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Dear Parents & Carers

03/10/2025

Please see important dates and information below for the coming weeks.

Autumn Term

Important dates:

6th October - Y1/2/3 - Appledore Maritime Museum

8th October - PTFA AGM 6pm

14th October - Science Day

21st October - Y6 trip Northam Burrows rock pools and radar station

23rd October - Y4/5 trip Northam Burrows rock pools and radar station

27th - 31st October - Half term

14th November - School photographs

18th November - Flu immunisation day

W/B 24th November - Parent consultations (more information to follow)

19th December - Last day of term

Don't forget to access your child's home learning weekly via the school website, or click [here](#)!

2025/2026 Term dates have been added to our school website [here](#).

Please see the Autumn Term Curriculum Mats [here](#).

Please see the Autumn Term Munch Time Menu via our school website, [here](#). This runs up to the October half term, when it will then be revised for the next part of the school year.

Harvest Service

Thank you for attending the harvest service at the church yesterday, we hope you enjoyed it and thank you also, for your donations of dried and tinned food, these are really appreciated.

Bags and coats

We continue to have a large group of children coming to school without a coat. Please ensure your child has a named coat every day to enable them to access outdoor play at break and lunchtimes. Thank you to those who have stopped using rucksacks on a daily basis.

Un-named School Jumpers

We have acquired a large amount of un-named school jumpers in our lost property. If your child is missing any uniform please ask them to check here.

Please label your child's belongings, this will give the best chance of anything lost, returning to them.

Uniform - Reminder

Please ensure that your child is adhering to our school uniform expectation as stated below:

Hair

Hair must be in an appropriate/conventional style for school. It must not reflect any extreme of fashion. Unnatural hair colours are not acceptable. 'Over-sized' hair accessories are not permitted. Hair must not be less than grade 3. Tramlines and patterns are not acceptable for school.

Jewellery

Jewellery should not be worn to school other than watches (no smart watches) Small/plain stud earrings worn conventionally one in each ear lobe are permitted. These must be removed for PE lessons by the child. *No member of staff is allowed to remove, replace or cover jewellery.

Makeup

No makeup or nail varnish/nail extensions are allowed.
No visible transfers/tattoos

This can also be found on our school website

https://www.bishopstawton-primary.devon.sch.uk/web/school_uniform/185075

Breakfast Club

Please be reminded that we do **NOT** run breakfast club on a Thursday or Friday.

Cabin Club

If you book your child into Cabin Club and then no longer require the booking, please could you let the school office know so we can remove them from the list. Some days we have a waiting list, so this will ensure that we can offer another child the space.

6th October - Y1/2/3 - Appledore Maritime Museum

Please see the email sent out to all Y1,2 & 3 parents yesterday with the details about what your child needs to wear and bring on the trip to Appledore's Maritime Museum on Monday 6th October.

Numbers for school packed lunches have now been confirmed with the kitchen, if you haven't already booked your child for a Ham or Cheese Roll for the trip, please provide them with a home packed lunch on the day.

A big thank you to the parents who have volunteered their time to come with us on the trip and help. We really do appreciate it!

8th October - PTFA AGM

Please come and join our PTFA AGM on Wednesday 8th October at 6pm. This is a great opportunity to get involved as a parent, share ideas and find out what the PTFA is all about and what their upcoming plans are.

14th October - Science Day

Parent Volunteers Needed 14 October 9am-11:30am

We are still looking for more parent volunteers to join us for **Science Day**! It will be a fun and engaging two hours, giving children a brilliant insight into how science plays a part in so many everyday jobs.

From **hairdressing** and **nursing** to **engineering**, **plumbing**, **mechanics**, **chefs**, **vets**, **electricians**, **lab technicians**, **dentists**, **makeup artists**, **personal trainers**, and even **builders** - science is everywhere!

You won't be expected to take a whole class, instead you'll chat to small groups of children who are interested in learning more about your role and how science is involved. It's a great way to get them thinking about real-world applications of science in a relaxed and informal setting.

If you'd be happy to get involved, please let us know. Your experience could really help inspire the next generation of scientists, problem-solvers, and innovators.

2026 Residentials

Y5 London Residential – 1st-2nd April 2026



Just a reminder that the deposit is due for payment via Eduspot/SchoolMoney by Friday 10th October to secure your child's place. If you have already made payment, thank you, we will have received it.

Y6 St Georges House Residential – 20th-24th April 2026



Please see the email sent out to year 6 parents today with more information and a form link to confirm your child's interest in attending the residential. **Please complete the form by Friday 10th October.** Once we have determined numbers we will set up a deposit payment via Eduspot/SchoolMoney.

Y4 Rock and Rapid Residential – 23rd-24th April 2026



Please see the email sent out to year 4 parents today with more information and a form link to confirm your child's interest in attending the residential. **Please complete the form by Friday 10th October.** Once we have determined numbers we will set up a deposit payment via Eduspot/SchoolMoney.

Pastoral News

[Play Resource](#)

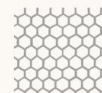
Please see link above for a simple play resource that we thought you would find helpful. Play is important for children - supporting all areas of their development.



FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CLUB



Join us this summer for fun filled days of football
games, competitions & prizes
Girls & Boys / All abilities
Ages 5 - 15 years



27 - 31 OCTOBER | 9am - 4pm

TARKA LEISURE CENTRE, BARNSTAPLE

28 - 29 OCTOBER | 9am - 4pm

THE KINGSLEY SCHOOL, BIDEFORD



Have a great weekend!