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*Believe in ourselves; be the best we can be*

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## Newsletter- 28.1.22

### Non-Pupil Day

I just wanted to remind you about the non-pupil day on **Monday the 28th February**. This is marked on the calendar on our website/app but I fully appreciate you are all busy people! Please consider your childcare for the first Monday after half term. The children will be back with us on Tuesday 1st March for the start of Spring 2. Some of these dates can also be found at the end of this newsletter.

### Governor Parent Survey

Our Governors received a good response to the survey that was recently sent out. We would like to thank you for your support. They will be in contact soon with some feedback from what was said. We very much appreciate you taking the opportunity to share your thoughts about our school.

### Preschool Update

Welcome back everyone! I would firstly like introduce our new colleague, Jade Harvey. Jade is a qualified childcare practitioner and is already proving herself to be an invaluable member of our team.

Over the past few weeks the children have been settling back or settling into preschool. We have been using a variety of ways to demonstrate our mark making and number skills as well as getting to know our new children. **Yeash Burkill- Preschool Lead**



## Free Parent/Carer Courses

The National Autistic Society is offering free courses for parents and carers, which will be delivered by specialist teachers from the Babcock Communication and Interaction Team. The sessions are for parents of children who have a diagnosis of autism. It includes information on post-pandemic recovery support.

Each course includes an online, interactive 2-hour session, at the same time each week, for 6 weeks in total.

Please see the link below for further information, including the course requirements, or contact Mrs Kay for more information (sendco@bishopschool.co.uk).

<https://www.autism.org.uk/what-we-do/support-in-the-community/family-support>

## Pupil Voice

We have been thinking about what it means to be a good citizen. I explained in our assembly that one of our roles in school is to support our children to become 'responsible and educated citizens' and so we have been discussing the qualities that help us to do this. We started by thinking about having good manners. In school we have noticed a big difference in how the children are interacting with adults as a result of some of the things that were highlighted. Have you noticed a change at home?

This week we focused on the qualities of honesty and integrity. The reflections were again superb! They show what wonderful young people we have at our school that we have the pleasure of spending time with every day.

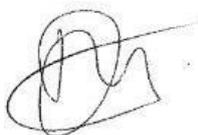
***'It is important to do the right thing as it makes you a better person. When you show integrity, kindness will always return to you.'* Natalie- Y4**

***'It is important to do the right thing even when nobody else is watching because if we all show integrity then the world will be a fair and honest place.'* Mae- Y2**

***'Children are liked when they are honest because they will be trusted in situations and adults will know that you won't be unkind to anyone. It is important to show integrity, especially when nobody's looking, because it shows that you are a good citizen and make the right choices and it will make you feel good inside knowing you can do that and be helpful to others.'* Lola- Y6**

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



**Dave Killoran**  
**(Headteacher)**

## **FUTURE DATES FOR THE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	Last Day of Spring 1
<b>21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	Half Term
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	Non-Pupil Day
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022</b>	First Day of Spring 2
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022</b>	Queen's Jubilee- day in lieu