



## BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*Be kind, be honest and have courage to live 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)*

Friday 3/11/2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely, restful half term. Despite the very wet, windy weather it has been lovely to see how eager the children have been to return to school. Our year 6 children have had their year 6 residential this week, down in Swanage. They have had such a fantastic time - a huge thank you to Mrs Warner, Mrs Ashe, Miss Stafford, Mr Whitehead and Mrs Quinn, who have given up their own time away from their own families to give our children some amazing opportunities and experiences.

We would like to change the times gates open onto our main playground at the end of the day, so that children can continue to be outside safely for as long as possible. From Monday, the gates will be opening just before 3:10pm. We will monitor this over the next term.

We have now signed up to something called Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL), which will change the way we run our playtimes and lunchtimes. If anybody has any old sinks and/or would be able to help with the large making of a mud kitchen within the courtyard area, please do get in touch.

We have started to map out our trips, experiences and parental engagement for the year. Please see link to our website [Curriculum Enrichment - Bishop Loveday CofE Primary \(bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk\)](https://bishop-loveday.oxon.sch.uk). We are continually looking to increase experiences (with help from our Courageous Advocate Team), while being mindful of the cost, and will add to this grid as the year progresses.

Have a lovely fireworks weekend and stay safe 😊

Best Wishes,

Dee Loader

Head of School

**THIS WEEK...**  
**Important Dates**  
**Our Week of Learning**  
**Awards**  
**Sports**  
**FoBLS**  
**Other**

## Important Dates:

<b>NOVEMBER 2023</b>	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccination
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> November @ 3:00	Remembrance Service – Bodicote Church
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November @ 2:30	<b>Any Parent of a Preschool Child</b> – to celebrate World Nursery Rhyme Week –Parents and Preschool children are able to attend a Funky Pants Session (Music and Dance) in the School Hall £2 pay on the door.
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening – Details will follow on Tuesday
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening – Details will follow on Tuesday
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening – Details will follow on Tuesday
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>(All)</b> Children in Need Day – Wear Spotty Non- Uniform £1 donation
<b>DECEMBER 2023</b>	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December @ 12:00-2:00	FOBLS Winter Fair
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2:15pm	<b>KS1</b> Christmas Play – School Hall <b>For the parents/ carers of 1CW and 2PS</b>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2:15pm	<b>KS1</b> Christmas Play – School Hall <b>For the parents/ carers of 1TS and 2LH</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>(All)</b> Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>(All)</b> Secret Santa – Bring in your gift
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December @ 5:30	Carols By Candlelight – Bodicote Church
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2:15pm	<b>Early Years</b> Christmas Play – School Hall
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December @ 2:15	<b>Year 3</b> Christmas Singing and Craft Activity – School Hall
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Term 2 Finish (After school and Wac to continue as normal)
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December</b>	<b>School Closed for Christmas Break</b>
<b>January 2024</b>	
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Inset Day – No Children in School</b>
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>School Reopens for Term 3</b>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>(Early Years &amp; Year 6)</b> National Childhood Measuring Program to visit school to weigh and measure children in Early Years and Year 6 – More information to follow

## Our Week of Learning:

**Early Years** have been talking about birthdays and what month our birthday is in. We had a birthday party where we made jam sandwiches and played party games which included musical statues and musical chairs. We have continued to do well learning our phonics.

**Year 1** have had a great start to term 2! Both classes have walked into Bodicote village to look for physical and human features as part of our Geography learning. In science we have been thinking about the various changes that happen outside as winter begins, and how we keep ourselves warm. We have been learning about 'whole' and 'part' in maths this week and the children have used the part-whole model with counters to explore this idea.

**Year 2** were introduced to a mean, old Grandma in our new text- 'George's Marvellous Medicine'. We learned about the features of a character description and thought about what we had learned about George's Grandma. She was not very nice at all! We will be writing our own description of her very soon. In maths we have been adding and

subtracting using dienes and in RE we were introduced to our new Big Question- Why is Christmas important to Christians?

