

18th October 2019

Half Term

It has been a brilliant first half term at Buckfastleigh Primary School and one which I have thoroughly enjoyed. The children have been fantastic and I want to thank you for the many positive conversations I have had with parents around school. I hope you and your children enjoy a great two-week holiday.

Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service was fantastic! Well done to all the children in every year group who took part. I felt very proud to see them singing in the church as a school family together. Thank you to all the parents and family members who came along to support and also to everyone who donated to the foodbank. I hope you enjoyed it as much as we all did.



Athlete in School

David Hill, a disabled athlete, visited school last Friday and ran activities with all the children. It was a very successful morning organised by Craig Irons which raised funds towards school sports equipment. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the sponsorship and well done to Sam Roberts for supporting a proper football team!



Playtimes

Playtimes and lunchtimes changed on Thursday and Friday this week. Children now have access to both playgrounds and lunchtime is 12-1pm for all children. It was lovely to see the older and younger children playing together. I felt really proud to see how well the children responded to the change and adjusted quickly to the new routine.

The aim of this is to get a better variety of play opportunities for the children. Siblings will also be able to play with each other. We hope that as this develops, we will be able to introduce new and exciting ideas onto the playground to enhance the children's experiences.



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Secondary Applications Deadline

A reminder from the admissions team to all primary schools to ensure their year 6 children make an application for Secondary school before the 31 October deadline.

Further information can be found at:

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login

Parent Meetings

This has been a busy week of meetings between parents and class teachers. It was good to see so many of you in school finding out how your child has been getting on. If you were not able to attend, speak to your child's class teacher after half term to arrange an appointment.

Music Lessons

Petya Halse is our current music teacher. She is able to offer music lessons in school and currently has spaces for recorder, flute and saxophone tuition. There are usually 10 lessons per term at the following prices:

- Single 20min lesson = £9
- Shared 20min lesson = £5 .

Spanish Club at School

We are delighted to announce Kidslingo will continue running two Spanish lunch clubs on Thursday for KS1 and KS2 from 4th November for the remainder of the Autumn term. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. To register your child, please go to the following link and select Buckfastleigh Primary School and click on enrol

now: <https://www.kidslingo.co.uk/area/teignbridge-s-hams-torbay/>

If you have any questions please contact Patty on: 07813 272979 or patty.rojas@kidslingo.co.uk

Spanish Club at School

Andy Stokes, the chair of the town council, would like to invite staff and parents from the school to a community engagement event coming up on the 30th October in the Town Hall at 7pm. It is the annual participatory workshop where they update residents on what they have done over the past year and ask for their help in planning the coming one.

HAVE A GREAT HALF TERM!

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