



**Bodsham Church of England
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In our Worship we have been considering how our school community needs to understand the different types of pride. What would God think of a boastful person? How can you be proud of yourself but humble at the same time?

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A Message from Mr Newton

I spoke with the children this week in worship about how we can be proud of ourselves for the things we achieve, but also how we need to make sure we don't show off or become boastful. This week the Woodpeckers should be proud of themselves for their efforts to raise money to sponsor Pickle the Gibbon at Wingham Wildlife Park. They organised and ran a very successful Animal Fayre on Tuesday which has raised an impressive amount of money. Not only will we be able to sponsor Pickle it looks as if we will be able to take the children to meet him later in the year – well done Woodpeckers, I'm proud of you!



Safer Internet Day 6th February 2018

Next Tuesday is the date for Safer Internet Day across the country. At Bodsham we will be holding a special assembly to remind children of ways to keep safe online and there will be activities in every class. This is a great day to discuss online safety with your children and there are videos and tips for parents on the UK Safer Internet Centre's website: www.saferinternet.org.uk/. A relatively new concern is for children using apps that allow them to broadcast live video of themselves, allowing people to comment in real time on things they are doing, potentially exposing them to manipulative, pressurising and threatening behaviour by people they might meet online. Do you know what your child is doing online? What are your family rules for using the internet?

Year 6 On A Safety Mission

On Friday next week our Year 6 children will be taking part in a Safety in Action Day at the Three Hills Sports Centre. They will be faced with simulated hazards and dangers they might face as they become more independent and prepare for transition to secondary school. There are prizes on offer to the schools that give the best responses to these situations. Good Luck Year 6!

New Reading Records for all

On Monday the children will all bring home a new design of Reading Record. Please use this to record each time you have read with your child. Class Teacher and TA comments will also be recorded here, so that we can celebrate your child's reading achievements in one place. Lots of children have been completing their Reading Challenge sheets and have received Reading Certificates; we love celebrating these in Gold Book.



Next Year's Term Dates Published

Parents who wish to know Bodsham's term dates for the next school year can now find this information on the school website in the parents' section, along with this year's newsletters and information on our proposed after school club for the summer term. www.bodsham.kent.sch.uk/parents/

Reminder – Valentine's Disco and Dress Down Day on Friday

Our PFA are holding a fund raising disco on the last day of term – please pay entrance fees via the PFA placing marked envelopes in the post box on the playground to get your name on the guest list. Children can come to school in their own clothes that day so they are ready to boogie at Evington Hall at 3.45pm. The dancing stops at 5.45pm and helpers who can stay for another 20 minutes to help clear up would be very much appreciated!

Paul Newton

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