

Bishop Road Primary School

Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS



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Friday 21st July 2023

Head Teacher Letter No.7/22-23

Dear Parents and Carers,

The year is ending and we have many happy memories of all the events and learning opportunities. Our year six are leaving us and heading for the next stage of their education. We are proud of their achievements and the good character they have developed.

Our thanks go to all our families who support and encourage the school in so many ways. The PTFA have staged such wonderful community events this year for the benefit of us all. The new feature in the Grant playground, which they sponsored, will be a really splendid addition.

The school has been back up to speed after all the slow down and recovery of the pandemic. We closed with excellent performances and enthusiastic audiences as children worked together and gained confidence and skills. Well done everyone!

The year six SATs results have been released and we are very pleased with them. The children had missed a considerable period of schooling and there was concern about the difficulty of the reading test. However, they worked hard with encouragement from dedicated teachers and have succeeded very well indeed.

Key Stage 2 SATs results 2023		Reading	Spelling, grammar & punctuation	Maths	Writing	Combined reading, writing and maths
Expected standard %	<i>BRPS</i>	87%	90%	94%	87%	84%
	<i>National Average</i>	73%	72%	73%	71%	59%
Greater depth %	<i>BRPS</i>	60%	53%	43%	33%	25%
	<i>National Average</i>	*	*	*	*	*

*awaiting publication



We have had a marvellous time completing this year's Ornithology project which produced great opportunities and lovely work. Next year's project is to be Architecture and exciting plans are well under way. One of next term's Inset days will focus on this subject and staff aim to increase their own knowledge and skills on this topic.

Staff News

Mrs Hatcher (formerly Miss Tatum) is back from maternity leave and will be taking up the role of teacher librarian. She has many plans to enhance children's book choices and to encourage reading for pleasure. The library is such a central feature of our school and children really enjoy their visits. Mr Grattan is leaving us to take up a pastoral role in a different setting. We are sure he will enjoy this new opportunity and wish him all the best.

Charities

Thank you for your generous donations, we are pleased to send the following from the school –
Unicef £1,047.96

Bristol North West Foodbank £1,047.95

May I thank you all for your generosity of kindness towards the staff who have given so much of their time and efforts to help children learn and enjoy school. Have a happy time together in the coming weeks. We will all be back on Friday 1st September.

Yours sincerely,



Gillian Powe
Head Teacher



IMPORTANT HOLIDAY AND INSET DATES FOR 2023/2024

Friday 1 st September	Return to School
Thursday 7 th September	INSET Day – School Closed
Friday 8 th September	INSET Day – School Closed
Monday 11 th September	Return to School
Friday 20 th October	Last day of term
Monday 30 th October	INSET Day – School Closed
Tuesday 31 st October	Return to School
Friday 15 th December	Last day of term
Tuesday 2 nd January 2024	INSET Day – School Closed (NW24)
Wednesday 3 rd January	Return to School
Friday 9 th February	Last day of term
Monday 19 th February	Return to School
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term
Monday 15 th April	Return to School
Monday 6 th May	May Day – School closed
Tuesday 7 th May	Return to School
Friday 24 th May	Last day of term
Monday 3 rd June	INSET Day – School Closed
Tuesday 4 th June	Return to School
Tuesday 23 rd July	Last day of term

