

The Federation of Bishop Sutton and Stanton Drew Primary Schools



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'Welcome back to school' September 2023 (BSPS version)

1. Contact details

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Website: www.bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk

2. Staff list and class organisation

Headteacher: Mr Dieter Cook (Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri) **Deputy Headteacher:** Mr Andy Marriott (Wed & Fri)



Curriculum leaders:

KS2 Team Leader: Mrs Lambert History Leader: Miss Gilmour & Miss Everson (SD)

KS1 Team Leader: Mrs Tucker **Geography leader:** Miss Nash

SENDCo: Ms Adams (Wed/Thurs) DT leader: Mr Schofield (SD)

English leader: Mrs Tucker Computing leader: Mr Marriott

Maths leader: Mrs Lambert Art & Design leader: Mrs Tucker & Mr Schofield (SD)

Science leader: Miss Pestell (SD) Music leader: Mr Cook

PE leader: Mrs Jeffery RE leader: Miss Everson (SD)

MfL (French) leader: Miss Wools

Classes & Support Staff

Class	Teachers	Teaching Assistants
Ducklings (YR)	Mrs Sharp	Mrs Perry (HLTA) and Miss Stuckey
Cygnets (Y1)	Mrs Jeffery	Mrs Allwood (mornings)
Herons (Y2)	Mrs Tucker	Mrs Rogers
Wrens (Y3)	Miss Gilmour	Mrs Collins
Swans (Y4)	Miss Wools (Mon to Thurs) & Mr Marriott (Fri)	Miss Benson (Mon, Tues, Fri am) and Mrs Rogers (Wed & Thurs am)
Swallows (Y4/5)	Miss Nash	Mrs Whitcher (HLTA) (Mon-Thurs am)
Kingfishers (Y5/6)	Mrs Lambert	Mrs Thomas (Mon-Thurs am)

Office and Admin Staff	Mrs Ware, Mrs Phillips & Mrs Richards	
Lunchtime Supervisors	Mrs Witt, Mrs Roper and Miss Angell. (Lunchtime supervisors are also supported by	
	other support staff and a member of the Senior Leadership Team). Rose Light and	
	Lisa Cook (from Aspens) serve our delicious school lunches in the school hall.	

3. Parking

Please park considerately and sensibly to make sure that our children are safe and to show consideration for our neighbours. Whilst we recognise the fact that some parents need to travel by car, we are an expanding school with around 180 children on roll and we would like to encourage children to walk to school as much as possible. We also have plenty of storage for cycles and scooters to the side of Kingfisher classroom. If children do ride a bicycle or scooter to school, please can you remind them that they should not be riding

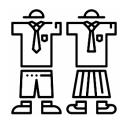


scooters or bicycles once they are inside the school gates – children should dismount and walk their scooters/bicycles to the storage areas.

4. Curriculum

Curriculum letters are available on the school website to give an overview of the routines in your child's class – these have also been posted on ClassDojo. Curriculum documents are also available on the website that provide an overview of your child's learning across the year. Please check periodically (e.g. once a term) for any updates. For children in YR, the <u>Early Learning Goals can be found here</u>.

5. School Uniform



Children are expected to wear school uniform at all times unless otherwise specified (e.g. Reception children do not wear uniform for forest school sessions). Guidance on school uniform is on the website and can be found here. Please make sure that all property and uniform, PE kits, coats etc are named. Please also make sure that children have coats in school — even if the weather is looking sunny and bright - at the start of every day.

6. Playground Equipment

Please note that the adventure play equipment by the field is **only** for the use of school-aged children during the school day, and **should not be used at any other time.**

7. School Day

Please try to be punctual at drop off time in the morning and collecting time in the afternoon. School times are:

Gates open: 8.45am

Registration and start of school: 8.55am (the bell sounds at 8.55am)

Gates Close: 9:00am

Where every child can dream, believe and achieve.

Break time: 10.45 -11.00am (10.30 - 10.45 on Friday)

Lunchtime: 12.00-1.00pm

End of school: 3.10pm (gates open at 3pm)

Office Opening hours: 8.30am-12.30pm and 1.00-3.30pm

Parents are welcome into school and we encourage frequent and regular communication. The end of the day is the best time to catch the class teachers, as in the morning we like the children to come into class independently and teachers are preparing activities.

8. Safeguarding

'Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is **everyone's** responsibility. **Everyone** who comes into contact with children and their families has a role to play. Practitioners should consider, at all times, what is in the **best**interests of the child'

From Working Together To Safeguard Children (HM Government, Sep 2023)

If you become concerned over a child's welfare for any reason e.g.

- a comment made by the child or
- marks/bruises or
- changes in the child's behaviour/demeanour

please report your concerns to one of the designated leads immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mr Cook, the Deputy DSL is Mr Marriott. The Federation Governor for Safeguarding is Mr Dan Spinney. In an emergency, contact the police immediately.

