

# BCS NEWS

19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

*Fulfilling our potential, achieving excellence together  
We are a Good school with Outstanding Early Years Provision*

## Head's News

As the sunshine has warmed the air and the sky has been blue, the outside spaces at school have come to life. On the Key Stage 2 playground, PE has moved from the hall to the fresh air, the playground is covered in chalk art and our log circle is a hub of activity. On the Key Stage 1 playground, our Early Years children are enjoying their time playing with the children in year 1 and 2 at lunchtimes. Our Year 5 play leaders keep the younger children active and engaged in playground games such as skipping and hula hooping. The addition of LoLo balls this week brought extra playtime excitement as children have persevered to be able to bounce and balance without any help. Playtimes provide the children with the chance to nurture friendships, develop their gross and fine motor skills, be imaginative and creative with their own play and try out new games which are carefully set up by play leaders across the school. For the staff it is a chance to engage with the children outside the classroom and support them developing a different set of skills and knowledge; every minute at school an opportunity to nurture our compassionate, honest and wise pupils.



### Visitors

Throughout the week some children across the school have the opportunity to meet visitors around the school. These are families looking around the school with a view to applying for a place, teachers who come to experience how we teach at Bishop Chavasse and other professionals who are learning about education. What is so heartwarming is how welcoming our pupils are to these visitors; they welcome them at the classroom door, greet them in the hallway and share their learning under the guidance of our staff. Every visitor I have had at school recently has commented on the warm, gentle and welcoming feel the school has to it and how polite and hardworking our pupils are. It is such a privilege to know that our school family is being recognised so positively by those from the wider community.



Dear children, let us not love with words or speech  
but with actions and in truth.  
1 John 3:18

Our value this month is **honesty**

## Key Dates

**29<sup>th</sup> May – 2<sup>nd</sup> June**  
Half term

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June**  
Start of Term 6

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June**  
3.15pm Ightham House  
cake sale

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**  
3.15pm Chartwell House  
cake sale

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June**  
FOBCSA Icepole Friday

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July**  
1.30pm Bishop  
Chavasse's Got Talent  
competition

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July**  
**FOBCSA Summer Fair**

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July**  
Sports week (PE kit  
every day)

**Weds 19<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Sports Day**  
EY and KS1: morning  
12 noon: picnic  
KS2: afternoon

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**  
Last day of term

ALL [TERM DATES](#) FOR  
2022-24 ARE ON THE  
WEBSITE



### Driving and parking

We are receiving a growing number of calls from residents about parents and carers driving and parking around the school site. Please ensure you adhere to all parking restrictions and rules to ensure residents can drive in and out of their roads safely, are not blocked in and that they do not come home to find cars belonging to our parents in their driveways. As a school, we are acutely aware that there is limited parking on site and that the road leading to school can become congested. We are working with KCC to find a more practical solution which will alleviate these issues, but processes and change can take time. While we wait for this, it is imperative, for the safety of everyone, that parking and driving rules are strictly adhered to. In order to alleviate congestion, please ensure you leave the car park as soon as you have collected your child/children at the end of the day, or dropped them off in the morning.

### Safety of children

We consider ourselves to be a safe school with many protocols in place to keep your children safe once they come in through the EYFS, KS1 or KS2 gates in the morning. We are finding a growing number of parents are dropping children off at the main gate and allowing them to walk to their respective Key Stage gate. We must make it clear that your children remain your responsibility until they walk through their designated gate. Our car park is becoming increasingly busy at drop off and pick up times and we do not have staff patrolling the car park. Please therefore ensure that if you are dropping your children off at school, that you accompany them to the key stage gate.

### Year 4 and 5 Maths Challenges



Four children from Year 4 and 5 were chosen to complete in the Somerhill Maths challenge. The children all had a wonderful afternoon and completed lots of different challenges against other schools.

Some of the year 4 children said: "I liked the competition because we got to do fun and exciting activities which were equations and puzzles. I enjoyed the bit where we had to sort the dominoes on a piece of paper and then we had to find two numbers to make one number. I also enjoyed the bit where the man showed us that when you cut a circle in half, you don't always get two pieces."

In Year 5, the children commented on their challenges: "we had to complete lots of different challenges, one of them included our times tables, we had to figure out certain people's destinations. Another challenge we had to figure out was how someone travelled along a certain route to reach a specific number of kilometres. Overall we had a really enjoyable day."

Well done to all Year 4 and 5 who completed in the challenges.



### Attendance figures

This week's attendance winners are **Squirrels** with 99.3% - the biggest cheer of the term so far rang out round the hall when the winners were announced! In second place are 2S with 98.1% and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place 5C with 97.6%.

## Sports Week 2023

A full exciting week of sporting activities will take place from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July. **Sports Day 2023 will take place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July** with EYFS/KS1 in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. As with last year parents are invited to stay for part of the day or the whole day and can enjoy a picnic lunch with their child at lunch time. Children will need to bring/wear their sports PE kit every day from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July so they can take part in the various activities that will be happening each day.

## Bookings for Enrichment clubs

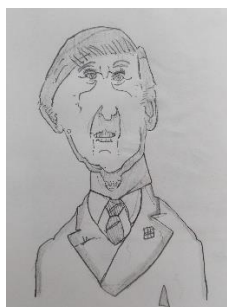
Bookings for Term 6's enrichment clubs will open on Arbor at **6pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**. We have another great timetable lined up.

