



# Bottisham CPS Newsletter 22.03.24



*1 - Headteacher Update*

Dear All

The spring term is coming to an end, and we are all very much looking forward to the Easter break. As I'm writing this newsletter, I have been reflecting on all the different experiences the pupils have gained this term, reminding me how important school is in a young person's life.

It has been a tricky term with sickness for both pupils and staff, and as you will have seen recently we have been managing a number of scarlet fever cases. Please follow the guidance we shared with you earlier in the week and keep an eye open for any signs or symptoms. We have already deep cleaned the classrooms this week and promoting hand hygiene. The Easter break is coming at a good time also to stop the spread.

We had a very successful residential visit to Grafham Water. The pupils behaviour and attitude was first class throughout the stay, and many memories were made. I am not just referring to the coach driver colliding with a lamppost outside of school and the fire alarm going off Thursday evening, but more, the pupils trying their best with every activity and overcoming many individual challenges throughout their stay. I can go on record and inform the Year 6 parents, that your child is capable of making their own bed...A big thank you to Mrs Walker, Mr Green, Mrs Ling and Mrs Preston for giving up their time to attend and making it such a success.

We were visited by a musical theatre group last week who performed to most of the school, providing pupils with a brilliant and fun experience.

Year 5's have completed their bikeability training this week, which I hope has given children the confidence and skills to be safe on our roads. From my observations since September I have noticed how very few bicycles and scooters we have in the bike shed. I know I am still getting to know the community, but it would be great if there are opportunities for more parents and pupils to travel to school sustainably in the future...

Thank you for the continued support for my staff who work tirelessly.

If I don't get to speak to you next week, can I wish you all a lovely Easter break.

Kind regards

Mr Askew



*2 - Our lovely Year 6 pupils at the end of the Grafham Water Challenge. Muddy kids are happy kids!*



*3 - Hello all,*

*Great news! From this weekend, our giraffe - Gerald - is on show in the Lion Yard Shopping Centre. We are delighted that our children got to be a part of this wonderful community arts project.*

*See if you can find Gerald among all the other giraffes on display. You can download or pick up a trail map and start exploring. Our sculpture is called, "Giraffe's Can Dance!"*

*Kind regards*

*Mrs Palmer*

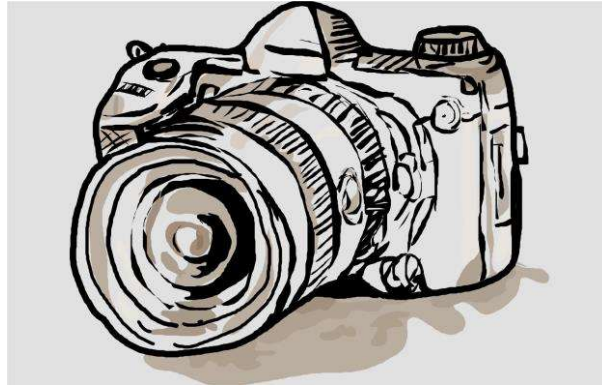


*4 - Don't forget that it is the Year 3/4 production of The Pied Piper next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Tickets are still available...*

## After School Clubs News

Just a reminder that next week there will only be clubs on Wednesday 27th March - Targets and Netball.

Clubs for the **summer term** will be available to book online from 2nd April.



5 - Class photographs will be taken on the last day of term next week...



6 - School choir starts again on **Monday 22nd April**.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL FUNDRAISING



The school council have come up with a new fundraising idea for 2024!

We have noticed how popular the toys are in the school shop and have discussed how, as a school, we can reduce the amount of toys at home that go unused, donated and recycled.

We have come up with an idea for children (with adults' permission) to donate any **good quality small** toys and items of stationery that could be donated to the school shop to be sold and reused again.

We are currently raising money for a new lighting desk in the hall, which will be of great use when we do productions and assemblies!

Please give any donations to Mrs Childs on a Thursday or Friday ready to be sold at Golden Time on Friday at 2:40.

Thank you for your support,

The School Council

Mrs Childs

## Upcoming Events

Dates	Events
23.01.24	Maple Class Assembly – 2:45
25.01.24	PTA Film Night - TBC
02.02.24	NSPCC Number Day
05.02.24	Mental Health Awareness Week
06.02.24	National Child Measurement Programme – Reception and Year 6 pupils
08.02.24 and 09.02.24	Year 3 and 4 Residential visit to Burwell House
16.02.24	Last Day of Term
19.02.24 to 23.02.24	Half Term Break
26.02.24	No School – Teacher Training Day
01.03.24	Live Jazz Music Evening 7:00 pm (Adults only)
04.03.24	Parents' Evening (not Birch)
07.03.24	Parents' Evening
08.03.24	World Book Day (Friday)
14.03.24	Parents' Evening (Birch only)
13.03.24 to 15.03.24	Year 6 Grafham Water residential visit
26.03.24	Rock Steady Concert – 09:00 to 10:00
28.03.24	Class Photographs and Leavers Photographs
28.03.24	Last Day of Term

We take the Safeguarding of the pupils at Bottisham Community Primary School as our upmost priority. If you have any worries about a young person, please do not hesitate to contact the school and ask to speak to a member of our designated safeguarding team. Alternatively you can email [head@bottishamprimary.org](mailto:head@bottishamprimary.org)<sup>1</sup>

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