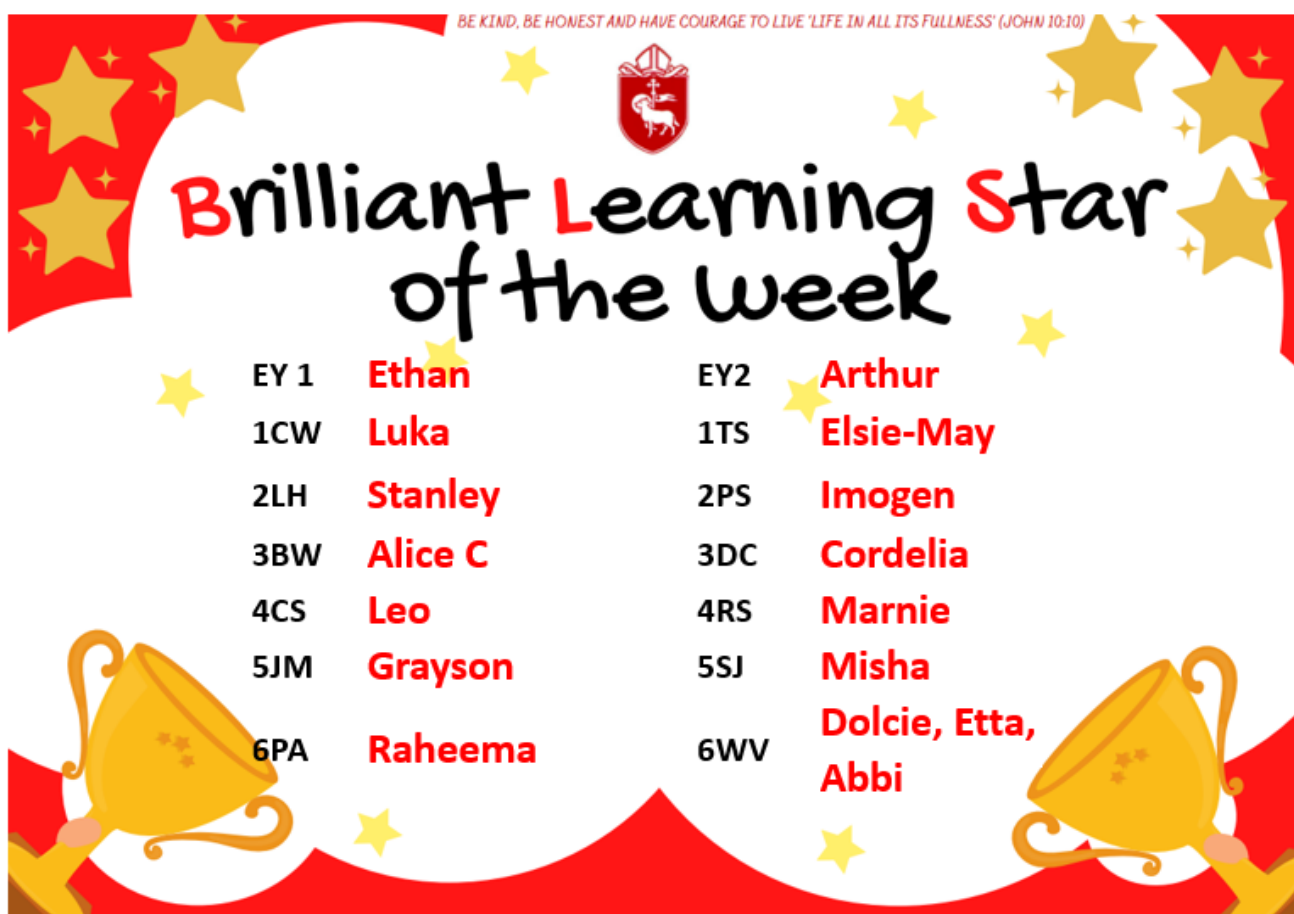
**Year 3** children have had fun thinking of yes/no questions as the starter of their new ICT unit 'Branching databases' and have realised it is not as easy as it sounds! We have all loved our poetry focus this week based on our class text of The Iron Man by Ted Hughs. The children have had a lot of fun playing with alliteration, repetition and rhythm in preparation for writing their own poems next week.

**Year 4** have been investigating light by using dark boxes and trying to guess what they contain. They have learned that light is a bright form of energy and that darkness is the absence of light.

**Year 5** have enjoyed using their new sketchbooks to explore different ways marks can be made using drawing tools. In science, they have started to make parachutes to build on their understanding of air resistance and will be continuing with their investigation on Monday. Next week, they will starting a new maths unit of 'Multiplication and Division'.

