

Newsletter

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Our school blog

There have been a number of education research reports released in the last few weeks and some have made national headlines. One of these reports has highlighted the reduction of attendance rates across the country particularly in secondary schools since the Covid pandemic. There have also been news stories about the increase in exclusions due to behaviour issues post pandemic and as always, the challenges of funding in schools and the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on children and families.

At BB we are not immune from this however, with support from the trust, our governors and the wider school community we are in a healthier place than many other schools and colleges. Much of our success in navigating this is down to the support and cooperation from parents and this is even more apparent during difficult times. Thank you for this; it is much appreciated.

There will be no newsletter next week as the school is closed for an Inset day on Friday 24th November. Have a great weekend and we hope that your children get a chance to share their gifts and talents with you.

Mr Gynn

Sensory Christmas.....Hohoho!

Christmas is an exciting time of year, but not for all, for some it's more of a hoho no!

Join the school SEN Team and Katie Frampton from the Autism Spectrum Team on Friday 1st December (2-3pm), to explore the sensory charms and challenges of the festive season.

All welcome although those with children either accepted on the autism pathway, have a diagnosis or those who find Christmas over stimulating and challenging are encouraged to attend.

Please contact Mrs. Moseley for more information.

Reminder for YR and Y6 parents/carers

The National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) measures the height and weight of children in Reception class (aged 4 to 5) and year 6 (aged 10 to 11), to assess overweight and obesity levels in children within primary schools.

This year the team will be visiting on Thursday 23rd November. **The deadline to opt out is midday on Wednesday 22nd November.**

YR and Y6 children will take part in the screening UNLESS YOU OPT OUT.

Further information and opt out instructions can be found here:

YR

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-reception-year/>

Y6

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-year-6/>

What a day!

The children have had a day filled with laughter, smiles and fun....all in aid of such a worthy cause.

Thank you all so much for your contributions, each and every penny or pound is appreciated.



There's still time to donate! <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12516>

This week's achievers

Well done to the children below for following our BB Rules for Life. This week, we are celebrating our achievements in PSHCE

Little Doves

Walter

For being able to talk about what makes a good friend

Little Fish

Elliott

For your fantastic contributions during 'Anti-bullying Week' session

Little Lambs

Lily

For confidently talking about how to be a good friend and how to look after each other

Peacocks

Darcie

For showing an excellent understanding of healthy eating

Pelicans

Lowena

For being a caring and considerate class member who is a great friend to all

Phoenix

Aubrey

For showing such a mature attitude and supporting a friend when had lost their stuff in the cloakroom

Angels

Max M

For being able to recognise emotions in others and show true care in working hard to get a smile back on the face of your friend!

Faith

Helena

For contributing brilliantly in our anti-bullying lesson

Hope

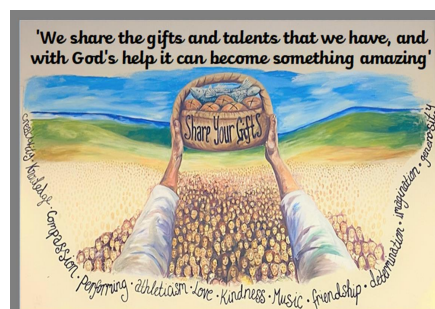
Jamie

For fantastic collaborative work when investigating the sugar content of different drinks



This week we celebrate Elizabeth who shared her gift and talent of art and created the Pudsey the children filled with coppers. Thank you for helping us raise money for Children In Need, we're so proud of you.

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 compassion

Little Doves

Jayden

For helping your friends when they hurt themselves on the playground

Little Fish

Elowen

For looking out for other members of the class this week

Little Lambs

AJ

For always being kind and compassionate to your peers

Peacocks

Joe

You have a huge heart. Today you were so kind to Thad

Pelicans

Max

For always showing care and concern for others

Phoenix

Demelza

For showing compassion to a friend when they fell over in the playground last Friday

Angels

Eleanor

For showing genuine care for everyone and everything, whether in the classroom or outside

Faith

Ashton

For always treating others with respect and empathy

Hope

Elsie

For always showing kindness and consideration when it comes to the feelings of your friends

Dear God,
Thank you for teaching us how to be compassionate.
Help us to understand how others are feeling, especially when times are tough.
Amen

Dates for your diary

Thurs 23rd Nov - NCMP YR/Y6 height and weight screenings

Advance warning Mon 20th Nov - Y3/4 Multi Skills

Advance warning Tues 21st Nov - BB Vs Bugle (home cup game)

Fri 24th Nov - Inset day (school closed)

Advance warning Tues 28th Nov - BB Vs Pondhu

Fri 1st Dec - Parent café (school hall)

Advance warning Fri 1st Dec - Primary 5-a-side Cup (Potkyth)

Advance warning Mon 4th Dec - Y1/2 Christmas Festival

Wed 6th Dec - BBabies & Rainbows Nativity performance (10am, school hall)

Thurs 7th Dec - BB Parent Support coffee morning/Family Worker drop in session (8.45-10am)

Advance warning Fri 8th Dec - Y5/6 Cross Country

Advance warning Mon 11th Dec - Y3/4 Christmas Festival

Advance warning Tues 12th Dec - KS1 Nativities (10am/2.30pm)

Wed 13th Dec - Christmas lunch

Wed 13th Dec - 2.30pm Christmas Carol concert (gates open @ 2pm for hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies)

Thurs 14th Dec - Back up date for Christmas Carol concert

Advance warning Fri 15th Dec - Rocksteady Christmas concert (2.30pm, school hall)

Advance warning Fri 15th Dec - BB Christmas Bingo (5-8pm, school hall)

Advance warning Mon 18th Dec - Secret Santa!

