale indoors in a safe and secure manner for everyone.

That’s another £219.93 to add to our £10k for TECH target – more on that in the next newsletter.

Things to look forward to this half term.

In recognition that it’s not only Mothers|and Fathers who add value to children’s lives, we have decided to rename our gift rooms going forward.

So on Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd March we will open our “**Wonder Women**” Gift Room and invite pupils to bring some money to school to purchase gifts for the wonderful women who are important to them. We will name the gift room for men “**Magnificent Men**” Gift Room this will be held in June.

As we haven’t run a “gift room” in a while and there are a number of parents who are new to school then here’s a bit more information on how it works. (For those in the know please skip this bit)

Children can choose to visit the gift room on either day, and choose from a selection of gifts priced from 50p to £3.00 (we very rarely have anything more than £3).

We open the gift room at lunch time and this year it will be held in the Buddies (After School Club) room.

Sometimes teachers will bring the pupils down to us during lesson times (usually reception and year 1), so it’s easier if the children from these classes have money in an envelope with their name, class and the amount written on it.

Fobips members and teachers will support the children with their purchases, we will guide them by checking that the receiver likes chocolate, bath bombs etc. We love to hear their stories of why they are buying certain items and what it means to them. It really is a privilege to help them with their choices.

Once the children have chosen their items, they go to the cash desk to pay for them, we support them with this and ensure any change is passed back to them or their teacher. For older children they will often add up their purchases or tell us how much change they need. It’s great exposure to money and transacting business for them and it’s in a safe environment too.

Now that the items have been paid for the children move to the label and bagging area. Each child is provided with a label to write their name on and a brown bag for keeping their gifts safe. The gift if fragile is wrapped in bubble wrap and placed in the bag and the bag is sealed with the label attached to the handle. If time and space permits children may be able to decorate their own labels (we may do this in wet breaks/or class time if time permits during w/c 14 March).

Each class has its own box and each child’s bag is stored in the box for their class. These boxes are stored in school safely until the end of Friday 25th March when they are distributed by our Year 6 class to the correct classrooms and given out by teachers before the children leave school that day.

How can I help with the Wonder Women's Gift Room?

We need about 6 volunteers to help run this event smoothly. We usually have three people helping children choose items, one person taking the money and two people wrapping the gifts and placing them in the storage boxes.

We set up around 11am and finish around 1:30pm – if you can spare an hour on either Monday 21st or Tuesday 22nd March between those times then please let us know. This event is ideal for a grandparent to help at. Most of the tasks can be completed sitting down so if you have a relative who has time on their hands and wants to support the school then please email fobips@gmail.com or call/message Donna on 07825 837326.

How do FoBIPS get the gifts?

We try wherever possible to obtain donations for our gift rooms, this means that each item carries a 100% fundraising value. We rely on parents, [friends](#) and the village community for donations of unused/unopened cosmetics, jewellery, stationery, trinkets, ornaments or gifts that females would appreciate. If we don't feel we have enough donations to meet the anticipated demand, then we will purchase items from shops and add a percentage to the cost so we can still raise funds from the sale of these items.

Anyone wishing to donate items can hand them to any FoBIPS member on the playground, drop them into the plastic box labelled FoBIPS in the school reception area – maybe on parents' evenings.

Ideally, we would need all items to be donated by Monday 7th March so we can complete the pricing session and give us time to purchase more if needed.

Important dates for your children's social diary!



Friday 8th April – Cake Sale at school

Saturday 25th June – The return of the famous and fabulous FoBIPS Summer Fayre

Please make sure you keep up to date with FoBIPS events by liking our Facebook pages

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Please share on your Facebook pages with newcomers to the village and school

<https://www.facebook.com/Fobips>

[Fobips - Pre Loved Uniform for BIPS | Facebook](#)

CALENDAR SPRING (2) 2022

Week 1 - March

Monday 28th	7.45pm – FoBIPS Meeting. Year 4 swimming
Tuesday 1st	3.45 – 6pm – Parents Evening (No Football Club)
Wed 2nd	
Thursday 3rd	World Book Day – Children dress up as their favourite character 4.00 – 7pm – Parents Evening
Friday 4th	Eco-Club at lunchtime outside

Week 2 - March

Monday 7th	Assemblies Resume this week (provided Covid cases are stable).
Tuesday 8th	Science Day – All classes to do Science All day! Football Club Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 after school
Wed 9th	
Thursday 10th	Choir at lunchtime Netball Club after school – Years 4, 5 and 6
Friday 11th	Eco-Club at lunchtime 3pm – Celebration Assembly (no parents yet – sorry). Please send certificates or achievements your child wishes to share. The 'Achievement Book' is held in the school reception area and Mrs. Shippey and Miss Williams will be pleased to help.

Week 3 - March

Monday 14th	11.45 – 3pm – Yr6 Southam's Got Talent at Southam College
Tuesday 15th	Football Club after school
Wed 16th	
Thurs 17th	Choir at lunchtime. Netball Club
Friday 18th	Eco-Club at lunchtime. Year 6 Assembly

Week 4 - March

Monday 21 st	Wonder Women Gift Room at lunchtime FoBIPS.
Tuesday 22nd	Wonder Women Gift Room at lunchtime FoBIPS. Football Club
Wed 23 rd	9.30am – PSHE Subject Assembly
Thurs 24th	Netball Club
Friday 25th	3pm – Celebration Assembly

Week 5 – March/April

Monday 28th	Poetry Week. Year 6 SATS Evening
Tuesday 29th	Football Club
Wed 30th	
Thurs 31st	Netball Club
Friday 1st	Poetry Assembly School Disco by FoBIPS after school

Week 6 – April

Monday 4 th	
Tuesday 5th	Football Club
Wed 6th	
Thursday 7th	Netball Club
Friday 8th	3pm – Trophy and Celebration assembly. Last day of term. 3.30pm – Bake Sale by FoBIPS.

KEY DATES SUMMER TERM 2022

April 2022	
Monday 25 th	Summer Term Starts Mrs. Collen teaching in Year 1 full time.
May 2022	
Monday 2nd	Bank Holiday
Monday 9th	Year 6 SATS this week
Friday 27th	Queen's Jubilee Playground Party Break up for Half Term
June 2022	
Monday 6th	INSET Day – Children do not come to school on this day.
Wednesday 8th	British History Day
Tuesday 14th	Magnificent Men Gift Room Lunchtime (FoBIPS)
Thursday 16th	Magnificent Men Gift Room Lunchtime (FoBIPS)
Tuesday 21st	MAT Schools' Performance at Belgrade – Choir to perform
Saturday 25th	Summer Fair
Thursday 30th	Years 5 and 6 residential trip to Kingswood (1 night)
Friday 1 st July	Years 5 and 6 residential trip to Kingswood
July 2022	
Monday 4 th	
Monday 11th	
Tuesday 19th	Sports Day (moved from Monday 18 th due to swimming)
Wednesday 20th	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly Year 6 Leavers' BBQ
Thursday 21st	Last day of term
September 2022	
Monday 1st	Autumn Term Begins INSET Day – children do not come to school this day.
Tuesday 2nd	All children return to school

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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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