



Bottisham CPS Newsletter 13.10.23



1 - Headteacher Update

Dear All

I attended the PTA AGM this week, and it was lovely to hear about the support they received from you all and incredible amount of amount of money they raised last year. I shared ideas with them of

how their fundraising could be used this year for our pupils and ensure that they continue to experience many different positive things moving forward. We also talked about the value of coming together as a community also and requesting for more volunteers, even if you can only help for one event in a year.

We have been reviewing standards of behaviour in school, and in general things are very positive, but when things do go wrong, we feel staff are confidently following things up well with pupils and try to help repair any relationships. Our current focus is ensuring pupils look after their property, and that of others in the cloakroom, and ensuring they move sensibly around the school at all times. It's great to see pupils keen to get into class...but we are insisting they walk down the corridors. If you could kindly reinforce these two messages with your child that will be very much appreciated.

If sport is your thing I hope you enjoy all the sporting action going on this weekend, and I will be hoping the home nations can do well in the men's rugby world cup. Perhaps you might get the chance to sit down and watch these games on this weekend with your children...On a personal note, I am off to see my home town team, Barrow AFC, who are playing at the MK Dons on Saturday. We are very much the underdogs, but I have my fingers crossed and you never know what might happen.

Whatever you get up to this weekend, and then over the half term week when it comes, I hope you enjoy some quality family time together.

Mr Askew



2 - PTA School Disco on Wednesday 18th October

The PTA have arranged for a school disco to be held next **Wednesday**. The original date unfortunately needed to be changed due to securing a DJ for this event.

For Reception and KS1 pupils, the disco will be between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm

For KS2 pupils it will be between 6:15 pm and 7:15 pm

Please drop off your child at the main entrance, where your child's name will be ticked off the PTA list. Collect your child by coming through the main entrance into the hall, where children will be sat in classes with their coats, and staff and the PTA members will hand each child over to you before exiting through the back of the hall and out onto the playground.

The cost will be £5 per child.

For further information please speak to the PTA

Year 1 and 2 pupils visit to Hunstanton Sealife Centre







3 - School Attendance

As you know, the last few years has seen many disruptions to pupils' learning through covid. The government are having a focus on schools, and ensuring that the attendance of pupils is tracked closely. We recognise you already know how important it is for your child to attend every day and we want you to know that we will be having a supportive culture with you to make sure every child attends for at least 95% of the time. We recognise that there will be illness sometimes, but can we remind parents/carers that any other absence from school must be for exceptional circumstances only. There is information on the school website with a form for parents to request any absence. Thank you for your support with this.