

Two Rivers Federation Bishops Tawton Primary School

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Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope you've had a great week! Please see the below news and updates for the school.

Spring Term Overview

We have had a very busy term with lots of exciting activities and events and would like to share with you a summary of the things that the children have taken part in over the Spring term.

- Year 4 tennis festival
- Church open the book
- Year 5/6 athletics
- Netball tournament
- International woman's day Y3/4 football event
- Bikeability Year 4/5/6
- K52 dance festival
- Year 5/6 boys football qualifier
- Honey Farm visit- Pre-school, Reception, Year 3 & Year 4
- Victorian workshop day Year 1 &2
- Exmoor Zoo visit Year 5 & 6

Important dates:

26th March - Quince Honey Farm Trip for Taw & Codden

26th March - Year 4 Bikeability

27th March - PTFA Easter Bingo!

28th March - Deadline to check the school lost property

28th March - Last day of term

18th April - Rock and Rapid one-day residential (Year 4)

24th April - Y6 London Residential Parent Meeting

12th June - NO CABIN CLUB

19th June - Pre-school and Codden stay and play sports morning

25th June - KS1 sports afternoon

27th June - KS2 sports afternoon

4th July - Transition morning Y1-Y5

11th & 12th July - Y6 transition days to Park

2024/2025 Term Dates are now available on our school website or here.

Home Learning can be found every week on our School website or here.

Reports

We will be sending reports out via email, week commencing Monday 25th March. If you have not received your child's report by Wednesday 27th March, please email the office or pop into us, so we can get this sent to you before the end of term. Please note that the reports will be emailed out to the first/main contact parent only, unless you make us aware that you would like your child's report to be sent to another person with parental responsibility.

Year 5 London residential meeting - Wednesday 24th April @ 2.45pm

We will be holding a meeting for parents regarding the upcoming Year 5 London residential on **Wednesday 24**th **April at 2.45pm** with Mrs Lintin and Miss Robins. At the meeting you will be given all the information you need to know about the trip, as well as an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. We please ask that you only use the main gate when arriving for the meeting. Please do **not** come via the back gates as we are not able to buzz you in.

Reminder - Y4 Rock and Rapid - One day residential

An email went out to year 4 parents, including important info for the rock and rapid residential. Please make sure that you have completed and returned the medical form that you would have been given at the parents meeting recently. We have had a lot of forms returned already - thank you for being so prompt. Please also make sure that you have filled out the waiver via the link in the email that was sent out. All forms need to be completed/returned by Wednesday 27th March.

Child absence reporting

Please could we remind you that it is a requirement that all absences need to be reported to the school office by telephone or in person. You may leave a voicemail if needed - these are monitored regularly. We spend lots of time calling and following up with parents for a reason for their childs absence, if your child is ill and won't be in, or there is another reason for their absence please do let us know in the **school office**, at your earliest convenience. This needs to be done daily, if the absence is for more than one day.

Keyboard/Piano Lessons

Rebecca Barrow is no longer able to come into school to teach keyboard/piano. If your child was having lessons with Rebecca and would like to continue, then Steph Reed is able to take them on. Please let the office know by next Wednesday if you would like your child to continue having lessons but with Steph. Steph will then get in touch with you and make arrangements.

Teacher led and external led after school clubs - SUMMER TERM

Please see the below timetable for afterschool clubs in the upcoming Summer term. The highlighted clubs will be available to book next week via Eduspot. If you would like to book with Goalgetters or Tennis club, please see the email sent out recently with all the details and booking form. Places are limited for all clubs, so please make sure you book ASAP if your

child would like to attend any session. Please note that if you book on, you are committing your child to attend all of the 6 week sessions. (You only need to book once for teacher led clubs, unlike Breakfast and Cabin Club which is booked per day).

SUMMER TERM CLUBS

Monday	Drawing Club (Y2,3,4)	Goalgetters (R, Y1&2)
Tuesday		Mini Basketball (R,Y1 &2)
Wednesday		Tennis (Y2,3,4,5 & 6)
Thursday	Yoga (All years)	

NO CABIN CLUB - Wednesday 12th June

Please note that there is **NO** Cabin Club on Wednesday 12th June due to mandatory staff training. If you book your child into Cabin Club on Wednesdays, we ask that you make other arrangements for your child on this date.

