

# Bishops Itchington Primary and Ladybirds Pre-School

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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 on Friday:

Sandringham: Jamie, Savannah and Lexi

Kensington: Ben

Windsor: Edward and Arthur

Holyrood: Luca and Lauren

St. James: Erin and Evelyn

Buckingham: Ellis and Clara



Achievement Awards:

Lauren & Martha (Holyrood) -  
Swimming Awards

Arlo - Swimming Awards

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

Thank you to everyone who came out last Saturday to support our School Fayre. It was absolutely terrific to see so many families from our community having such a wonderful time together on such a sunny and warm afternoon. It was—indeed—an amazing success!



The fayre featured a maypole dancing by Windsor Class (Year 3) and the choir sang beautifully.

I would like to give enormous thanks to the many people who made our Summer Fayre into what is probably the best ever! Particularly, Donna and her amazing FoBIPS team, who 'worked their socks off' to get everything ready on time: Katarina, Adrianna, Ed, Danson, Madeleine, Amy and Jeunine. Also, school staff contributed enormously by volunteering on the day and helping in the background. Many members of extended family and friends also joined the mammoth effort. Thanks to all of you.

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.

We are a welcoming and nurturing school. Please let us know if you need support from us or have something to share.

*Jacky Sykes*

# Explore. Achieve. Celebrate.

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

# French Café

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**Merci beaucoup,  
Madame Vialette!**



# Athletics Success!

Following a sterling result at Southam College athletics, 17 children from our school did so well that they had the chance to compete at the Central Athletics Warwickshire Championships at Edmondscote Athletics Track in Leamington. We were against all the finalist from schools from the Kenilworth, Warwick and Leamington areas. So it was quite a challenging field.

This was an amazing event, and all the children performed to the best of their abilities in the track and field events. Two of our children exceeded all expectations and managed to gain podium places.

Elijah in year 5 came second in the triple jump and Emma in year 4 came first in her individual sprint. A huge congratulations to these two children and the rest of the participants from Bishops Itchington Primary School. We are so proud of every single one of them. Mr Purewal



# 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](mailto: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.

## summer art weeks exhibition

Venue 102

The Cell  
1 Gaydon Road  
Bishops Itchington  
CV47 2RD

(entry through black gates off Chapel St)



**BETHANY MARTIN**

**EMMA GRIFFITHS**

**RUSSELL HOLT**

**SARAH CAISEY**

### Opening Dates & Times (FREE ENTRY)

Sat 18th/Sun 19th June 11am-4pm  
Friday 24th June 11am-4pm & 7pm-9pm  
Sat 25th/Sun 26th June 11am-4pm  
Friday 1st July 11am-4pm & 7pm-9pm  
Sat 2nd/Sun 3rd July 11am-4pm



## What is ichthyosis?

Ichthyosis, pronounced Ick-thee-o-sis (which comes from the Greek word meaning 'fish') describes a group of conditions in which the skin is dry and scaly. Lots of people have dry skin conditions (such as eczema or psoriasis) but they tend to be patchy and they come and go. By contrast, in ichthyosis the scaling is continuous and usually affects the whole body.

## Can ichthyosis be treated?

There is no cure for ichthyosis at present, but it is possible to manage the symptoms.

The main aim of treatment is to improve the condition of the skin (make it less dry and less scaly, for example) and to relieve discomfort.

We were so proud of Bella in assembly when she came up to talk about her little brother. She discussed how she helps her mum at home to care for her younger brother and what a fantastic job her mummy does!

In school we have launched a competition to raise awareness of the Ichthyosis condition.

# FoBIPS Summer Fayre raises £3,179.86



What a fabulous turn out for the return of our summer fayre!

We had nearly 200 adults through the gate and even more children. The delicious cakes went down very well as did the burritos and hot drinks.

There were a fair few brave children who enjoyed the Wipeout and bounced their cares away on the bouncy castle. Our newest stall The Chocolate Tombola was extremely busy and over 140 children had a go on the lucky dip. The popularity of Beat the Keeper, Hook a Duck and Feed the Clown was evident in the funds they raised.

Our raffle had some fantastic prizes thanks to Mrs Kostiuk for all her hard work.

We are very grateful for the help and support we received on the day, as a team of 8 it's becoming harder to run these types of events and without parents support we wouldn't be able to raise these amounts.

## Praise for Performers

Wow—we were blown away by some amazing performances at the fayre. The Singing Group led by Mrs Russell gave us some really joyful tunes in Raise the flag and Power, Great to see the Singing Group in fine voice and excited to perform.

