

Autumn
2022

BISPHAM DRIVE JUNIOR SCHOOL

21st Century Learning for the 21st Century Child

23rd September 2022



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Bispham Drive
Junior School
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Once more a busy and productive week in school where we have been able to take advantage of the continued good weather. This was particularly important on Wednesday when the school marked National Fitness Day. The children reflected on the need for and benefits of regular exercise in assembly, then at lunchtime they were encouraged to try a number of activities led by staff. These included circuit training using both our playground gym equipment and a range of PE equipment. There was Cheerleading in the hall and boxing training on the field. All of these activities were very popular and I know the staff enjoyed working out with the children as well.

Another important feature of this week has been the 3 parent meetings we have held. Staff in years 4, 5 and 6 welcomed the opportunity to meet their parents, some new and some with their second or even third child going through the school. We believe it is important to share both our expectations of the year and also what the children will experience. Bispham Drive children achieve as well as they do because parents and staff work together to support their learning and I thank you for the interest you showed in attending these meetings. For any parents who were unable to attend the presentation slides can be found on your child's Google Classroom page and of course you can make an appointment to talk to a class teacher after school if you wish to. Year 3's meeting is next Tuesday and as ever I too will be there to meet you all.

Please check out some important notices on the following page and have a good weekend.

Andrea Goetzee

Headteacher

Notices - Particularly for next week!

BISPHAM FRIENDS GROUP

As mentioned last week we are holding a meeting to gauge parental interest in joining our parent fundraising group the BFG. This meeting will take place at 5.30 pm on Wednesday 28th September. This meeting will be a short one to gather names and have a brief chat about what is involved. We hope we can find a way forward for this group as it does invaluable work which school staff are willing to help with but have not got time to run themselves. The first main event of the year is usually the Christmas Disco which we hope can take place on December 2nd. If it is to go ahead then organising needs to begin soon and the more people there are the easier it is. I was once told that the Bispham Disco was the start of the Christmas social season in Toton so I really hope we can continue to do this. Please volunteer, we have lots of fun.

Macmillan Coffee Morning - Thursday 29th September (9am - 10.30am)

We will be hosting a Coffee Morning and invite you to come into school and read with their child in the hall. You will be able to purchase refreshments including tea and coffee as well as a selection of cakes. If possible, school would appreciate any donations of cakes for our cake sale to help raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Individual School Photographs– The photographer will be in school on the morning of Friday 30th September. If you have a child at another school and would like a joint sibling photo you may arrive at school from 8am for this. If both of your children are at Bispham, sibling photos will take place during school time.



Key Dates

September

29th Macmillan Coffee Morning and Reading Café

30th Pupil photos

October

6th National Poetry Day

10th World Mental Health Day

11th/12th Parents' evenings

14th Behaviour Reward & End of half term

31st Return to school

November

11th Remembrance Day

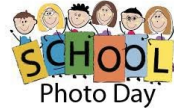
w/c 14th Anti Bullying Week and UK Parliament Week

December

5th Year 5 matinee show 6th evening

12th Year 3 matinee show 13th evening

14th Church visit, Christmas Lunch, Theatre in school



Headteacher's Awards

Orion	8	Pegasus	0
Hydra	1	Leo	0
Columba	3	Volans	2
Andromeda	2	Phoenix	1

Heroes

Orion: Frances Menz
 Pegasus: Thomas Camm
 Hydra: Eva Jones
 Leo: Aarav Patel
 Columba: Macey Dean
 Volans: Sienna Carlton
 Andromeda: Zac Pike
 Phoenix: Isobel Weston
 Forest School: Lyla Kelly

THE SCHOOL'S DIAMOND JUBILEE



Are you a former pupil or do you know someone who is. We would love to hear your memories of the school and share any photos you may have. We want to have a real celebration of our 60 years please join please be a part of whatever we plan.

You can contact us via email at diamondjubilee@bisphamdrive.net