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NEWSLETTER SUMMER TERM

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**BISHOPS ITCHINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PART OF STOWE VALLEY MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

Celebration Time



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to our Star Learners who were awarded their certificates in our Celebration Assembly last Friday.

Balmoral: Oliver and David

Sandringham: Oliver and Jamie

Kensington: Noah and Benjamin

Windsor: Millie and Emily

Holyrood: Willow and Annabel

St. James: Ollie and Elijah

Buckingham: All of Year 6



Achievement Awards:

Lauren (Holyrood) - Wolf Run Medal

Penny (Sandringham) - Beavers Award

Bertie (Windsor) - Cubs Award

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

We had an eventful last half term with more to come for the next!

Of particular note, was our great Jubilee Playground Party held on Friday afternoon.

The children dressed up to show their patriotism: queens and kings, or in red, white and blue!

The weather was wonderful and many a sandwich and fairy cake was eaten. Music was played and the children and staff danced. It was such a radiant afternoon and a truly memorable experience for the children.

Thanks to our parents for your food donations and all left-overs we have given to Bishops Itchington Food Bank.

Don't forget that our Summer Fair is next Saturday (11th June) from 12pm—3pm. Please come along and support your school. FoBIPS are in need of some help tidying up after the event if anyone can help with this please let FoBIPS or school know.

Please can children bring full water bottles into school, sun hats and come already wearing sun lotion protection as the sun is strong in June/July? Thank you.

Jacky Sykes



**Bishops Itchington
Summer Fayre**

**SATURDAY
11TH
12-3PM
JUNE**

HISTORY DAY 24th May 2022



Analysing Historical Sources (Years 4, 5 and 6)

We looked at images of events relating to HRH Queen Elizabeth. We looked at clues from the sources to help us create a time-line of her life.

The Museum of Artefacts (Years 1, 2 and 3)

In the Museum of artefacts, the children found historical items from World War II, pick-up jacks game, fossils and ornaments. They had to guess what the artefacts were used for and when! They did really well.



Examining Old British Coinage.

We looked at old coinage including the one-penny, the threepenny-bit, crowns, half-crowns and farthings.

We looked at coins from recent history and some displayed the head of HRH Queen Elizabeth II and some of her father, HRH King George VI.



Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.

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

Rev. Martin Green visits Year One Class



Tuesday 17th May had a visit from Rev. Green. In RE, we have been learning about what it means to belong to a faith community. The children had prepared questions to ask Martin such as- What is your favourite part of the Easter celebration? Who do you meet in your job? How did you become a reverend?

The children asked their questions with real intrigue and listened intently. Rev. Green ended the Q&A with an invite to the church to talk us through how weddings and baptisms are held. We look forward to arranging this! Well done Year 1.



Bruce's Bum-Bag Club!



As you may be aware, Bruce in Sandringham has Type One Diabetes. He has a glucose sensor on his arm and a phone to monitor his levels. The phone must be kept near to him at all times, and this is done by him putting it inside a bum-bag, which he wears throughout the day. This brilliant system allows Bruce to develop his independence.

The bum-bag is a great solution for him to carry his phone around safely, but Bruce felt a little uncomfortable wearing something different to his peers. So, Year One have launched Bruce's Bum Bag Club!!

Everyday, Bruce gets to pick two friends to wear a bum bag with him. Everyone is very excited and can't wait to be chosen (particularly to wear my very fetching leopard print bum-bag). Well done Sandringham for being such a kind and inclusive class.

Long Live the Bum Bag Club!
Mrs. Collen

Remiah reading to Olive in the Library!



Sandringham Class shared and studied the book, "The Queen's Hat and her Corgi". The children then adapted the story using their own words to the title, "Mrs. Sykes' Scarf and Olive".

Remiah shared her own story with Olive and Mrs. Sykes! It was absolutely brilliant as were all the other stories written by Year One. Well done, Sandringham Class, you are such brilliant writers!



Committee Vacancy

We have one space available on our committee, we welcome new members and fresh ideas so if you are interested in learning more about becoming a committee member, how we work, what a committee member role involves then please contact Donna on 07825 837326

Martha raises £45.58 at Jubilee Sale



Martha very kindly gave up her time and made some beautiful jubilee decorations and baked some delicious jubilee themed cakes which she sold outside her home on Thursday.

Martha picked a lovely day and offered her customers a drink and a seat to relax and enjoy their cakes in the sunshine. Martha decided to give the money raised from her sales to school via FoBIPS.

Thank you Martha, what a great total raised!

Fayre – Everything YOU need to know

And how you can help us bring YOU a brilliant event.

We are so excited to be able to host our first summer fayre since 2019 – we have missed this event so much! This year we are short a few people, so the team are working extra hard at present to bring you a fun packed event.

However, we can't do it on our own so below is the details on what we have planned so far and how you can help us - there are a number of ways you can help so don't panic you don't have to run a stall if that's not your thing!

