



Bishops Tawton Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 2nd July

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wave Rangers

This week the Year 6's have had a wonderful time completing all of the different activities for the [Wave Rangers project](#). They will earn their [John Muir Award](#), after volunteering, discovering new places and helping the environment.

Parent forum

Thank you to the parents below that have offered to be on the parent forum. We had a great first meeting together this week.

Josie Knight	Lisa Bashford
Kate Apps	Jo Carter
Anna Stopes	Eleanor Harrison
Rebecca Leach	Louisa Thomas

If you have any ideas you would like to bring to parent forum then please email them to parentforum@bishopstawton-primary.org and they will be forwarded on to the relevant representative to bring to the next meeting in September. There will be an email sent out from the parent forum next week with a questionnaire to complete, we would appreciate you taking the time to complete.

It was mentioned at our meeting on Wednesday that there has been some discussion about parking, holiday clubs and the current drop off/collection procedures.

Holiday Clubs

As a school this year we won't be providing a holiday club but we will continue to share any provision that we hear about. Please see below some suggestions and attachments with this email.

[Primary Sports & Education](#) [Sciencedipity](#) [Appledore Adventure club](#) [Achieve4all](#)

Childcare: Ali - 07500802140 alielks@hotmail.co.uk

Parking

We realise that parking is problematic for all of you but please remember to park safely even if this means that you have to walk a short distance. **Do not** park on the opposite side of the busy road or on the zig zags as this causes greater danger. Also please be mindful of residents on Mount Pleasant and the safety of our children when crossing over.

Drop offs/Collections

Currently these procedures remain in place for drop offs/collections:

- Only one parent to attend.
- Parents made aware that social distancing applies to them when dropping/collecting children at school gate - social distance on lane or Mount Pleasant.
- **One way system implemented on school lane.**
- The wearing of masks outside of the school gates is personal preference but you may want to read the recommendations in the government guidance [Staying safe outside of your home: face coverings and Guidance for Full Opening](#)

The full information is still available on our [website](#):

Please be patient while waiting in the queue, we are all adults and ought to be able to be polite without needing reminders.

Classes for 2021

The class teachers have moved for September but the class groups will remain the same, see table below which explains where your child will be:

	Classes for September 2021					
Taw	Codden	Tarka	Barum	Saunton	Exmoor	Lundy
Pre-school	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Yr4/5	Yr 5/6
Miss Birch Mrs Allchorn Mrs Haigh Mrs Clatworthy	Mrs Paul Mrs Clark	Mrs James	Mrs Wise	Mrs Lintin Ms Bunnell	Miss Rhoads	Mrs Hughes Mrs Crispin
	Mrs Furse	Mrs Palfrey	Mrs Lane	Ms Enns	Mrs Darlington	Mrs Spear
*The children will stay in the same class groups as this year	New starters	Previous Codden class	Previous Tarka class	Previous Barum class	Previous Saunton class	Previous Exmoor class

Transition day (spending time with the new teacher) will be on Monday 12th July, other transition activities are also in place to ensure a smooth move to the next teacher. Our very popular doorstep visits to our new starters with delivery of BTS teddy bears (funded by our PTFA) and book bags are taking place currently. We have already received some lovely feedback from these visits which has been great to hear.

Reports

Annual reports will be issued via email during the week beginning 12th July.

Absence & Lateness

Please contact the school as soon as possible, by telephone, preferably before 9.00am by **ringing** 01271 343002. You will be expected to tell us your child's name, class, the reason for the absence and if possible the expected return date. The office staff are helping with the arrival of children in the morning so if no one is available to answer the phone then please leave a message. Please do not use email for this.

Gates close at **8.45am**, your child should be in school by this time. If they are late please use the front gate so that they can report to the office.

Please ring each day your child is absent or is going to be late.

Coats

The weather next week is looking unsettled, please send your child in with a named coat every day so they're prepared whatever the weather!

Road Closure

The road closure for Mount Pleasant didn't happen this week and we still don't know when this will be. We will still go ahead with the arrangements that we had planned. If the road is closed then children that go to cabin club after school will need to be collected via the front entrance, we will try and email on the day to forewarn you. Those that use the back entrance of school, please be patient, allow extra time to park safely in the village and walk your child up/from the back gate as usual for both the start and end of the school day.

Very Best Wishes

Melanie Smallwood