

Autumn
2022

BISPHAM DRIVE JUNIOR SCHOOL

21st Century Learning for the 21st Century Child



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9th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I did intend that last week would be the last full bulletin of the term but it transpires that there is a lot to share with you about our end of term and so I find myself writing again.

I forgot to mention last week, my thanks to parents who were able to come in and see the Cheerleading Club in action. Giving an audience to all of their hard work was wonderful and it was really lovely to see many of you trying out cheerleading for yourselves. Thank you.

This week we also enjoyed the year 3 performance 'It's a Miracle'. The children did so well, their singing and acting was powerful. I know all the family members, who were able to come, really enjoyed the confidence and humour. A great way to get into the Christmas spirit.

Talking of Christmas spirit our visit to the church was very well received by everyone who attended. Children and staff acquitted themselves well in their participation and it was a lovely way to prepare for the Christmas lunch and theatre performance that followed. It's all been about performances as we rounded the week off with a school carol concert where we heard our new school choir and also joined in with some favourite songs.

Finally, as promised, Mrs Doeswijk and Mrs Hollis offer some inspiration for non fiction books you may wish to buy your children. We are passionate about reading and are so happy with the support you give to this. Don't forget Christmas crafts on Monday between 9.10 and 10.30 am.

Andrea Goetzee,

Headteacher

Notices



The Sky Above My Eyes by Charlotte Gullain. A fabulous fold out book that takes you to the galaxy and beyond! Beautifully illustrated by Yuval Zommer. This is a sister book to The Street Beneath my Feet.

The Little People Big Dreams Series by Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara, Lisbeth Kaiser et al. Choose from a variety of people - Stephen Hawking to Marcus Rashford, Frieda Kahlo to Coco Chanel.

Fantastically Great Women That Changed the World by Kate Pankhurst. An inspiring book that looks at famous women in history and how they changed the world.

A Day in the Life of a Caveman, a Queen and Everything Inbetween by Jess Bradley and Mike Barfield. A fantastic history book in cartoon form. Light hearted yet informative!

Great Britons by Imogen Russell Williams. Discover the enthralling and diverse stories of 50 brilliant Britons through the ages, from the warrior queen Boudicca to activist Malala Yousafzai.

How Was That Built? by Roma Agarwal. Discover the ingenious methods engineers have come up with to enable us to build underground, underwater, on ice and even in space. Beautifully illustrated.

Ultimate football heroes by Matt and Tom Oldfield. Set of 10 football heroes to choose from. Pick your favourite.

Amazing Islands: 100+ places that will boggle your mind by Sabrina Weiss. Discover over 100 of the planet's most magical islands, their wildlife, history, diversity, people, cultures, treasures and more in this beautifully illustrated book.

A Fact for Every Day of the Year by National Geographic Kids. A perfect book to entertain kids all year round.

The Guinness Book of Records Always a popular choice with everyone!





Key Dates

December

19th Autumn Term Reading Reward Tea

20th Christmas Party Day (all children to bring in party clothes to change into)

21st Toy Day in school, Behaviour Reward

January

5th Back to school

9th Our first 60th anniversary event

16th and 17th Parents 'meetings

24th - 26th Book Fair in school

30th - 1st February Bikeability in school

February

w/c 6th Children's' Mental Health Awareness Week

7th Safer Internet Day

10th Behaviour Reward Afternoon

10th End of half term



WHEN?

Safer Internet Day takes place every February



Headteacher's Awards

Orion	4	Pegasus	5
Hydra	3	Leo	2
Columba	3	Volans	1
Andromeda	2	Phoenix	12

FOREST SCHOOL

We have set the dates for Forest School sessions for the rest of the year. Please make a note of these. Unforeseen changes will be notified to you using the Weduc system as soon as they are known.

Group 1 weeks commencing

09.01 23.01 06.02 27.02

13.03 24.04 15.05 05.06

03.07

Group 2 weeks commencing

16.01 30.01 20.02 06.03

17.04 01.05 22.05 12.06

10.07

Group 2 in Orion and Phoenix have a catch-up session on

Friday January 6th 2023

THE SCHOOL'S DIAMOND JUBILEE



We are starting to hear from former pupils but would love to hear from more. I will be putting together a podcast of memories past and present to share with you all. If you would like to take part you can contact us via email at diamondjubilée@bispamdrive.net