

In the news this week..



Look at our fabulous netball team. Well done to each of them.

3rd April –
Community
Café – Easter
theme

12th to 15th
May YEAR 6
SATS week –
please make sure
children in year 6
are in this week so
they do not miss
out.

Week
beginning 9th
June Year 1
phonics test
will be taken this
week. Any year 2
who did not pass
last year will also
have to resit the
test.

13th June Sport's
morning and picnic –
reserve date 30th June

Ofsted Inspection

We were excited to show off during our recent Ofsted inspection. We can't wait to receive the report. This can take up to a month as it has to be quality assured along with all the evidence gathered.

I was proud of the children and staff. The inspectors spent time in classes watching lessons and looked at hundreds of books. They talked to staff and lots of children about what they were learning, what they could recall from learning in the past and what they enjoyed. They asked the children about behavior and bullying, how they stayed safe and what clubs and activities the school had for them.

All meetings with children were without staff so that no one could influence their answers.

The inspectors look at the curriculum, the lessons and what the impact of the teaching has been. They look at behavior and attendance and what the school has done to improve these. They look at how safe the children are and how we help them to learn to stay safe. They look at how we develop their confidence and resilience, how we include them in actions at the school and listen to their opinion. They look at clubs, committees and sports and how many children are involved. They look at our early years and what we do to make sure our children get the very best start. They look at how the school is lead and how leaders make the right decisions to continue to improve the school further. They also want to see huge impact since the inspection a couple of years ago.

We had three inspectors on day one and two inspectors on day two – the equivalent of five days of inspecting. The inspector's evidence is then reviewed and a report written summarizing what they have seen. They then give a judgement to say if the school is doing enough and give some areas to develop further.

When we receive the report, we will share it with all parents and families so that you can read what they found. You will see what they thought we were doing really well and what areas they will look at next time.

They also grade each area they look at to say if it is good or needs more development.

In September the Ofsted framework is changing again and so the next inspection will look very different. Schools are waiting for more information to know what this might look like

Sporting Excellence

What a fantastic experience our year 3 and 4 netball team had last week. Our year 3 and 4 Netball teams have been practicing hard this half term and it really paid off. Our teams won every single game making Bishop's the winners of the Thetford Cluster netball games. A special mention to Frankie who not only demonstrated superb skills but represented the school with such pride. Results

Year 3 won all 5 games with a clean sheet! Winning

12-0

5-0

7-0

8-0

3-0

Year 4 won all 5 games

2-0

5-1

3-1

5-0

2-0

The team also showed incredible sportsmanship.



World Book Day

It was wonderful to see so many children dress up for World Book Day. We enjoyed working out what word each child had chosen. Some of you had made such a lot of effort and showed great imagination. You are very clever.



KEEP US UP TO DATE WITH YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure the school office has your most up to date contact details to ensure we can contact you in an emergency and so you do not miss updates.

For questions and queries, please contact:

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Attendance winners this week

1st place Pine Class 98.5%

2nd place Mulberry 97.2%

3rd place Beech Class 96.7%

Only one class had attendance below 90% this week where a child is on holiday. Unfortunately one child on holiday can make a huge difference to the classes' attendance and chance of winning the trophy and bear.

We have 8 classes with unauthorized absences above 2%. This is quite a lot for a class. If your child is poorly, please let the office know. You can always tell them after wards if you have forgotten and they can go back into the system and change the mark.

Our attendance is tracked by the Local Authority and by the DfE. I am delighted that in the last two years we have improved our attendance so much. From 86% to 93% attendance and from 40% of children attending less than 90% to now only 18%.

We know families under 90% are working really hard to get above 90% and it shows.

Thank you to all our families for working hard to ensure their children are at school and can catch up with their learning and have a bright future.

If you find it difficult to get your child to school in the morning, please do get in touch so that we can work together to find a solution.

