



Bishop William Ward C of E Primary School Newsletter

Happy, respectful, lifelong learners

'I have come so that they may have life, and have it in all its fullness' John 10:10

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Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for getting used to the new drop-off and collection routines so quickly. I know it isn't easy to always remember a mask – particularly first thing in the morning, so thank you for doing so. Please remember to arrive and leave as swiftly as possible, without waiting for friends or stopping for a chat. It goes against the usual friendly ethos that we try to encourage at BWW, but the guidelines we have been given are to avoid any groups of people gathering.

One of the many advantages of the recent lovely weather has been that our outdoor 'Prayer Space' event was able to go ahead. Thank you to members of the local church, who organised some thought-provoking activities for the children to engage in.



Our School Bible verse is John 10:10 –

**'I have come that they may have life,
and have it in all its fullness.'**

An appreciation of the natural world and what it can help teach us about our own lives helps children to consider what life in all its fullness means.



Children in the Gold Book this week:

- Foundation: William
- Year 1: Arran
- Year 2: Jesse
- Year 3: Scarlett
- Year 4: Aiden
- Year 5: Jack
- Year 6: Tallulah




Congratulations to **Oliver**, winner of the KS1 Achievement Cup for October.

PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

Please make sure you get your requests for parent/teacher meetings in on Monday. If parents live in separate houses, please arrange for one parent to take the call who can then give feedback to the other, as we do not have enough slots to give multiple calls for each child. If this is a problem, please come and talk to me about it.

Phone calls will take no longer than 10 minutes. Please respect this time limit, as we do not want to keep people waiting. Thank you!



For **Children in Need** next Friday, children are allowed to break some uniform rules. Each rule break will cost them 50p! The rules children are allowed to break are...

Non uniform
Wear nail varnish
Have crazy hair
Wear a fake tattoo
Paint your face
Wear lipstick
Wear hair accessories
Wear a hat in class

Hair still needs to be tied back, earrings removed for PE and shoes appropriate for school.



Please make sure you have set up your **children's log-ins** for Class Dojo. This is what the QR code that came out last term is for. You also received a message on Class Dojo, so you can follow the link to set up the log-in (**tip: take a photo of the QR code so that you don't lose it!**). It is vital that you have this set up, so that your child can switch to remote learning quickly if the situation should arise.

Catch Up Tuition Funding

The government has provided schools with funding to help students catch up following the school closure in the summer. We are using this funding to enable our job-share teachers to come in on days that they don't work to provide small group or individual tuition for targeted pupils. This is why your child might say they worked with a teacher on a day that they would not usually be in school. Children of all ability levels will be part of the tuition and they might attend for one session, or for a number of sessions. We believe that using teachers who know the children and the expectations in school is the best use of this money.



Covid 19 Risk Assessment Update

The updates to our risk assessment this week have already been explained in previous newsletters – parents and staff wearing masks; new drop-off/collection times.

Unfortunately, the new guidelines released this week will mean that we need to stop our after-school clubs completely (Fun 4 Kids will continue to run) and we will not be able to run any tours for prospective parents.

The value that we are focusing on this term is **peace**. Talk to your child about where they find peace and how they can become a peacemaker in our school and at home.

I know that the children are feeling a bit down about having all their out-of-school activities cancelled. We are glad they are still with us and will be doing all we can to keep things fun and engaging for them when they are at school.

Mr Bull