### Term 6 Enrichment Clubs: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Board Games</b> All years Miss Bryant 16 places	<b>Art Club</b> EYFS – Yr 2 Miss Cane 15 places	<b>Art Club</b> Yr 3 - Yr 5 Mrs Shearman 15 places	<b>Les Puces French Club</b> All years External provider - see flyer	<b>Wellbeing Club</b> All years Miss Fielder 20 places	<b>Gardening/Eco Club</b> Yr 2 - Yr 5 Miss Cottee 25 places	<b>Active Agility Hour</b> (agility, balance and coordination) EYFS – Yr 2 State Sports 20 places See flyer for details
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Science club</b> All years Miss Bryant 25 places	<b>Famous Faces of History</b> All years Miss Fielder 20 places	<b>Water Colour painting</b> All years Mrs Shearman 20 places	<b>Boxing Club</b> EYFS - Yr 2 Olympia Boxing 16 places	<b>Arts &amp; Craft</b> All years Miss Cottee 25 places		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Computing</b> EYFS – Yr 2 Miss Fielder 15 places	<b>Construction Club</b> (Lego) All years Miss Cane 25 places	<b>Fun Football</b> Yr 3 - Yr 5 State Sports 25 places	<b>Chess club</b> Yrs 1-5 Miss Bryant 20 places	<b>Dance Club</b> All years Charlotte Hull 30 places External provider - see flyer		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Dodgeball</b> State Sports All years 20 places External provider - see flyer	<b>Worship Club</b> Miss Fielder All years 20 places	<b>Les Puces French Club</b> EYFS – Yr 5 External provider - see flyer	<b>Boxing Club</b> Yr 3 – Yr 5 Olympia Boxing 16 places	<b>Cooking Club</b> Yr 1 - Yr 5 Miss Cottee 20 places	<b>Minecraft</b> All years Mrs Armstrong 20 places External provider - see flyer	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Sewing Club</b> Yr 1 - 5 Miss Cane 20 places	<b>Film Club</b> All years Miss Cottee 25 places	<b>Around the world</b> (learning about different cultures) All years Miss Fielder 20 places				

Bookings for the external clubs – Dance, Dodgeball, Football, Active Agility Hour, French or Minecraft – will open **this evening at 6pm**. Please email or book with the club provider directly:

- Active Agility Hour (Monday EYFS and KS1) - [STATE SPORT - Bookings](#)
- Fun Football (Weds Yr 3-5) - [STATE SPORT - Bookings](#)
- Dance club (Weds all years) - [charlottehulldance@gmail.com](mailto:charlottehulldance@gmail.com) - please note no dance club on 19th July
- Dodgeball (Thurs all years) - [STATE SPORT - Bookings](#)
- Les Puces French club (Thurs EYFS - Yr 5) - [www.lespuces.co.uk](http://www.lespuces.co.uk)
- Minecraft (Thurs all years) - [www.milittlepad.co.uk](http://www.milittlepad.co.uk)



Year 5 portraits of King Charles III

## KS1 news

### Year 1

In Year 1 this week we have been exploring and developing our adventurous language. We have been reading "The Snail and the Whale" which has some amazing descriptive language to describe the story and we have been attempting to write our own descriptions. Our focus this week has been on verbs and their suffix endings. We have been learning about past and present tense verbs and how the suffix changes their meaning.

In Maths, we have been continuing our multiplication skills by learning about equal groups. We can now recognise and draw equal groups. We have been learning about arrays and how these are a different way to show equal



groups of a specific amount. Through our Maths, we have learnt about rows and columns.

In Outdoor Learning, we had great fun enjoying the sunshine and being scientists. We played team building games and dissected flowers, reinforcing our understanding of the different parts of a plant.



### Year 2

We are extremely proud of Year 2 this week. We try to keep these very low key but we would like to celebrate that our Year 2 children have been completing our special assessment quizzes (SATs). They have completed reading papers, maths as well as spelling, punctuation and grammar papers. The children have shown incredible determination, perseverance and resilience and we are incredibly proud of them. On Friday, we have had a special treat afternoon: decorating biscuits and having a little tea party.

Further to their special quizzes, they have written a fantastic version of a familiar fairytale using some fantastic vocabulary and a variety of sentence types. Some children made Little Red Riding Hood have a more spooky feel, some children changed the characters of the three little pigs and we even had Goldilocks and the three lions!

In the afternoons, we have been continuing with our foundation subjects. The children have been creating music using computer software. The children had to input different instruments, building the texture and choosing the correct tempo to create a version of twinkle, twinkle, little star. 2S had a fantastic outdoor learning lesson and have planted some sunflowers donated by Mr Scott (Miss Scott's father). We will look forward to watching these grow over the summer term.

During our break times, we have been developing our team building skills. Through trial and error, we have been persevering at balancing on some of our new playground equipment. At first, we needed our friends to support us, but by the end of the week we were bouncing around the playground without any help.



## FOBCSA update

Thank you everybody for your donations at the gate this morning for our Own Clothes Day ahead of our 'Runaway Mummas' FOBCSA sponsored walk on Sunday - raising money for KS1 playground equipment and new gazebos to provide shade in the summer. We raised £267.23 on the gate – together with our JustGiving page we are up to a total of £550! If you didn't manage to pop some coins in the buckets there's still time to sponsor us via our [JustGiving](#) page.

We are gearing up to welcome the families of September's new reception children with second hand uniform sales at the Welcome Meeting after half term and storytimes when the children come in to experience school for the first time. We would love any donations of pre-loved uniform for ages 3-4 and 4-5 (that hasn't shrunk in the tumble drier!) – please pop them into the office.



Last chance to volunteer for our summer fair – planning will kick into gear after half term as we aim to make it our best yet!