FoBIPS Stalls – Madeleine Harrington is organising our games stalls, if you feel able to help for 30mins/1hour please let Madeleine know and she will add you to our stall rota. The more parents that help us the more we can offer at the event.

Advertising – Donna Davenport is looking after our sponsorship and advertising for this event and will be contacting local businesses to ask for their support in return for some advertising on our specially designed tote bags. (Full details are included in a PDF document attached to this newsletter).

If you run a business or know a business that would like some exposure, then please email fobips@gmail.com

Please note our timeframe for advertising is very tight and all artworks must be received by 20th May 2022

Stalls – Jeunine Crabtree is the point of contact for any stall holders, if you sell or make items and wish to have a stall then please email fobips@gmail.com and Jeunine will make contact. **Please note that we are unable to have stalls that sell food items**

Attractions – Ed Rycroft is busy organising our attractions and we are delighted to be bringing the usual bouncy castle to the fayre along with face painting and..... Total WIPEOUT! Take on your friends, your parents/children or just other pupils in our Total WIPEOUT challenge – Can YOU be the last one standing?



Mrs. Kostiuk in the office has been very busy supporting our Summer Fayre Raffle and has secured us a variety of fantastic prizes. Raffle tickets will be sent home with children very soon and are priced at £1.00 per ticket (each child will receive 2 books i.e. £10 worth). Please note that you do not have to sell all the tickets, any tickets sold, together with the money should be returned to school in a named envelope via our red post boxes or via class teachers by **Wednesday 8th June** so we can ensure your tickets are entered for the draw. If you are unable to sell your tickets, please return the books as soon as possible so we can pass them on or sell them on the day.

1st Prize - £200 voucher towards a narrow boat holiday from KateBoats

2nd Prize - £100 cash provided by The Greaves Club

3rd Prize – 2 tickets to Go Ape! Coventry

Other prizes include Warwick Castle tickets, Coventry City home league game tickets, Comedy Club tickets, Wrendale Artwork, Cotswold Wildlife Park tickets and much much more!

Café Menu – we will be offering our usual array of delicious cakes and tasty lunch time treats. Look out for more information in the next newsletter.

Bakers - If you can help us by baking for the fayre, please let us know as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. You can email us fobips@gmail.com or contact Donna on 07825 837326.

There will of course be some fun games, the bottle tombola, a chocolate tombola (donations via non-uniform day on **Friday 20th May**) and each class will have it's own stall.

Set up – these types of events take a lot of work to get ready for a 12noon start so if you're able to hang bunting, carry a table, stick up a sign or too then we need you to come a bit earlier and help the team. Those who help us set up get early access to the event and subject to it being setup their children can access our inflatables.

Tidy up – we like to try and leave the school/playground as we found it (and ready for the teachers and children on Monday) so if you don't mind emptying bins, taking down signs or bunting, moving tables or generally packing stuff away then this is the job for you!

If you are able to help us in anyway please email us at fobips@gmail.com if everyone pull together we can bring you a fabulous event that's fun for all.

The Summer Fayre is fun for all the family, friends, grandparents, aunts and uncles, anyone really (well except dogs – unless they are assistance dogs). So come and join us on Saturday 11th June 12noon – 3pm.

Card machine will be available in the café but bring your cash too as we are happy to accept that.
Hand sanitising stations will be positioned around the playground.
One last request – please wish for sunshine!

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

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

Holiday Requests



We know how wonderful it would be if we could all be on holiday all of the time! However, requests for parents to take children out of school during term time – unless there are exceptional circumstances—will not be authorised.

Did you know that if your child misses a week at school, they will return with a gap in their learning that is difficult to repair? Each lesson is a building block of knowledge with the next lesson building on the last. By taking your child out of school, the building blocks are missing, which can cause your child to

struggle. Children can feel embarrassed and vulnerable if they are put in this position because; they will not know what previous learning has taken place, they will have missed experiences within the learning environment, and they will have lost the opportunity to join in with discussions around the learning that occurred when they were absent. This applies to every single age group.

Children know when they have missed their learning and missed out of social interaction with their classmates. This can make them feel left-out, worried about coming to school, and affect their mental wellbeing.

Missing school also affects the other children in the class because adults have to spend valuable teaching time helping your child to catch up. This takes an adult away from the children they have been planned to work with, which affects the education of other children.

If there is an exceptional reason for your child to be out of school, then please send your application form into the school office (Application for Leave of Absence for a School Pupil in Term in Exceptional Circumstances Only). You will need to provide supporting evidence, which could include a letter from your employer explaining your work pattern (for example, NHS-employee); a third-party letter referring to an overseas family wedding; or similar.

All requests and supporting evidence will be considered jointly by the Head Teacher and a School Governor—and this should be received at least four weeks before the intended absence.

The position of the Stowe Valley MAT is that if a pupil does not attend school when permission has not been granted, the parents can be prosecuted.

Obviously, in cases where there is illness within the family or a funeral or similar, then these would be seen as exceptional circumstances automatically and notice would not be needed. A phone call to Mrs. Sykes would be sufficient. In such circumstances, the school would wish to offer support to the family in any way we can.

