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Dear Parents & Carers,

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**Autumn term 2**

We hope you had a great week off!

Welcome back to the second part of the Autumn Term.

**Home Learning can be found every week on our School website or [here](#).**



**Important dates:**

11<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Day

14<sup>th</sup> November - School Photos - Tempest Photography

15<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need - Non-Uniform/wear your PJ's day!

15<sup>th</sup> November - PTFA School Disco

21<sup>st</sup> November - School Council Film Night Fundraiser

W/C 25<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Consultations

21<sup>st</sup> November - School Open afternoon for September 2025 Admissions 2-3pm

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> December - Vision screening age 4-5 years

3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> April - Y5 Residential to London

22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> April - Y6 residential to St Georges House

1<sup>st</sup>- 2<sup>nd</sup> May -Y4 residential to Rock and Rapid (more info to follow)

A decorative border for the Christmas dates section, featuring a repeating pattern of red and green zig-zag shapes on a light beige background.

**Important Christmas Dates**

28 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA Wreath Making Workshop
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fete
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Shop
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Y1-4 Dick Whittington Pantomime
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception & Year 1 Nativity (Afternoon)
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle (Afternoon & Evening Service)

More information to follow...

## Remembrance Day - 11<sup>th</sup> November

Throughout this week the children have been able to buy a poppy in school - thank you for your kind donations. On Monday we will have a remembrance service during an assembly where we will also take part in the two-minute silence.

## School Photos - Tempest Photography - 14<sup>th</sup> November

Tempest Photography will be coming into school to take single and sibling photos.

## Children in Need - 15<sup>th</sup> November



This year the school will be raising money for Children in Need by holding a Non-Uniform/Wear your PJ's day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. **We invite children to take part in a competition for the best Pudsey Spoon! Decorate/dress up a wooden spoon as Pudsey and bring into school to be judged - a winner from each class will be picked and will receive a prize! Have fun creating it!**

Please donate anything you can via our JustGiving page [here](#).

## PTFA School Disco - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November

RJ Richard is back again for another fun school disco in the village hall, organised by the PTFA. The Disco will take place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

Please see the times for your child below, depending on their year group.

- Pre-School, Reception & Year 1 from 5pm-6pm
- Year 2,3,4,5 & 6 from 6.15pm-7.15pm

If your child would like to attend the Disco please purchase a ticket via (shop tab) Eduspot/SchoolMoney (no later than Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November, to enable us to finalise numbers.)

Tickets cost £3.50 per child and include a drink and a snack.

We kindly ask that any preschool and reception aged children have an adult stay with them at the venue for the entirety of the Disco.

## Parent Consultations - W/C 25<sup>th</sup> November

If you are still yet to try to book an appointment via the Bookings link but are unable to - please email [families@bishopstawton-primary.org](mailto:families@bishopstawton-primary.org) & the Admin Team will book this in for you. There are limited time slots available, but we will try our best to accommodate you.

### School Council Film Night Fundraiser - 21<sup>st</sup> November

The school council have been busy organising a film night fundraiser. The film night will take place on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November** and is open to children in Reception through to Year 6. **Children to arrive from 4.45pm, with the film starting promptly at 5pm. Please bring a blanket and a pillow to get comfy!**

There is a choice of 2 films, **Wish** or **Inside Out 2**. Please purchase your £3 ticket via Eduspot/SchoolMoney, here you can indicate your child's film preference by purchasing the ticket with the chosen film title. Please note that tickets are limited and will work on a first come first serve basis. The cost includes popcorn and a drink!

The films will be shown in Exmoor and Saunton class, located at the top of the school. Please drop off and pick your child/ren up from the top playground. **The film night finishes promptly at 7pm**, please use the **bottom gates only** when you are picking up your child/ren. The top gates will be locked.

The donations received from this fundraiser will be split between the school council fund and Children in Need.

### Afterschool Clubs - W/C 25<sup>th</sup> November

Our Afterschool Clubs will be starting from this coming Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

Please note that there will be **NO Netball Club, Singing Club or Book Club running during the week of 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November** because the teachers leading these clubs will be busy with the parent consultations. Apologies for any inconvenience. Should you still need afterschool care provision, we do have our Cabin Club which you are able to book your child onto at a charge. If you require a space, please book ASAP via Eduspot/SchoolMoney as Cabin Club has limited spaces and books up very quickly.

**The Goal Getters and Spanish Club will still be running as normal that week so if your child is already booked on, they can still attend these clubs as normal.**

### Vision screening for children aged 4 to 5 years - W/C 9<sup>th</sup> December

We are inviting children **aged 4 to 5 years** to receive vision screening. This will take place at school during the week commencing **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**. Please see the information sent out by email today to those parents with the relevant aged children. There is a detailed information leaflet for you to read to explain what vision screening is and what happens if your child is found to have reduced vision. **You should take time to read this information.** If you **DO NOT** want your child to have vision screening, please complete and return the slip provided in the email. Otherwise, we will assume you are happy for your child to be screened.

## Last call for Smarties tubes!

Please return all Smarties tubes back to school by this coming Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

## Parking in Mount Pleasant

If you park in Mount Pleasant for the school run, please could we ask that you are mindful and considerate of the residents who live there. Please drive slowly and carefully and be aware that children will be crossing the roads, we understand that it is a very busy time during school pick up and drop off, but the safety of everyone is paramount. We will be asking our local PCSO to come and do a walk around during these times to help ensure the road is being used safely.



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# Open Afternoon Stay & Play

Thursday 21st November 2024 - 2 - 3pm

### Are you looking for a Pre-School or Reception place?

We would like to invite you to our Open Afternoon and Stay and Play session. Throughout the afternoon there will be an opportunity to have a tour of our school and meet children, staff, parents, governors and PTFA members. Families are welcome to spend time playing and exploring in our Early Years Gardens and classrooms.



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Find out more... Have a look at our blog on the school website:  
[www.bishopstawton-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.bishopstawton-primary.devon.sch.uk)

Have a great weekend!