Mon 18th Dec - Christingle

Tues 19th Dec - BBs Got Talent (am) / Class Christmas parties (pm)

Wed 20th Dec to Wed 3rd Jan 24 - Christmas holidays

Mon 12th Feb 24 to Fri 16th Feb 24 - Half term

Fri 29th Mar 24 and Mon 1st Apr 24 - Bank holidays (school closed)

Tues 2nd Apr 24 to Fri 12th Apr - Easter holidays

Mon 6th May 24 - Bank holiday (school closed)

Mon 20th May to Wed 22nd May 24 - Y5/6 residential (London)

Mon 27th May 24 to Fri 31st May 24 - Half term


Wed 5th Jun 24 to Fri 7th Jun 24 - Y4 residential (Kemow Sports, Hendra)

Mon 17th Jun 24 to Wed 19th Jun 24 - Y3 residential (Porthpean)

Mon 22nd Jul 24, Tues 23rd Jul 24, Wed 24th Jul 24 - Inset days (school closed)

Thurs 25th Jul 24 to Fri 30th Aug 24 - Summer holidays


Other notices






Get into Teaching Information Evening
Tuesday 21st November

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Thinking about a career in teaching but not sure where to start? Join us for an information evening on Tuesday 21st November, from 5.30pm.




Are you interested in becoming a Teacher?




Join us at Heartlands on Tuesday 12th December, 4.30-6.30pm, for an Initial Teacher Training information session.

For more information and to sign up, scan the QR code.

•Primary 3-7 Years •Primary 5-11 Years
• Art & Design • Biology • Chemistry • Computing • Design Technology • English
• Geography • History • Maths • Modern Languages • Music • PE • Physics • RE

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The Mental Health Support Team invites you to book your place in...

SPACE - Supporting Parents and Children Emotionally

SPACE is a new free programme for any parent who wants to better understand and support their children's emotions, as well as their own. Each session will last for 2 hours. The sessions will run at St Austell Family Hub, Woodland Road, St Austell, PL25 4RA.

This 5-session programme will cover:

- Managing different emotions
- Healthy coping strategies for dealing with stress
- Understanding what is meant by a Trauma Informed approach
- Understanding toxic stress and the flight/fight response
- Practical approaches to support children to regulate their emotions
- Understanding behaviour
- Building resilience in parents and children
- Adopting appropriate expectations of children
- Enhancing the parents' ability to provide nurturing care


SPACE will run as a small supportive group of 6 – 16 participants and will be facilitated by Education Mental Health Practitioners Bev, Jenine and Jane.

Due to group size restrictions, places will be on a first come, first served basis. A waitlist will be created any additional sign ups.

Where: St Austell Family Hub	
Session 1	2 nd November 09:15-11:15
Session 2	9 th November 09:15-11:15
Session 3	16 th November 09:15-11:15
Session 4	30 th November 09:15-11:15
Session 5	7 th December 09:15-11:15

Commitment to all 5 sessions of the programme is expected.

To request a place please complete the online form:
<https://forms.office.com/e/dSArkS1vAf>



Booking deadline: Monday 30th October






Registered Charity No: 1039252

St Austell Festival of Music and Speech 2023
at St John's Methodist Church PL25 5AE

Spoken Word
Thursday 23rd November to Saturday 25th November

Thursday 23rd 11.00 am: Opening by the Mayor and Year 4 Set Poems
2.00 pm: Year 3 & 5 Set Poems
6.30pm: Monologues & Secondary Poems

Friday 24th 9.00 am: Primary Duologues, Poems about Cornwall or by Cornish poets
Choral Speaking & Secondary Drama
1.30 pm: Year 6 Set Poems and Primary Own Choice Poems
No Friday evening session

Saturday 25th 9.00 am: Foundation Set Poems & Year 2 Set Poems
1.30 pm: Year 1 Set Poems

*Supported by
St Austell Town Council
& Cornwall Council*

Music
Monday 27th November to Saturday 2nd December

Monday 27th 9.30 am: String Workshop (for invited beginners only)

Tuesday 28th 2.00pm: Opening, Primary Recorders & Woodwind
No Tuesday evening session

Wednesday 29th 9.30 am: Primary school Choirs & Ukulele Band
No Wednesday afternoon session
6.00 pm: Secondary & Open Woodwind, Grade 5& above Piano

Thursday 30th 10.00 am: String solos
2.00 pm: String Ensembles
7.00 pm: Barbershop Quartets & Chorus, adult solo and choirs

Friday 1st 10.00 am: Secondary Choir, Rock Group & Instrumental Ensemble
2.00 pm: Primary Vocal Solos
6.15 pm: Brass Solos, Duets & Ensembles

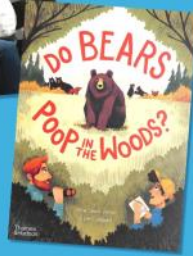
Saturday 2nd 9.30 am: Piano Solos Pre Grade 1/Grade 3&4, Vocal Solos Secndry/Open

Saturday 2nd December at 6.00 pm GALA CONCERT

Entry to sessions £3.00 per day (Students free) & Programmes £2.50

Non-Fiction November

with Dr Huw Lewis-Jones!



Author and explorer
Dr Huw Lewis-Jones
will be with us for
a fun-filled, FREE
after school
adventure with
his book
“Do Bears Poop
in the Woods?”
Let’s find out!

St Austell Library ☒
Thurs 30th Nov, 4pm
For ages 5+

This event is **FREE**, but places **MUST** be booked in advance
Please book in person at the Library Help Desk, email
staustell.library@liscornwall.org.uk, or call 0300 1234 111
Facebook: [staustelllibrary](https://www.facebook.com/staustelllibrary) Instagram: [staustell.library](https://www.instagram.com/staustell.library)