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Newsletter- 26.5.23

OFSTED

I just wanted to say another thank you for all of your support with our OFSTED inspection last week. The outcome is confidential until the report is officially published and this will be around the start of the summer holidays. We will share this with you as soon as it is available on the OFSTED website. The inspector said he very much enjoyed speaking to pupils, parents and staff during his time at our school.

School Dinners

The governors of the school met last week and reviewed the price of our school dinners. It was noted that these had not changed in five years and it was felt that, in light of the significant rise in food, energy and staffing costs, that we needed to increase the price of dinners in the primary school and preschool. **From September 2023, the price of a school meal will be £2.75 and a meal in preschool will be £1.65.** We very much recognise that this is a challenging time for all families and hope you understand our reasoning behind these changes.



Donation from Village Website

We have received a donation of £500 from the village website which also contributed to the cost of the library furniture. We always appreciate the support given by our local community are very grateful for such donations which help us improve our learning environment.

Parent Carer Forum Devon survey for families of pupils with SEND

Parent Carer Forum Devon (PCFD) have launched a short survey with questions directly linking to the Key Performance Indicators in the SEND Improvement Plan. This is the baseline survey and then two monitoring surveys will be completed in September 2023 and in January 2024. This will ensure that family experience is central to tracking progress and highlighting where there are problems.

Parent Carer Forum Devon logo, showing two green speech bubbles and the words "connect, empower, influence"

Completing this survey will help give a clear picture of what life is like for SEND families in Devon.

The survey will close on Sunday 28 May.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PCMayBaseline>

FOBS

Thank you for your continued support for the FOBS monthly cake sales and a big thank you to everyone who supported the first FOBS Family Bingo event last Friday. It was a fun evening and we hope you enjoyed it. Together you raised £255.25 which is fantastic! Following on from the success of the Bingo evening, we hope to hold another in the near future.



Look out for some Donation Days over the next half term ahead of the FOBS Summer Fair on Friday 30th June!

Baby Jeffery

Mr Jeffery was happy for us to share that he and his wife Helen are now the very proud parents of a baby girl. Evelyn Margaret Jeffery was born on Wednesday 17th May. I am sure you will join the whole staff and I in sending Mr Jeffery's family our best wishes and congratulations at this very special time.

Preschool Update

With the amazing weather this week, the preschool children have been enjoying lots of outdoor activities. They have also been fantastic at caring for our garden and are excited to see the changes that are happening to our flower and fruit plants.

Christie Tribble- Preschool Supervisor



Pupil Voice

In our assembly a few weeks ago, we took some time to think about the King's Coronation. At Bishop, we encourage our children to have their own thoughts and feelings about things that impact on them and very much value and celebrate what they say. This was another great example that I was very keen to share with you!

***'I think it is quite important to celebrate a new monarch but we don't have to go crazy about it.'* Olive- Y3**

***Is this Coronation important? 'Yes, because the King and Queen will put their crowns on for the first time.'* Macauley- Explorers**

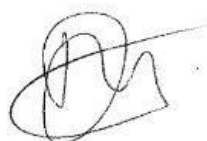
***'I have found out that the St Edward crown weighs the equivalent of 5 cans of soup and there are 3 special items the King/Queen has to hold during their coronation. The coronation is an important event for our country because this tradition doesn't happen that often and it signifies a new generation of our King or Queen who is someone people can look up to.'* Ronnie- Y5**

***'I don't think it is that important because he is already a king, it's just a celebration that he is getting a crown.'* Elodie- Y2**

***'The Coronation is a very rare and special event. It's when a king or Queen gets crowned and then they lead the country.'* Ted- Y1**

We hope you all have a wonderful half term break. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



**Dave Killoran
(Headteacher)**

FUTURE DATES FOR THE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mon 29th May- Fri 2nd June	Half Term
Monday 5th June	All pupils return to school for Summer 2
Wednesday 21st June	9:00-11:00-Sports Day- EXPLORERS/ ADVENTURERS/ INVESTIGATORS
Friday 23rd June	13:00-15:00-Sports Day- DISCOVERERS/ VOYAGERS/ PIONEERS/ INVENTORS
Friday 30th June	FOBS Summer Fair
Friday 21st July	Last Day of Summer Term