# **BISHOP SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**NEWSLETTER 11** 

12<sup>th</sup> March 2022



### March

- 14 Cygnets Trip to Folly Farm (letter sent)
- 15 Y5/6 Football Matches at Chew Valley School (boys and girls in teams, letter sent 11/3/22)
- **15** Parent/Teacher Consultations **3.30-6pm** (all classes apart from Swans)
- 16 Parent/Teacher Consultations 3.30-7pm (all classes)
- 17 Parent Teacher Consultations 3.30-6pm (Swans only)
- 18 Red Nose/Comic Relief Day (see below)
- 21 Herons Trip to Folly Farm (letter sent)
- 21 Football match v. Winford (letter to follow)
- 25 Swans Cake Sale (PTA)
- 29 Ducklings Parents Maths session 2.30pm
- **30** Ducklings Trip to Folly Farm (letter sent)
- 30 Kingfishers Trip to Holbourne Museum (letter to follow)

### April

- 05 Ducklings Parents Stay and Play 2.15pm
- 06 Netball Tournament KS2 at Chew Valley (letter to follow)
- 08 End of term 4
- 25 Start of term 5
- Don't forget all the dates are on the website.

### School News

Update from Mr Cook

### World book day

We had an amazing array of costumes for World book day this year, and thank you very much for the £100 raised that we will use to buy additional fiction books for the classes.

If you've not had a chance to check out the '200 reads before you are 11' leaflet' a reminder that you can find it on the website here:



https://www.bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk/page/?title=Book+Club&pid=127

### Football

We've had a few games recently – with 'mixed results'! However, the players have worked well together and are showing signs of improving – as well as great teamwork, supporting each other and not letting their heads drop when a goal has been conceded. This week's fixtures saw a narrow defeat to Chew Stoke by 1-0 (after extra time) and a 2-0 loss to Stanton Drew. Next week is the Chelwood Rotary Club fixtures at Chew Valley School (Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March) with two separate BS teams competing – a girls' team and a boys' team.

Bishop Sutton defence working hard...

Another fine save by the goalkeeper to 'keep us in the game'...



### Red Nose/Comic Relief Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March

Next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose Day – children may come to school in nonuniform for the day, preferably with some red items! (Y3 children in Wrens will need to make sure their clothing is suitable for the afternoon tennis lesson or bring in a PE kit).

### **Conflict in Ukraine**

I have talked to children in assembly about the on-going conflict in Ukraine. There are some helpful resources for parents and families on the B&NES Hub here: https://thehub.bathnes.gov.uk/Page/24318

### Parent/Teacher Consultations in Term 4 - reminder

Many parents have signed up for meetings next week – the sign-up sheets are in the school reception. If you haven't already done so, please come in and write your child's name in a convenient slot. If you are unable to come in, please ask someone to sign up on your behalf or telephone or email the school office and we will make an appointment for you.

Meetings will be held face to face – please come to the school hall and the teacher will come to meet you at the appointment time. There will be a space in the school hall with colouring for children to wait while parents are meeting with teachers. (For Swans meetings on Thursday only, please come to the white door by the class cloakroom and wait there for your appointment).

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm to 6pm – All classes (apart from Swans class)

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm to 7pm – All classes

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 3.30pm to 6pm – Swans class only

### COVID-19

The Department for Education have asked schools to share the information below with families. Note in the final sentence about extending vaccinations to 5-11 year olds later in the year...

### Information for parents and carers on COVID-19 vaccination for at risk 5 to 11 year olds

Please share the following information with parents and carers of at risk 5 to 11 year olds.

Children aged 5 to 11 years who are in a clinical risk group or who live with someone who is immunosuppressed can get the COVID-19 vaccine, in line with advice set out by the <u>Joint Committee</u> on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI). Eligible children include those with diabetes, immunosuppression, learning disabilities, and other conditions as outlined by the <u>UK Health Security</u> <u>Agency (UKHSA) in the Green Book</u>. Vaccinations help to increase protection against COVID-19, which is particularly important for those with underlying health conditions. Further information is available in the <u>guide for parents of children aged 5 to 11 years</u> published by UKHSA. We have published some <u>frequently asked questions</u> on the vaccination programme including information on eligibility, accessibility and advice for parents of children at high risk from COVID-19. Following <u>advice</u> from the JCVI, healthy 5 to 11 year old children will also be offered two 10 microgram doses of the COVID-19 vaccine. The NHS will prepare to extend this non-urgent offer to all children during April.

# Certificates

Well done to the following children who received certificates (for hard work or positive attitude or great behaviour or good manners etc) in last week's celebration assembly:



Ducklings	Cygnets	Herons	Wrens
Sophia & Noah	Sammy, Arlo & Olivia S	Kian, Charlotte and	Elliott, Tilly and 'Whole
		Lennie	Class'!
Swans	Swallows	Kingfishers	Headteacher Awards
Leo, Noah & Jessica	Sophia, Emie & George	Teddy & Millie	Felix T & Florence C

Note: the records are made by Y6 children so apologies if there are any omissions/mistakes

### Message from Gary Lewis below

The CEO of the Lighthouse Schools Partnership has written a 'News from across the Trust' article for parents. As a Federation we joined the LSP Trust on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019; the Trust is an education charity that is currently composed of 24 Primary and Secondary schools.

