

## Our School Blog...

We were really disappointed that this week's football and netball fixtures were postponed; I think that's the third time it has happened to us this season so we hope that we have some news of the re-arranged fixtures soon. We were, however, able to take part in a golf competition hosted by Poltair School, which you might have already heard - we won!





Y5 have started Ukulele lessons this week and they hope to perform some tunes in the hall to parents before the end of the ten-week programme. Their teacher has already been able to get them strumming some chords and soon they will be able to take their instruments home to practice between lessons.

Our school Members of Parliament have met with the regional manager of the school's caterers (Chartwells) this week. They have negotiated some new theme lunches and have made their opinions known on the current menu and the proposed summer term menu. Mrs HV was really impressed at how they politely, but firmly, put their points across on behalf of the classmates that they represent.

On Sunday it is 'World Religion Day' and we will spend some time in school next week celebrating the many similarities between different faiths. This day usually occurs on the third Sunday of January, since its introduction in the 1950s. Its purpose is to act as a reminder of the importance of harmony and understanding between religions and faith systems.

We are seeing an increasing number of meals not being booked for children.

Please ensure that you order in the usual way, via ParentPay, by 9am to enable our kitchen to cater for our daily requirements. If you haven't ordered by 9am, you will need to provide a packed lunch.

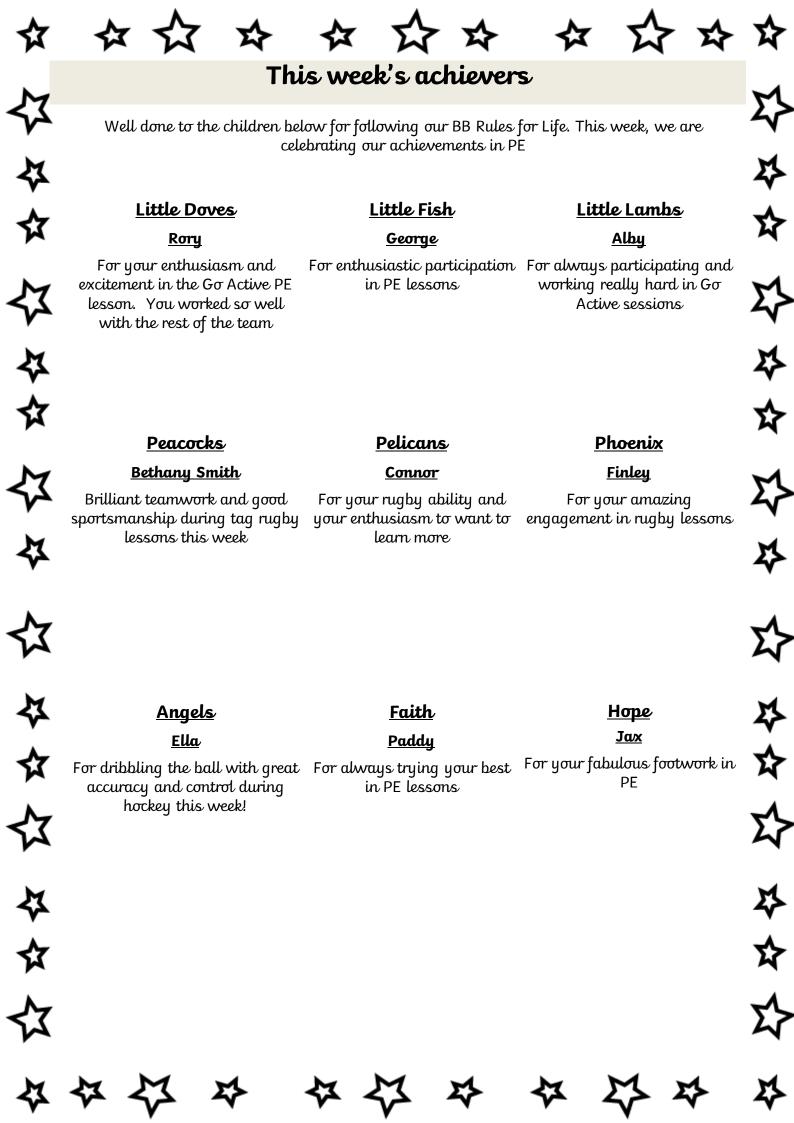
For your convenience, you can order for the whole of half term ahead!

Enjoy your weekend!

Mr Gynn

Our school vision is at the heart of all we do at Bishop Bronescombe. We feel it is important to share the achievements of children who have worked hard to share their gifts and talents.