If you have any concerns over the DSL or Deputy DSL, you must report this to the Chair of Governors, Mr Dan Spinney or the CEO of LSP Trust, Mr Gary Lewis. (The school office has contact details).

9. Absence and attendance

We have to keep a record of all authorised and unauthorised absences, i.e. when you have not been given permission for your child to be absent from school. If your child is unable to attend school as a result of illness, parents **must** telephone the school and leave a message (01275 332817), or send a message to the school before 9.10am. Parents need to let the school know exactly what the illness is please. This avoids the school having to register illness as unauthorised absence. Even more importantly, it is a system for the school to monitor the safe arrival of all pupils. If your child arrives after the register has been taken, please make sure that you come in to school to sign your child in and provide a reason for the lateness. If the school does not receive this information, an unauthorised absence will be recorded. Lateness is monitored and investigated by the Children Missing Education Officer on a regular basis.

Parents are expected to get children to school on time and to avoid taking any holiday in term time.

Children are expected to attend school for 190 days out of 365. This leaves 175 days for holidays or non-urgent medical/dental appointments! Research suggests that children who are taken out of school may never catch up on work they have missed. This may affect test results and can be particularly harmful if the child is studying for final year examinations. Evidence also shows that children who attend school regularly are more successful, not only in school, but in all areas of life. Children who struggle with English or Mathematics may also find it harder to cope

when they return to school, while younger children may find it difficult to renew friendships with their classmates. Please also be aware that being late by 15 minutes a day is the same as missing two weeks of school over the year. The start of the school day is an important time for children to develop their social skills with their friends, as well as preparing them for their learning.

Whilst 90% in an exam might be seen as an 'excellent' score, 90% in school attendance terms is poor!

98% - 100% Excellent	Less than 6 days absence per year; excellent attendance! Children with this	
	attendance should achieve the best levels of achievement that they can.	
95% - 97% Good	Less than 10 days absence per year; good attendance! Children with this attendance	
	are likely to achieve the best level of achievement they can and are working to	
	improve their attendance and punctuality.	
91% - 94% Satisfactory	Nearly 20 days absence over the year – this is only satisfactory attendance! Children	
	with this attendance are missing approximately a month of school per year and may	
	fall behind in reading, writing, maths and other subjects. It may be difficult for them	
	to achieve their best.	
85% - 90% Concerns	Up to 27 days absence over the year – this is poor attendance! Children with this	
	attendance are missing approximately 4 to 5 weeks of school a year! It will be difficult	
	for them to keep up and achieve their best.	
Below 85% Serious	Roughly 1 day a week absence - extremely poor attendance! It will be almost	
Concerns	impossible for children with this level of absence to keep up with their work, and	
	they are at a high risk of failing. 85% attendance over the course of 7 years in Primary	
	School is the same as missing a whole year in school!	

10. Special educational needs (SEN)

The easiest way to <u>find information on SEND is on the website here</u> or contact Pauline Adams our SENDCO for a chat via the school office (contact details above).

11. Behaviour and our one Golden Rule

The Golden Rule is 'We always try our best to be kind, be safe and be responsible'. Children miss Golden Time if the rule is not followed. In the rare cases of persistent unacceptable behaviour, we will contact you and will expect your full support in dealing with the situation. (It is extremely rare for any child to be excluded from school; we follow recommended procedures for this and parents would be fully consulted.) The full behaviour policy is available on the website here.



12. Reading

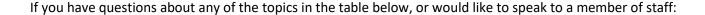
Please read with children as often as you can – five plus nights a week would be great. It is one of the most important ways that you can help children – it not only helps them to decode texts, but gives them knowledge, Where every child can dream, believe and achieve.

increases their vocabulary, improves their writing and of course, is a an amazing source of imagination and enjoyment. There is an overview of a range of <u>classic books for primary-aged children to read here</u> (200 books to read before you are 11). For information on the teaching of reading and phonics, see the information here.

'A book is a dream you hold in your hands' Neil Gaiman

13. Questions and Concerns

We do hope that parents/carers always feel free to raise questions and concerns with all our staff as early as possible – as this can prevent anxieties building up. **The best time of day to talk to staff is generally at the end of the day** – however, staff are always happy to make a mutually convenient appointment time with you. Should you have a concern and not sure who is best to speak to, please contact the school office for advice on who to speak with to resolve the issue and see the table below.



- > Email the school office via bsps@bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk
- > Put the subject and the name of the relevant member of staff in the subject line
- > We'll forward your email on to the relevant member of staff

Remember: check our website first, much of the information you need is posted there. If you see something that you think should be there please send an email with website in the subject line.

