Bodsham Church of England Primary School

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"Love you r neighbour as yourself" *Mark 12:31.* In this Christian Aid week, we have been helping the children to think of anyone in need as their neighbour, and understand how they can help to make a difference.

20th May 2022

Jubilee Celebrations Approaching

The Summer term seems to be racing by at an alarming rate! Next week is the last week of Term 5 and we are planning to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on the final day – Friday 27th May. The children are preparing class performances for you as parents which we are hoping to weave into an afternoon of games and picnics! Parents are invited to come along to school at 2pm and bring an afternoon tea for yourselves and your children. It is advisable to bring a picnic blanket or camping chair. You will be able to watch the children taking part in games and races throughout the afternoon, and each class will invite their parents into the hall to perform a song they have learnt for the occasion. At about 3pm we hope to all gather together on the playground to sing under the tree.

To complete the scene, children should dress in red, white and blue and adults are welcome to as well!

Parent Survey Still Open

Thank you to all parents who have completed our online Parent Survey so far. There have been some very honest responses which, I hope, will lead to us improving the way we communicate with you as parents and the support we are able to give to your children. The survey remains open and we'd particularly like to hear from parents of children in Key Stage 2 as we only have 4 responses from Woodpeckers and Owls parents so far. Click here to open the survey.

Attention all Year 5 Parents!

Now is the time your minds will be turning to the Kent Test and applying for a secondary school place for your child in the Autumn. Mrs Allen and myself will be holding meetings for any Year 5 parent who wants to discuss the Kent Test on Thursday 9th June. Please book your slot via the school office if you haven't done so already.

I will also be holding an online briefing to all Year 5 parents on Wednesday 25th May at 6pm where I will outline the whole process of applying for secondary schools and what you need to be thinking about between now and the Autumn. Anyone is welcome to join this meeting by following the link below at 6pm:

Join the Year 5 Secondary School Presentation

Attendance is Important

This school year has been the most normal since 2019 and we are all hugely relieved that Covid-19 is no longer disrupting the children's education in anything like the way it did in the previous two years. However, there are still a lot of children who have missed more than 10% of their time at school this year – usually due to the arrival of coronavirus in their household. This makes it doubly important that children attend school as much as possible, so they have the best chance of catching up lost learning. I am unable to authorise any type of family holiday during term time, and parents risk a Penalty Notice if children incur such unauthorised absences.

Hunting for Bunting – a message from Mrs Baur-Shaw

So the time has finally come for the return of the wonderful Bodsham School summer fair in 2022. Another long standing tradition is the bunting that is displayed at the fair. The Bodsham Family Bunting was born a good few years back now and has been a tradition that is so lovely to continue. Every flag of the bunting has been created by a different family at Bodsham. As the previous mum that passed this tradition onto me said: like birds migrating home, for as long as Bodsham School has families attending, so too will there always be a perch on this string for you and your family!!!!
SO .... Please make your flag over the next month to keep extending this tradition.

1.Two pieces of fabric cut into A4 (portrait) sized triangle.
2.Decorate one (or both) sides with your family name/s, this year's date and perhaps an image that represents you.
3 Previous flags have used fabric pens, glued on decorations, embroidery, applique (felt good for this) etc ... Anything goes.
4.Put into an envelope marked: FAO Baur-Shaw family flags and either track me down (good luck!) Or hand into the school office. Don't give them to my boys or you may find they've fashioned your flag into a natty bandana or worse!!!! (Previous mums words but similar practice from my boys)
5. Come and admire your flag on the bunting string at the Summer Fair this year and ALWAYS!

Thank you
Rosie Baur

Please don't leave children unattended

There have been a number of children waiting at the school gate in the morning without an adult to supervise them. If you arrive before 8:40am, please stay with your child until Mrs Fagg opens the playground gate. There is no adult supervision before school and children are not safe if left unattended. Places are available in our Breakfast Club if you need to leave your child at school before 8:40am.

Folkestone Invicta Football Club YOUTH

Girls Football Open Session
Ages 8-16 - All welcome

This session is to identify players and create new teams for the 2022-2023 Season

Venue: 3G Pitch, Three Hills Sports Park, Folkestone. CT19 5JU

Date & Time:

Sunday 5th June

10:00am to 12:00pm

All coaches are qualified, safeguarded and DBS (CRC) checked

Head Youth Coach: Paul Stanton
0781 843 2444
Enquiries to: Cat Morris
0777 524 3860

Diary Dates

24th June – Day of Pilgrimage and Prayer

2nd July – Summer Fair

12th July – Sports Day - afternoon

21st July – Year 6 Leaver's Service

22nd July – School Closed, Jubilee Holiday

Paul Newton

Executive Head Teacher