We hope this clarifies the school's position on term-time holidays and explains the reasons why we have this policy in place. I am grateful to you, our parents and carers, for supporting the school in this policy to ensure all of our children reach their potential at our school.



Children cannot:

- un-see what they have seen,
- un-hear what they have heard,
- un-experience what they have experienced.

Please help and guide them to keep themselves and others safe.

Safeguarding children is everyone's responsibility.



Established in 1994, Safeline is a specialist charity that works to prevent sexual violence and abuse and support those affected to cope and recover. They believe that **everyone** affected by or at risk of sexual violence and abuse should feel **supported and empowered**.

One of the charities main activities is to provide Early Intervention services to help prevent child sexual abuse and effective early support to children and young people who are at risk throughout England and Wales. We would like to recommend to you the following Parent Workshops that helps you to understand the risks around internet safety, mental health and bullying and sexual harassment for young people:

SAFELINE'S PARENT WORKSHOP

HOW TO KEEP YOUR CHILD SAFE ONLINE, IMPROVE THEIR MENTAL HEALTH & LEARN HOW TO DEAL WITH BULLYING

Internet Safety—Monday 27th June 5-6pm

Mental Health—Monday 4th July 5-6pm

Bullying and Sexual Harassment—Monday 11th July 5-6pm

It is recommended that parents attend all 3 sessions to gain a deeper understanding into your child's welfare. Please confirm your attendance via email at: Patrinda.chahal@safeline.org.uk.

Join SafeLine on a Zoom Meeting ID: 982 363 3370. The sessions are free of charge. If you miss the sessions, you can contact Patrinda Chahal for a personal session on Zoom. This is open to all parents and is recommended because on-line risks are real for children.



Keep your child hydrated

As the weather starts to hot up again, this a reminder that children need 6-8 water based drinks each day to remain hydrated and encourage healthy bowels & bladders. But when your child is a drink-dodger this can be difficult! Here are some tips and tricks that might help.

1. Make ice lollies using well diluted squash. Don't add sugar and avoid using black-currant squash which can irritate the bladder.
2. Draw lines on drinks bottles. This gives kids a visual goal of how much they should drink at different times of the day, which helps when they're at school and it's hard to keep track of how much they're drinking.
3. Jazz up their water with ice cubes, umbrellas and slices of fruit.
4. Buy or customise your own funky straws.
5. Let them choose their cup and fill it themselves.
6. Make sugar-free jellies that contain the equivalent of one cup of water.
7. Fill up a water dispenser with an easy tap on the front at home and fill with water and slices of citrus fruit and encourage them to use it throughout the day to get their own drink.
8. For younger children let them use a play tea set and fill up the teapot with water and ask them to make some 'cups of tea' to drink the water from tea cups. Hold a 'tea party and get them involved pouring the water and drinking it.

CALENDAR SUMMER 2202

The Calendar will be re-issued each weekend and may include amendments, so please keep an eye on updates!

June 2022	
Monday 6th	INSET Day – children do not come to school today
Tuesday 7th	Whole Class Photos morning
Friday 10th	School Trip Years 1 and 2 – Warwick Castle Dental checks for Reception in the afternoon Year Six Assembly
Saturday 11th	Summer Fair 12-3pm
Monday 13th	Years 3, 4 and 5 assessments this week New Parents' Reception Welcome Meeting 5pm
Wednesday 15th	Reception Class trip to Sealife Centre Key Stage 2 French Tuck Shop
Thursday 16th	Marvellous Men Gift Room Lunchtime (FoBIPS)
Friday 17th	Marvellous Men Gift Room Lunchtime (FoBIPS) Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 21st	MAT Schools' Performance at Belgrade – Choir to perform
Wednesday 22 nd	Reception Class Stay and Play 9.30am and 11.30 sessions
Friday 24 th	Make Music! Day
Thursday 30 th	Years 5 and 6 Residential

July 2022	
Friday 1 st July	Years 5 and 6 Residential Celebration Assembly Reports sent out to Parents
Wednesday 6th	Year 6 Transition Day to Southam College Whole school transition day – children go to new classes for the morning
Thursday 7th	Year 6 Transition Day to Southam College all day
Friday 8th	Dress Rehearsal School Play – to whole school morning Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 12 th	KS2 Play performances 2pm and 6pm.
Wednesday 13th	Parents' Evening – open school – no appointments (3.30pm – 5.30pm)
Thursday 14 th	3pm Whole school art exhibition - parents welcome (3pm onwards)
Friday 15th	Trophy Assembly FoBIPS School Discos early evening
Tuesday 19 th	Sports Day – Infants morning. Juniors Afternoon
Wednesday 20th	2pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly. Year 6 Leavers' BBQ
Thursday 21 st	Last Day of Term
Friday 22 nd	

September 2022	
Monday 5th	Autumn Term Begins INSET Day – all staff return – no children in school this day
Tuesday 6th	All children return to school