We try to respond to all emails within 48 hours or so depending on the nature of your enquiry. If it's a complex query or perhaps involves part-time members of staff, it could take longer. If this is the case we would normally send you an acknowledgement email with a suggested timescale for further response. If you have a concern that is not resolved after several meetings/discussion, this may lead to you wanting to make a complaint. The LSP Complaints Policy can be found on the school website here.

I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT	WHO YOU NEED TO TALK TO
Class activities/lessons/homework	Your child's class teacher
Payments	School office: Mrs Phillips or Mrs Ware
School trips	School office: Mrs Phillips or Mrs Ware
Uniform/lost and found	Is left by the lift at the bottom of the stairs; we periodically put this out for parents to claim their child's items
Attendance and absence requests	If you need to report your child's absence, call the school office

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	01275 332817. If you want to request approval for term-time absence, contact the school office for an absence request form or download from the school website here (Leave of Absence Request form)
Behaviour, bullying or Golden Time	Your child's class teacher
School events/the school calendar	School office: Mrs Ware, Mrs Richards or Mrs Phillips
Special educational needs	Either your child's class teacher or Mrs Pauline Adams
Before and after-school clubs	If it's school-based clubs, either the person running the club or Mr Andy Marriott. If it's Breakfast and After School Club (BASC) with PH Sports – <u>information and contact details are here.</u>
The PTA	Mrs Melissa Arnold is the current Chair of the PTA - email contact address is: PTA@bsps@bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk
The governing board	In the first instance contact Mrs Sally Connell (as Clerk to the governors) on 01275 332817 or email her on sconnell@bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk
Catering/meals	Aspens Catering 01905 759613

ClassDojo

Please see the guidance on the website here for when (and when not) to use ClassDojo. In short, the app is used for teachers and parents to communicate about learning; please do NOT use ClassDojo to communicate absences, pupil illness, or changes to end of day arrangements. Please also note that teachers do not have time during the busy school day to check messages and reply immediately.



14. School meals information

> School meals are provided by Aspens who are experts in school catering and have years of experience when it comes to school food. If you have any questions about their service, or any special dietary requirements - please get in touch with Aspens. You can contact them via email on info@aspens-services.com or call on 01905 759613. You will also find a host of information on their website www.aspens-services.com

- > Children in YR/Y1/Y2 may be provided with a free school meal through the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). Please note that meals still need to be ordered through the Aspens by 8.30am. For children in KS2, meals cost £2.45 and also need to be booked by 8.30am through the same booking system.
- > Children can bring a packed lunch to eat in the school hall. Packed lunches are placed in a container outside each class in the morning. Please do not include any nuts or items with nuts in the packed lunch.
- > The school is a nut free school as we have children with severe nut allergies
- > Break time snacks should be fresh fruit/raisins, this is provided for Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 can bring in fruit from home.

15. Free school meals

Your child is eligible for benefit-related free school meals (and therefore, their school will receive the **pupil premium**) if they are attending a state school in Bath and North East Somerset, and you are receiving one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (if your annual net earned income is £7,400 or less, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods
- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit, without any Working Tax Credit, and an annual household income of £16,190 or less (as
 assessed by HMRC Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs)
- Four-week run-on Working Tax Credit (paid for four weeks after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

How do I register?

The easiest way to register is online here. Alternatively, please:

- Call the Free School Meals helpline on 01225 394317 to make a telephone registration. They will need you National Insurance number or National Asylum Seeker Support Number when you call.
- Or print and complete the Free School Meals Registration Form on the BANEs website and post it to: People and Communities Finance, Free School Meals, Bath & North East Somerset Council, Lewis House, Manvers Street, Bath, BA1 1JG.

More information

If you have any questions or specific concerns, please contact Mrs Dimmock or Mrs Phillips in the school office.

16. Pupil premium

Introduced in 2011, the pupil premium is a sum of money given to schools each year by the Government to improve the attainment of disadvantaged children (e.g. those eligible for free school meals). The pupil premium is intended to directly benefit the children who are eligible, helping to narrow the gap between them and their classmates. Parents

and carers of children eligible will be contacted by the school to confirm eligibility - more information is available on the website. Mr Andy Marriott is our Pupil Premium coordinator (see Free School Meals section above).

17. The Local Governing board

Chair of governors: Mr Dan Spinney (BS parent)

Vice Chair of governors: Mrs Sarah Cran (SD parent)

Clerk to the governors: Mrs Sally Connell

If you are interested in becoming a governor or would like to contact a governor, contact Mrs Connell (as Clerk to the governors) in the first instance. Governors have three main responsibilities relating to:



- strategic planning,
- financial performance (including value for money) and
- holding the Headteacher to account

Governors are not responsible for the day to day running of the school; that is down to the Headteacher and the staff.