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Believe in ourselves, be the best we can be

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Christmas Celebrations

What a wonderfully special time it has been once again with all our Christmas performances, celebrations, and parent events! Parents and carers of children in our preschool and school have been treated to a range of lovely experiences and our children have absolutely loved every moment. We hope you're now feeling well and truly Christmassy and ready to enjoy some special time with your families over the Christmas break.



A message from our local library

Devon County Council has launched a 12-week consultation on the future of Devon's much-loved libraries. Financial pressures, alongside the way people use Council services, are driving this consultation. Libraries Unlimited are commissioned to run the libraries by the council. We have been using our charitable reserves over the last few years to plug funding gaps, but we can no longer continue to do this.

You can find out more and share your views at- <https://devon.cc/your-libraries>
Children and young people are invited to take part here-
<https://devonlibraries.commonplace.is/en-GB/proposals/v3/children-and-young-people-survey?step=step1>

The consultation runs until 22nd February 2026. Reading is very important to us as a school and it would be a great loss if our libraries closed.

Promotional Video

I am sure many of you will have now seen our promotional video. We are so proud of the final outcome and feel that it truly reflects the values of our school and what we see every day working alongside your wonderful children. Whilst filming for the video, Keith Guppy had a unique insight into life at Bishop and I wanted to share what he wrote-

***'I've just finished a little project, and it's been amazing to see the school in action behind the scenes — something most parents never get to see. I wanted to make this film to show just how loving, nurturing and truly wonderful the school is. They do so much for the children every single day and it really shines through.'* Keith Guppy**

FOBS Support

We'd like to once again recognise our wonderful FOBS team for their fantastic efforts this term! From another successful cake donation day to the triumph of Elfridges- and of course, the amazing Christmas Fayre- the team has been busily raising funds for our school while giving our children some truly special experiences.



We're thrilled to share that the Christmas Fayre raised an INCREDIBLE £1,701.04! Considering the weather on the night, this achievement is even more impressive. A huge thank you to our FOBS team for their hard work and to everyone who contributed through donations, volunteering, and kindness on the evening.

Preschool Update

The Preschool children have been feeling festive and are counting down the days until the Christmas break. We have been busy creating beautiful Christmas cards and sparkling decorations to take home at the end of term. The Preschool team would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Christie Tribble- Supervisor



Pupil Voice

I showed the children our new promotional video. They LOVED seeing themselves as the new film stars! A theme of the video was the children talking about why they like Bishopsteignton Primary School and I asked them the same question at the end of the assembly. I wanted to share some of their responses with you.

‘It’s a great place, I really like it and I get to see my friends.’ George- Explorers

‘I love every little thing about Bishop, but if I had to pick one I would pick the greenery because it is so calm and it brightens up my day when I walk in to school and am surrounded by it all. I also love all the teachers and I am so grateful for them; they help us every day and they create activities for us in their own time. Without them the school just wouldn’t be the same, so thank you.’ Claudia- Y5

‘Personally, I love everything about Bishop but if I HAD to choose one thing I would choose the amazing experiences we get such as residentials, fundraising activities, trips, productions and evening things like going on the field at lunch time! I honestly love Bishop and if I was to go to another school I just wouldn’t be as happy!’ Layla- Y5

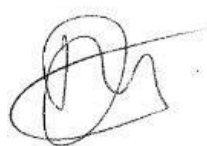
‘I love doing music and we sing and then we dance and we play drums.’ Nia- Y1

‘I think the best thing about Bishopsteignton is the teachers because they are always really kind and helpful. Also, the Rainbow Room because it helps me to calm down and talk about things that I worry about so I stop worrying about them.’ Cleo- Y4

‘I think the best thing about Bishopsteignton is that the teachers are always there for you and I love that. They are always a puzzle piece of my life.’ Orlagh- Y4

Thank you for your ongoing support. Wishing you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a happy, peaceful New Year from everyone at Bishopsteignton Primary and Preschool.

Kind regards,



Dave Killoran
(Headteacher)



FUTURE DATES

Monday 5th January	Preschool children back- NOT primary School
Tuesday 6th January	Start of Spring Term for Primary School children
16th-20th February	Spring Half Term

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