

Bishop Road Primary School

Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS



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Dear Parents / Carers,

Update Letter

It seems hard to believe that we have reached the last term of the academic year. The start to this term has been hugely busy having launched straight into our whole school sports week, which has been a pleasure with such great weather. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and there were some excellent displays of sportsmanship as well as all round spirited participation. Our assembly topic of 'humble in victory and gracious in defeat' certainly helped some classes manage the trials and triumphs of the day! Thank you to everyone who attended the PTFA Summer Fair. A further thanks to all those who volunteered in the planning and preparation stages, as well as those who gave of their time on the day manning a stall, setting up or clearing away. These events would not be possible without the community spirit of so many. If you haven't yet got involved in an event since joining the school, these big events are a great way to make a contribution and feel connected to the school community.

The Year 4 performances on Thursday this week were real delight, well done indeed. Meanwhile, Year 6 had a day of adventure during their trip to Cattle Country. Earlier in the week, Year 1 & 2 experienced a fire engine up close. Every child learnt about fire safety in the home, were given a tour of the inside and outside of the vehicle and had a turn using the firehose. We are excited about the planned visit from the Police next week, when Reception will learn all about the important work they do each day.

National Schools Swimming Finals

Our Year 6 girls' relay team competed at the prestigious National Finals of the English Schools' Swimming Association Primary Team Championships. Out of the 24 finalists, which included regional qualifiers from independent and state schools, we are proud that Bishop Road finished 15th in the medley relay and 17th in the freestyle relay. The wider team followed this up in the Bristol Schools' Swimming Association Championships where we collected an impressive total of 10 medals across 13 events. We finished third overall in an exciting and closely contested competition. Well done to all who took part!



Quad Athletics Inter-School tournament

Bishop Road entered 2 teams into the Quad Athletics Inter-School tournament, each comprising 10 children (5 girls/5 boys) from Years 4 and 6, to wave the flag for the school. Both teams were pitted against 5 other schools. This unique competition comprises of the Long Jump, the Sprint, Middle Distance Race (Yr 4-400 meters / Yr 6-600 meters) and the "Howler" throw! Points won from each event were added, and both teams won 2nd place! Congratulations! We hope that our Year 6 team may be able to participate in the County finals.

General Reminders

- Please ensure you visit or call the school office if you need to update any information we presently hold, regarding contact details, care plans, medication, epi-pens, dietary etc. We ask parents/carers to ensure all inhalers, epi-pens and medication held in school are within date.
- When your child enters Year 3, you will start to pay for school meals. For those receiving school dinners, it is school policy that all accounts are managed from a credit position. Meals should be purchased in blocks of 10 (minimum payment of £25.00). It is the parent's responsibility to check your child's credit position on the account and top-up accordingly. All Year 6 accounts will be reviewed at the end of this term. Where possible we will move any credit to a younger sibling's account. When this is not possible, we will raise cheques for the balance and send these to you in September 2023.
- Lost property is stored under the shelter, between the Grant and Boat playgrounds. You are free to check these boxes every day at drop off and pick-up. All named items are returned where possible, to the relevant pupil. We urge you to name every item that comes into school from water bottles to shoes.
- Please support us by making every effort to ensure your children has everything they need when they arrive at school each day. Items delivered late to the office are increasing and this is an unnecessary use of staff time reuniting items with children across the school.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Joe Emissah
Deputy Head

