

Summer
2024

BISPHAM DRIVE JUNIOR SCHOOL

21st Century Learning for the 21st Century Child



May 10th 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

The bank holiday weekend weather turned out much better than forecast after all, I do hope you were able to make the most of it. We've certainly enjoyed the warmer weather this week. I was out with one of the Forest School groups for a short while yesterday and it is clear how everything has started growing now. The rewilding areas and environment areas that the children have created over the last few months are bursting into life and the self seeded trees the groups have spotted and protected are doing well. Our environment pond is also full of life. Literally thousands of tadpoles make the surface look like it is simmering. We have bought parasols for the new picnic benches and will be giving our packed lunch eaters the opportunity to take their lunch outside. This is my favourite time of year and I always remember how lucky we are at Bispham to have our lovely grounds.

Our Year 6 pupils made the most of the grounds today when we gave them a day off timetable. Next week will see the statutory end of key stage national assessments take place. All of them have been working extremely hard to cover the necessary curriculum in time. I and the whole staff are very proud of the way they have applied themselves and they are more than ready to achieve their own personal bests. The children should also be very proud of themselves for their hard work and positive attitude. I am sure you join us in hoping they have a relaxing weekend and come in well rested on Monday to prove again just how fabulous Bispham pupils are.

I hope that you all get to enjoy the lovely weather over the next few days.

Best wishes

Andrea Goetzee,
Headteacher

Notices

BFG Film Night Thursday 16th May until 5.15 pm – The next film night will see us showing Luca (PG). Tickets cost £6.00 and include popcorn, sweets and a drink. You can book through Weduc with a deadline of Tuesday 14th May to allow us to purchase the food and drink.

ACCOUNTANT - The BFG would like to have their accounts reviewed by someone with an accountancy accreditation. If you or someone you know could help please contact either the BFG direct or the school office. Thank you.

Girls' Football Match Bispham v Eskdale Match report

This Thursday, the Bispham Girls Team played Eskdale. It was a tight match with all of our school values shining through. The first goal shocked everyone with Eskdale scoring within the first minute; it made everyone snap into action.

Macey had many great shots but they unfortunately didn't hit the net, Molly's executed an incredible free-kick. Eskdale scored again, but our defence and attitude stayed strong. Incredible efforts were made by Delilah, Ruby and Eva-Lily in defence whilst Jess, Maisie, Lyla and Phoebe took some great runs up the pitch, as well as Ingrid and Isla in goal.

It was a game full of twists and turns with Bispham clawing back the goals. The game finished 3-4 Eskdale but it was a wonderful game and a welcome return to football after such rainy weather!

Written by Macey, Molly and Jess G



Key Dates

May

w/c 13th SATs Week

24th End of half term

June

3rd - 14th Year 4 times tables check

5th Sports afternoon with 6th as back up

20th Banks Road Sports Afternoon here

21st & 24th Inset Days

25th Year 3 visit to Cresswell Crags

28th BFG Summer Fair

July

w/c 1st Year 6 Adventure Week

3rd Class and Team photographs

9th Transition Day

12th Reports Out

17th Optional Parents meetings

22nd Year 6 Matinee Performance

23rd Year 6 Evening Performance

24th Reading Reward Afternoon

24th Year 6 Leavers social event

25th Behaviour Reward Afternoon

26th Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

MAY 2024	
MON MAY 13TH	English Grammar, Punctuation, and Spelling papers 1 + 2
TUES MAY 14TH	English Reading
WED MAY 15TH	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Paper 2 (Reasoning)
THUR MAY 16TH	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)



Headteacher's Awards

Orion

Pegasus **Daveed, Arturo**

Hydra **Frances, Alexander,
Maleah-Mae, Olive, Sammy**

Leo **Elsie**

Columba **Lyla**

Volans **Elizabeth, Aarav, Adam,
Ursula, Farha, Joshua, Tilly**

Andromeda **Cameron**

Phoenix **Molly, Bob**

HEROES

Orion: **Chloe P.**

Pegasus: **Daveed R.**

Hydra: **Sammy B.**

Leo: **Samuel P.**

Columba: **Daniel K.**

Volans: **William E.**

Andromeda: **Jay T.**

Phoenix: **Nyssa C.**

Forest School: **Emily C.**

Helping Children Know What To Do To Stay Safe When Out And About

In the course of managing a mobile phone related issue, it became clear to me that many of the year 6 children I spoke to were unable to recollect what they needed to do if they felt unsafe when playing out without adult supervision. I asked parents to discuss this with children as they best know the places their children go and can offer informed advice. It was suggested that this might be a useful reminder for all parents to check their children know what to do or where to go if they are ever feeling worried away from home. These are always useful conversations.