



**Bodsham Church of England
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This week we have been talking more about The Lord's Prayer. When we ask God to 'Forgive us our sins' it is important that we understand what we have done that is wrong. Children had the chance to reflect quietly on this and say sorry to God if they wanted.

13th March 2020

Corona Virus Latest

The school continues to monitor the spread of the Covid 19 virus very closely and receives daily updates from the relevant authorities. To date, the risk at Bodsham remains very low and all advice is for our school to continue to operate as usual. We will continue to ensure children wash their hands regularly during the school day and will, of course, keep you informed of any new developments as soon as possible. It is important also that parents keep us informed of any information that should be shared with our community.

A Giant Leap for Bodsham

We were very lucky to have Olympic long jumper, Ezekiel Ewulo, visit our school this week. With his great positive energy, he certainly inspired all of our budding athletes! He began with putting each class through their paces with the sponsored circuits. These high tempo, intensive circuits were certainly hard work but the children loved doing them to the pumping music with lots of happy faces. Ezekiel finished the circuits by challenging the children to fit such exercises in to their weekly routines. Ezekiel then led an inspirational whole school assembly. It was amazing to watch his standing long jump and the children had the chance to ask him lots of questions about his athletic career. The children raised over £700 for Sports for Champions, a proportion of which comes to our school. Look out for Ezekiel in the 2020 Olympics!



Year 5&6 Learning How to Save the Planet

The Owls are currently studying a topic on Earth's resources and are spending time looking at issues like rainforest destruction and energy production. On Wednesday the children were very lucky to be invited to Mrs Leutner's house, which acts as a show home for several types of renewable energy. They saw how solar panels, ground and air source heating and wind energy can all help to generate carbon neutral electricity for a family home. Thank you to the Leutners for allowing us to use their home as a fascinating learning opportunity!

NSPCC PANTS workshops coming up

NSPCC workshops will be running at the school on 17th March. The charity's *Speak out. Stay Safe* programme has been widely praised around the country for teaching children the PANTS rule – helping children stay safe from abuse without using any scary words! There are great resources for parents at www.nspcc.org/pants



Easter Egg Rolling and Egg decorating

On Monday 30th of March it is Bodsham's annual egg rolling and egg decorating competition. All children will need to bring in a plain hard-boiled egg with their name on it for the egg rolling competition, which will take place on the school field at 2:30pm. Families are invited to come and watch and join in the fun; prizes will be given out to the winners. During this event the PTFA Easter hamper raffle will also take place so don't forget to buy your raffle tickets to be in with a chance to win one of seven beautiful Easter hampers. There will also be refreshments for sale so please do bring your reusable hot drinks cups. Also taking place that day will be the egg decorating competition. All children are invited to decorate an egg to enter (it can be a real hard-boiled egg, an egg you've blown, or even a cardboard egg). The eggs will be displayed in the hall to view during this event and will be independently judged with winners being chosen for their creativity and originality. Previous years have seen some amazing designs and we can't wait to see what the children come up with this year.



Interested in a football trial?

Ashford Schools Football Association are looking for players to trial for next year's teams: girls U11&U13, boys U11-U15. This is an amazing opportunity for district representation and this is in addition to their current teams not instead of. If you would like your child to be considered, please click the link below and fill out the google docs form. Trials will be held in the coming weeks so please keep your eyes on your inbox for an invite email. The link for the google docs page is <https://forms.gle/ujURG86VtJLAtaG16> If you have any questions or queries please speak to your schools sports teacher or please call Adam Ransley directly on 07960015616.



Please help us

There have been a number of occasions recently when children have been not been collected on time after school or from clubs. It is very difficult for staff to supervise children at these times, as it can mean they need to miss meetings or after school training. Please ensure your children are collected at 3.30pm when school ends – thank you!



World Book Day

As usual there was a fantastic response to World Book Day from Bodsham children (and staff). It was lovely to see outfits based on such a wide range of great books. Each class enjoyed some special reading activities on the day!



Yours Sincerely
Paul Newton
 Executive Head Teacher

DIARY

DATE	DIARY INFORMATION
Tuesday 17 th March	Piano and guitar lessons
Tuesday 17 th March	NSPCC visit to school
Friday 20 th March	2.15pm Spring sing Elmsted Church
Friday 20 th March	PFA – Quiz Evington Hall 7pm for 7.30pm start
Monday 23 rd March	NO STUDY CLUB
Monday 23 rd March	Parents evening Years 1,2,3,4,5,6
Wednesday 25 th March	Parents evening Years R,1,2,3,4,5,6
Wednesday 25 th March	Last Elite multi-sports club
Thursday 26 th March	Last Elite football club
Friday 27 th March	Dress down day for £1 contribution to PFA funds
Monday 30 th April	NO AFTER SCHOOL TEACHER RUN CLUBS THIS WEEK
Monday 30 th March	Egg rolling competition
Monday 30 th March	3.30pm Messy Church
Tuesday 31 st March	Last Elite gymnastics club
Wednesday 1 st April	2.15pm Easter Church service Hastingleigh
	EASTER HOLIDAYS 2 – 17 April
Monday 20 th April	Children return to school
Monday 20 th April	Woodpeckers class swimming lessons start (1)
Friday 24 th April	School nurses to see Year 6 Lancaster Model HAPI Questionnaire
Saturday 2 nd May	Beautiful Bodsham tidy up
Friday 8th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Monday 18 th May	Messy Church
Tuesday 19 th May	3.30pm – 4pm Drop in zone
Wednesday 20 th May	Woodpeckers trip
Friday 22 nd May	Dress down day for £1 contribution to PFA funds
Friday 22 nd May	Break up 3.30pm
Sunday 24 th May	Elmsted Church lunches and teas
	HALF TERM 25 – 29 May
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school
Thursday 18 th June	3pm Robins class assembly
Wednesday 24 th June	Sports day
Wednesday 1 st July	RESERVE Sports day
Wednesday 8 th July	9am Butterflies class assembly
Saturday 11 th July	Summer fair
Friday 17 th July	Dress down day for £1 contribution to PFA funds
Wednesday 22 nd July	Break up