### News from across the Trust



It is still too early to use a term like 'post-pandemic', but we are now at a point when we can begin to take stock of the changes that the last two years have caused in our schools and Trust. Despite all the disruption, worry and difficulties, some of those changes are for the better and leave us in a stronger place to work together and deliver an excellent education to our pupils. It is a reflection on the professionalism and hard work of my colleagues in our 24 (soon to be 25) schools that we have coped so very well in this difficult time.

The most obvious area that we have developed has been our digital connectivity. All the Lighthouse schools now collaborate internally and between each other on Teams platforms. You may have seen some evidence of this in 'parents evenings'

during the pandemic. Many of our staff and governors meetings have also taken place on Teams and in recent weeks we have set up a new domain called LSP Learning so that our pupils and staff will be able to collaborate outside their own school systems. This is likely to have all sorts of future benefits when it comes to running inter-school learning and staff straining. It also gives us greater resilience in the event of a future lockdown – Heaven forbid!

Another area that we had already been working on behind the scenes, but that COVID has speeded up has been our collaboration on curriculum (our resources and plans for what we teach in each subject). This is most advanced in primary phase and the majority of our staff are now able to draw on a rich and well-developed materials to inform their planning and teaching. We hope that this is delivering benefit everywhere and will be a huge advantage in smaller schools and for less experienced staff.

Many of our schools have benefitted too from the investment in school buildings that our Trust has been able to deliver. This has included financial investment (schools such as Blagdon Primary, Backwell Secondary, Chew Valley School and Hannah More and Grove have seen a lot of activity on site) and also the expertise that our Hub Estates Leads bring. Despite the pandemic, we have delivered a very large number of projects and have many more in the pipeline.

One of these incoming projects is our Carbon Reduction Plan. We were successful in a bid for £1.2M from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme and are now starting a programme that will support us in delivering our goal of Carbon Neutrality by 2035. Our pupils have pushed us hard on this and we held an environmental themed Business Breakfast at Backwell School last November to get things moving.

Our strategic plan has lots of other areas that we have targeted to deliver value and benefit to schools. One key area is in co-ordinating and developing our expertise in Special Educational Needs. We have a new Deputy Director of Education joining us at Easter who will focus on this brief.

Lastly, our Annual General Meeting will be at Backwell Secondary School on Tuesday 17th May 2022, 6.00-8.00pm. The Regional Schools Commissioner, Hannah Woodhouse, will be our speaker and Adele Haysom, our Chair of Trustees, and I will also be reporting to parents, colleagues and governors on the activities and progress of the Trust this year. Perhaps I will see you there.

With best wishes, Gary Lewis



Chief Executive

#### PTA PTA LATEST NEWS

We really look forward to welcoming you and your children to one of our events soon – and remember, we ALWAYS need extra helping hands on our PTA – whether a committee role, a specialist skill or just an hour or so helping to make an event safe and fun on the day – so please do let us know if you can join our band of parent volunteers! Just email Tracey at pta@bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk for more details.

Thank you for your continuing support from BS PTA

## **Other Events**



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Term Dates for the Academic Year	2021-22	
Term 3	Wednesday 5/1/2022 – Friday 18/02/2022	
Half Term Holiday	Monday 21/2/2022 – Friday 25/2/2022	
Term 4	Monday 28/2/2022 – Friday 8/4/2022	
Easter Holiday	Monday 11/4/2022 – Friday 22/04/2022	
Term 5	Monday 25/4/2022 – Thursday 26/5/2022	
Inset Day	Friday 27/5/2022	
Half Term Holiday	Monday 30/5/2022 – Friday 3/6/2022	
Term 6	Monday 6/6/2022 – Thursday 21/7/2022	

Term Dates for the Academic Year	2022-23
Inset Days	Thursday 1 September 2022 and Friday 2 September 2022
Term 1	Monday 5 September 2022 - Thursday 20 October 2022
Inset Day	Friday 21 October 2022
Half Term Holiday	Monday 24 October 2022 – Friday 28 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022 – Friday 16 December 2022
Christmas Holiday	Monday 19 December 2022 – Monday 2 January 2023
Inset Day	Tuesday 3 January 2023
Term 3	Wednesday 4 January 2023 – Friday 10 February 2023
Half Term Holiday	Monday 13 February 2023 – Friday 17/02/2023
Term 4	Monday 20/02/2023 – Friday 31/03/2023
Easter Holiday	Monday 03 April 2023 – Friday 14 April 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023 – Friday 26 May 2023

Half Term	Monday 29 May 2023 – Friday 2 June
Inset Day	Monday 5 June 2023
Term 6	Tuesday 6 June 2023 – Friday 21 July 2023

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER 21<sup>st</sup> March 2022

The newsletter is also available on our website <u>http://bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk</u>