## This week's achievers...



This week, we learnt about and celebrated our school vision of trust

#### Little Doves

#### Jaxon

For having trust in your friends whilst sharing outside at lunchtime

## <u>Little Fish</u> Hannah

# We can always trust you to follow the schools rules and work hard

## <u>Little Lambs</u>

#### Alex

We are always able to trust you to do the right thing and be a kind friend

#### **Peacocks**

### Sophie D

You have shown that you can be trusted to make good choices and be responsible

#### Pelicans

#### <u>Beau</u>

We can always trust you to tell the truth and you are willing to help!

#### **Phoenix**

#### <u>Rosie</u>

For starting to trust in yourself and achieving an amazing score in your Star reading quiz

## Angels

### Molly-Mae

For beginning to trust yourself and trust how brilliant you are. It's great to see you contributing so much more in class discussions!

## <u>Faith</u>

#### Amelia

For consistently showing great manners and for always following the rules for life

## <u>Hope</u>

#### Jasmine

For always being a trustworthy member of the class and helping to keep our classroom and lunch hall clean and tidy

Lord Jesus,

Thank you for your promises to us. Thank you that the bible reminds us that you are trustworthy and that we can trust in you. Help us to look to you when we feel lost, frustrated and are struggling.

Amen

## Reading Buddies



We are delighted to reintroduce our reading buddies on a Friday afternoon. It is so wonderful seeing the older and younger children sharing their love of reading with one another.











## Dates for your diary

Monday 30th January - YR vision screening

Friday 10th February - KS1 Pendennis Castle trip

Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day

Monday 8th May 2023 - Additional Bank Holiday for the King's Coronation (school closed)

## Other notices



7th ST AUSTELL RAINBOWS meet on Friday's at 5.30pm. Girlguide HQ, Pottair School. They now have places available.



We're consulting ....

Please visit our website for details of our proposed admissions arrangements 2024-25

https://www.rainbowacademy.org.uk/admissions-arrangementsconsultation-202425/

> You can submit your comments by emailing info@rainbowacademy.org.uk

or by writing to the Governance Lead at First Floor Offices, Unit 2, Marlin House, Agar Way, Pool Industrial Estate, Redruth, Cornwall, TR15 3SF.

Comments are invited by 26 January 2023.

Thank you.

#### We're recruiting!



We have a fantastic opportunity for a teaching assistant to join our BB family on a temporary basis, for the remainder of the academic year.

If you feel that you would like to apply for this post or know anybody that may be interested, please click on the link below where you will be able to find out more about the job role.

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## Online safety

Online Safety & Gaming



Gaming refers to playing electronic games, whether through consoles, computers, tablets, smartphones or other devices. Gaming remains one of the most popular forms of entertainment, attracting a wide range of age groups from all across the world. Gaming is always looking to develop, often improving on graphical features, accessibility and user engagement as years go by.



Unlike many other forms of media, gaming brings a sense of challenge to the player.

Usually there is a degree of skill involved that players need to develop in order to progress. Depending on the type of game, it can also offer players a platform where they can be imaginative and explore their own creativity.

Some games have rich storylines and characters that are engaging and memorable. Many players also use it as an opportunity to compete and socialise with other users whether it be in person or online. More often than not though, people

## Considerations for Gaming

game, because it is fun!

- Have awareness of appropriate age restrictions
- Parental awareness around purchasing
- Active discussions around socialising safely
- 4 Reporting harmful or offensive content online

## **Benefits of Gaming**

- Can develop critical and creative skills
- 2 Can bring educational benefit and awareness
- Is available to most audiences and family members
- 1 Is an easy and accessible way to socialise with others

### **Socialising Online**

A staple of gaming is the community that surrounds it. Groups and audiences can gather around a specific game, character or theme to build specific fan bases that can interact with each other. Young people may like to socialise online because:

- 1 It gives them a platform to be with friends outside of school
- 2 There is usually a competitive element at play, which can feel rewarding
- It can build confidence and social skills which may not be attainable physically
- 4 It gives opportunity to young people who have difficulty socialising with friends and others



## Reporting and Blocking

Gaming communities can range from supportive and educational, to toxic and harmful. In some instances, it can even lead towards more radical content being promoted. When faced with something or someone being harmful online, make sure young people know how to:

- Report the player or piece of content
- 2 Mute or block the player
- Manage their privacy settings or communication options
- 4 Speak with a trusted adult for support



To find out more about Gaming visit the SWGfL hub: swgfl.org.uk/topics/gaming/

## **Further Support**

Professionals Online Safety Helpline: saferinternet.org.uk/professionals-online-safety-helpline
Harmful Sexual Behaviour Support Service: swgfl.org.uk/harmful-sexual-behaviour-support-service/

Report Harmful Content: reportharmfulcontent.com