Mr Hyde and his Year 3 class demonstrated the age old English tradition of Maypole dancing, as part of the PE curriculum the Year 3 pupils have worked hard to perfect their Maypole dancing and they did extremely well in front of a very large audience on the day. We especially enjoyed Mr Hyde's skipping at the end as he led the class out of the arena.

We were delighted to have the pupils of Intodance (classes in Stockton & Kinton) who performed some beautiful ballet routines, jazz routines and a musical theatre number from Caberet join us to share their skills. The PA system was a little bit challenging but the pupils performed and handled things really professionally.

## Sponsors Support

We are always grateful for the support of our sponsors and this year we were delighted to have two new village businesses sponsor us along with previous sponsors.



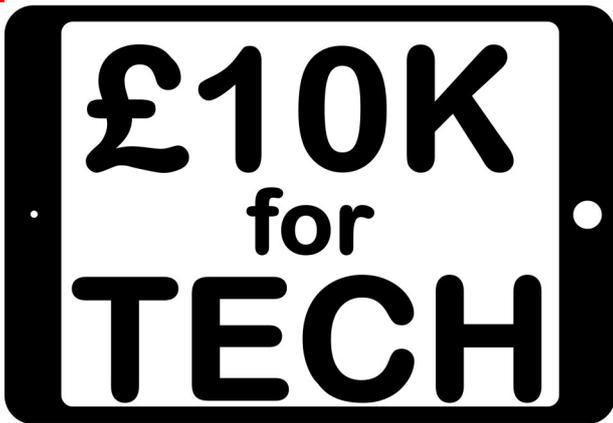
Thank you to Coleman Home Improvements, The Village Store, Brellis Recruitment and MKM Building Supplies. We value your contributions.

## Class Stalls Raise £ 318.10

A huge thank you to all the teaching staff and pupils involved in setting up and running their stalls, it was lovely to see such variety and such creativity. We had plants, golden tickets, lolly lotteries, welly wanging, slime and netball plus adopt a teddy and 100 square.

The effort that goes into these stalls is greatly appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed. We are extremely grateful that the staff give up their free time to support these events.

## £10k for TECH Update



With the fayre raising a staggering £2,861.76 this means that the thermometer on the playground rises from £5,000 to a whopping £7,500!!!! A final few events before the end of term should see us hit £8k.

## Marvellous Men Gift Room

We would like to thank everyone for their support for Friday's gift room, it was a very busy day, we even had to close to drive to the shops and restock!

Lots of children are going home with lovely personally chosen gifts for the marvellous men who support and care for them in their lives.

It was a real joy to help them choose their gifts. Total will be updated in the next newsletter.

## We really need your help going forward

Our team has reduced in numbers to 8 committee members, we all have jobs most are fulltime and some of us are part time, some run business and we all have children but we all have one thing in common—we all want to raise much needed funds for our children's school.

Going forward into next year we really need to fill some vacancies on our committee. Ideally we need a parent of a child in Ladybirds (sometimes we forget to include them so having a Ladybirds presence will remove this), but we also welcome parents of infant children as a lot of us now have children in Year 5 and 6 who will soon be leaving the school.

For us to continue to raise this amazing level of income we really welcome new members, new ideas and new support.

Feel free to speak to our chair Donna Davenport on 07825 837326 or come along to our Annual General Meeting on Monday 26th September 7pm at the School to find out more.

## CALENDAR SUMMER 2022

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

June 2022	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 assessments this week
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	MAT Schools' Performance at Belgrade – Choir to perform
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Reception Class Stay and Play 9.30am and 11.30 sessions
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly at 3pm
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Years 5 and 6 Residential

July 2022	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Years 5 and 6 Residential Celebration Assembly Reports sent out to Parents Teddy-bears' picnic for new-starters in Reception with parents
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Transition Day to Southam College Bishops' School transition day – children go to new classes for the morning
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Transition Day to Southam College all day
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration Assembly
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Play performances 2pm and 6pm.
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Ladybirds Sports morning Parents' Open Evening
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Trophy Assembly FoBIPS School Discos early evening
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day – Afternoon KS1 and KS2 – parents are invited from 1.20pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly. Year 6 Leavers' BBQ
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last Day of Term
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Start of Summer Holidays

September 2022	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Term Begins INSET Day – all staff return – no children in school this day
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	All children return to school New Reception Children 8.55 – 12pm (enter through wooden gate on the playground - pick up from front Reception entrance)
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Children 8.55 – 12pm (pick up from front Reception entrance)
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Children 8.55 – 1pm (come in PE kits today)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Children 8.55 – 1pm
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	New Reception Children 8.55 – 3.20pm from now on - (collect from wooden gate on the playground)