Lost Property

If your child is missing anything, please could you check our lost property items before we break up for the easter break on Thursday 28th March, after which, any items that are left will be discarded, if not collected.

Childrens underwear donations

We would be grateful of any donations of children's unwanted underwear (from age 6+ upwards) preferably new or nearly new or in very good condition. You can drop these into the school office any time - Thank you!

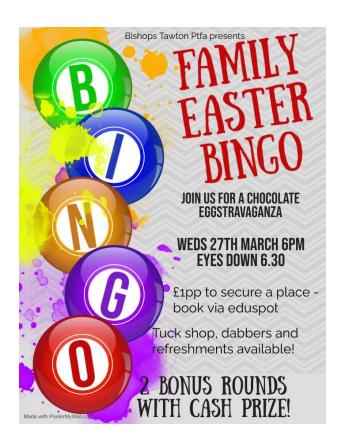
Easter Family Bingo!

The PTFA will be holding an Easter Family Bingo session on Weds 27th March in the school hall. (Doors open at 6pm, eyes down at 6.30pm)

Please secure your tickets via Eduspot/SchoolMoney, tickets are £1 per person. Please select an appropriate ticket type, to reflect the amount of people who want to go along. If you are wanting to book more than 6 people, please enquire with the school office as we need to monitor the numbers.

All ages welcome!

Refreshments available on the night!



Outstanding School Payments

We have a growing number of outstanding fees for school dinners, clubs and pre-school. We appreciate that we're all facing an increased cost of living, our School is no exception to that. Therefore can we please request that you go to your SchoolMoney account and make payment for any outstanding fees, as soon as possible. Note, if you usually pay by childcare vouchers, see information below.

If you are having issues logging into your SchoolMoney account and have tried to resolve by re-setting your password/reinstalling the app, please get in contact via families@bishopstawton-primary.org

If you are facing financial difficulty, please get in contact with the School as a priority to discuss.

Primary Sports and Education

Primary Sports and Education are running a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) funded programme at Sticklepath School during the Easter holidays. The HAF Programme is funded by the Department for Education and children who are eligible for benefit related Free School Meals (FSM) are given the opportunity to access rewarding activities alongside healthy meals during school holidays.



A message from Sporty Stars...

We are thrilled to announce an exciting opportunity for your children to join us at Sporty Stars Holiday Camp, held at West Buckland School in North Devon.

At Sporty Stars, we provide children with unforgettable experiences filled with laughter, teamwork, and adventure. Our holiday camp is designed to offer a wide range of thrilling activities that will keep your child engaged and entertained throughout the holidays.

Here's what you can expect at Sporty Stars Holiday Camp:

- Swimming: Group sessions led by the experienced instructors from Aquarius Swim School.
- Bubble Football: Experience the excitement of football like never before.
- Nerf Wars: Engage in epic battles of strategy and foam darts.
- · Archery Targets: Test your aim and enjoy a round of Archery tag.
- Inflatable Games: Bounce, slide, and laugh on a variety of inflatable attractions with a sporting emphasis.
- Dodgeball: Enjoy an action-packed game of dodgeball.
- Other Sports: Football, basketball, tennis, handball, and party games

Our experienced team is committed to ensuring a safe and enjoyable environment for all participants while promoting teamwork and sportsmanship.

Camp Details:

- Dates: Tuesday 2nd April Friday 5th April & Monday 8th April Friday 12th April.
- Timings: 8:15 am 5:15 pm
- Location: West Buckland, Barnstaple EX32 OSX
- Transport: Return Bus service from Barnstaple (Homebase) & South Molton (Mole Valley).
- Cost: £40 per day / 10% off week block booking

Spaces are limited, so we encourage you to register early to secure your child's spot at Sporty Stars Camp. You can register and find additional information on our website

https://www.sportystars.co.uk/west-buckland-school.html or contact us at hello@sportystars.co.uk.

Thank you for considering Sporty Stars as part of your child's holiday plans. We are excited to create lasting memories and provide an enriching experience for your little ones during this upcoming school break.



A message from North Devon Regional Talent Centre...

We are holding trials for footballers to join the North Devon Regional Talent Centre. They play in the Junior Premier League and is a fantastic opportunity for footballers to represent North Devon.

We believe this is a positive opportunity for North Devon footballers to develop and increase overall participation in football/sporting activity across all ages, with the focus of enjoyment and keeping more footballers in the game, long term.