**Year 6** have had a fabulous week in Swanage. They have been completing activities such as axe throwing, circus activities, high ropes and trips to the Tank museum and the beach.

### Brilliant Learning Star of the Week:



## Bronze Award:



**BISHOP LOVEDAY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# BRONZE AWARD

**PROUDLY PRESENTED TO :**

**Gabija G, Betty D, Fearne P**

**In recognition of you achieving 50 gold  
stickers and demonstrating brilliant  
learning behaviour**

**MRS LOADER**

03/11/2023

**DATE**

*BE KIND, BE HONEST AND HAVE COURAGE TO LIVE 'LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS' (JOHN 10:10)*



**House Points:** This weeks winner is..... **SUN**

FOREST 'Thunberg'	WATERFALL 'Rashford'	SUN 'Mercury'	ICE 'Ayling-Ellis'	OCEANS 'Daley'	FIRE 'Malala'
53	42	73	72	51	56

This Week's  
Winner

## Awards:

**Maisie R (4CS)** – Received I.D.T.A plaques in Cheer Technique and a Freestyle award. She also received a Rosette Award in gymnastics and a plaque for Cheer Technique at The Julie Bruce Dance/ Drama Academy/ The School for the Stars.

**Jacob F (EY)** – Won Player of the Week at Rugby on Sunday. He won a trophy and a certificate.

**Ryan M (4CS)** – Received Stage 3 with Swim England's Learn to Swim.

**Isla S (EY)** – Received her Pre-Juvenile ballet award with The Julie Bruce Dance/ Drama Academy

**Jacob F (EY)** – Won a Star of the Day award/ certificate when he was camp during half term. He was given it for 'listening the first time'.

**Felicity N (3BW)** - Achieved the Cherwell Theatre Club Drama Star award.

**Phoebe N (1TS)** - Achieved her Silver Rainbows section award.

**Eira H (5JM)** – Completed The Witching Hour and gained a diploma from the Magic Alley Detective Agency.

**Stanley D (2LH)** – Received Bronze in Street Dance with the Sharon Green Academy of Theatre and Dance.

**Benjamin G (1TS)** – Received a Try-Athlon certificate for Rugby Tots for being a part of the event and raising funds for Wood Spoon.

**HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL! YOU ARE FANTASTIC!**

## Sports:

There was a BGN tournament yesterday for Year 5 girls. They worked extremely hard and showed fantastic team work whilst playing their games. They also demonstrated kindness by congratulating the other teams after a match.





**Swimming Lessons** Congratulations to the following for achieving your School Swimming Distance Awards this week...



**25 Meters:** Louie K, Erin L, Amelia S

## FOBLS:

Welcome back to a fun filled, packed, term of lovely FoBLS events. All events are loaded on parent pay so please visit the site for further details.

TT Rock Star Day raised an amazing £274.55 a huge thank you to everyone who took part.

We're looking forward to welcoming you all at the **Winter Fair on Sunday 3 December, 12 - 2pm**

We'd be extremely grateful of **ANY** kind of chocolate donations (big or small) for the chocolate tombola stall at the fair which is always a great success. Please pass all donations to your class Teachers / TA's.

The raffle at the fair has some truly **AMAZING** prizes this year, but we'd be delighted to offer more. If you work at a small business and wish to make a contribution to the raffle please email [fobls@outlook.com](mailto:fobls@outlook.com) or drop off your raffle prize at school reception.

We still have availability for stall holders so if you know if any local businesses who'd be interested please email [fobls@outlook.com](mailto:fobls@outlook.com) for further details.

The next Winter Fair meeting is being held on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 7:30** at the Horse and Jockey pub in Bodicote.



# Jumble Sale Collection



Donations collected on the  
school playground Tues 21st,  
Thurs 23rd, Tues 28th & Thurs  
30th Nov by the garage/mural

We will be accepting  
donations of toys, bric a brac  
etc. Unfortunately we can't  
accept donations of DVD's,  
CD's, duvets or well used  
clothes



Bishop Loveday School

FoBI s registered charity no: 1018847

## Funky Pants:

Monday 13th November  
2.30pm in the school hall



To celebrate the start of World Nursery Rhyme  
Week, we are holding a special Funkypants  
music and rhyme session for all preschool  
aged children (0-4yrs) and their Parents,  
Carers, Grandparents and Childminders



£2 per child  
Please pay at the Community  
Door