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Believe in ourselves, be the best we can be

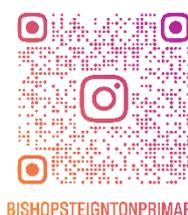
Newsletter- 19.1.24

January 2024

The first 3 weeks of January have flown by since we came back after the holidays! The children have all settled quickly and have been enjoying the new curriculum topic- Worldwide History. This is a short half term so I have put the dates in the table at the end of the newsletter as a reminder! Please note that there is **not** a non-pupil day on the first Monday back after half term as in previous years.

Social Media

Thank you to everyone who has been liking and sharing our Facebook posts. We are really trying to spread the word about our school so that families may want to come and have a look to find out more. We get such positive feedback when we show prospective parents and pupils around - they always comment on the positive, happy atmosphere they see in classes. We have also recently branched out onto Instagram (bishopsteigntonprimary) so please be sure to follow us on this other platform and continue to support our school.



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Wraparound Care

Our Wraparound Provision continues to be a very popular feature of our school with children and parents. We are delighted to share that Tina and Abi will now be running both the Breakfast and Afterschool clubs. Having this consistency of adults, who also work as MTAs during the day, means that they continue to build strong relationships with the children allowing us to create a friendly, positive atmosphere to be enjoyed.

Just a reminder that the school office closes at 15:30 each night. If you need to contact the Afterschool Club team to inform them of any pick up changes or arrangements for pick up then please phone them directly on **07871 708416**.



Y5/6 Football Match

On Thursday 18th, a Bishop team from Y5/6 had a friendly football match against some pupils from Shaldon Primary School. After the events of recent years, games and competitions against local schools have been challenging to arrange and so it was great to join with Shaldon for this event. This was a 7 a side game with a squad of 8 and we agreed that there had to be at least one girl on the pitch at any one time. We

had a FANTASTIC response from our children and could have had 3 teams on the day! The team was selected at random from those interested and they made our school proud! Once again wearing the new kit provided by FOBS, the team played a great game and whilst showing respect for their opponents. After Bishop scored 2 early goals, Shaldon brought the game back to 2:2 at half time. Some amazing saves from George kept Bishop in the game but both teams had chances to win it. The game ended a draw with the onlooking crowd enjoying every moment and cheering for both teams! For some of our children this was a new experience and it was a really great game. Well played Bishop!



Preschool Update

Welcome back to Preschool, we have had a fantastic start to the New Year and have enjoyed meeting all of our new starters. We have been wrapping up warm, going outside in the sunshine, sharing stories together and making new friends.

Christie Tribble- Preschool Supervisor



Pupil Voice

For the last two weeks we have been looking at **Tolerance** which is one of the British Values we consider as part of the National Curriculum. We discussed how being tolerant, or behaviour with tolerance, means to accept other people's differences. The

children really embraced the idea of celebrating differences and then considered why living in a world with tolerance was important.

'I think living in a world with tolerance is good because it means that people can share their different opinions and you may not always like other people's ideas but it means people still respect them.' Fern- Y5

'A world where we all get along and play together is a nice place.' Rae- Explorers

'I think it is important to live in a world with tolerance because we need to treat people how you would want to be treated.' Sophie M- Y5

'When someone is different, you have to respect that difference.' Seth- Y3

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



**Dave Killoran
(Headteacher)**

FUTURE DATES

Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet day 2024
Monday 12th Feb- Friday 16th Feb	Spring Half Term
Monday 19th February	All children back in school- Primary and Preschool
Thursday 28th March 2024	Last Day of Spring Term
Monday 15th April	First Day of Summer Term