

## Bottisham CPS Newsletter 26.04.24



*1 - Headteacher Update*

Dear All

The summer term has arrived! It's a pity the weather hasn't caught up yet...

There is always a lot to look forward to in the summer term with sports competitions, sports days, a music concert, productions and many more events and experiences to create some happy memories. Swimming lessons have restarted for some year groups, and next week on Wednesday 1st May at the end of the school day there is a film night organised by the wonderful PTA.

We have decided to bring in a code of conduct for playing football at breaktimes. Many pupils really enjoy playing and play respectfully, but sometimes there are some difficulties with some which requires follow up work by staff. Some of the feedback from pupils has informed us that some are reluctant to play and this is not acceptable. Playing sport, and in this case football, should be for all, no matter what their ability or gender. Therefore we hope that this code of conduct will create a more positive environment.

I have included at the end of this newsletter the summer term events.

Kind regards

Mr Askew

## Invasion Games Festival at Bottisham Village College



On Thursday 25th April, Year 3 and 4 joined Cheveley and Teversham Primary schools in an Invasion Games Festival at Bottisham Village College. Expecting a forecast of rain and cold temperatures, adults and children layered up preparing for the elements, however were amazed by a morning of beautiful sunshine and blue sky! The festival was organised by Year 9 Young Leaders who lead a variety of sporting activities including: football, tag rugby, netball.

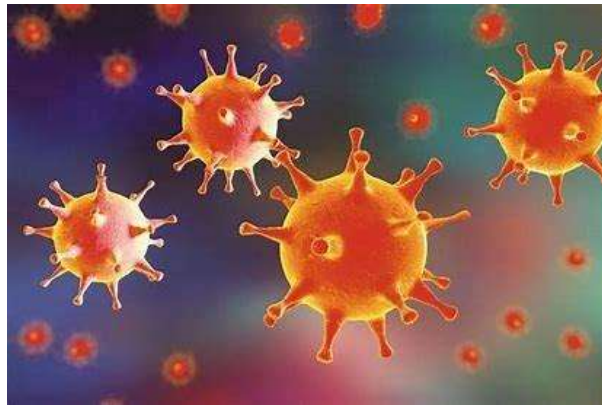
Well done to all the children who participated and tried their best! They returned proud, happy and weary – ready for some lunch! A huge thank you too for the adults who supported us.

*'I enjoyed the football shooting in the hoop best' - Naina,*

*'I enjoyed passing the ball in a circle and saying someone's name' – Hattie.*

Year 3/4 Team

## An increase in scarlet fever cases



We have been informed that a number of children who attend Bottisham Community Primary School or nursery have been diagnosed with suspected or confirmed scarlet fever.

Although scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, it should be treated with antibiotics to minimise the risk of complications and reduce the spread to others.

**The symptoms of scarlet fever** include a sore throat, headache, fever, nausea, and vomiting. This is followed by a fine, rash which typically first appears on the chest and stomach, rapidly spreading to other parts of the body. On white skin the rash looks pink or red. On brown and black skin, it might be harder to see a change in colour, but you can still feel the sandpaper-like texture of the rash and see the raised bumps. The face can be flushed red but pale around the mouth.

### **If you think you, or your child, have scarlet fever:**

- see your GP or contact NHS 111 as soon as possible
- make sure that you or your child takes the full course of any antibiotics prescribed by the doctor
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/scarlet-fever-symptoms-diagnosis-treatment>

**In addition** to scarlet fever cases, there are a number of pupils with slapped cheek syndrome too. You do not need to keep your child off school with slapped cheek because once the rash appears they are no longer infectious.

## Eco Council Update



This week, in celebration of **Earth Day**, each pupil has planted a sunflower seed for the annual BPS sunflower competition, supported by Eco Council. Let's see how many sunflowers we can grow in Bottisham and the surrounding areas for local wildlife this summer!

Eco Council also worked hard to rehearse and deliver a whole-school assembly on this year's Earth Day theme 'Planet vs Plastics'. We learnt about why plastic is everywhere, its dangers for the environment and how STEM is tackling the problem with new research and innovations. Well done to all of Eco Council who delivered a super assembly in front of a large audience!

Eco Council have also launched a four week glue stick survey to estimate how many we use in school each year, with a view to looking into more sustainable ways of using glue in school.

## Sports News - Netball Competition

On Tuesday 23rd April, we were lucky enough to take a group of Year 5/6 girls to participate in the Cambridge School Sport Partnership BEE Netball competition. There were 10 teams in attendance and within our 9 games we managed to win 4, draw 2 and lost 3. The girls really were a credit to the school! There was some fantastic netball skills on show and the children represented the school brilliantly with wonderful attitudes and sportsmanship throughout.

Well done to those involved!

Mr Green



2 - Maple Class Greek themed pots

## Summer Term Events

Date	Event
1/5	Birch Library Visit
3/5	Reception and KS1 speed kick sponsored challenge event
8/5	Cedar library visit
10/5	KS2 speed kick sponsored challenge event
13/5 to 16/5	KS2 Sats week, starting with breakfast
13/5	Dental check for 5-year-olds
15/5	Oak library visit
16/5	Picnic in the park themed lunch
22/5	Years 1 and 2 educational visit to Wimpole Park
24/5	Hazel class assembly
27/5 to 31/5	Half Term
3/6	PTA Fathers' Day gift event
12/6	Elm library visit
14/6	Oak class educational visit to South Angle Farm
19/6	Willow library visit
19/6	Sycamore class assembly
20/6	Pine class assembly
24/6 & 25/6	Year 6 BVC Transition visit and new class transitions
25/6	Music concert 6:00pm
26/6	Beech library visit
28/6	Science Day
3/7	Hazel library visit
5/7	Year 4 bikeability
5/7	PTA Summer Fair
9/7	KS1 Sports Day
9/7	Year 5/6 Production
10/7	Pine library visit
12/7	KS2 Sports Day
12/7	Annual school reports
16/7	Rocksteady concert
17/7	PTA Discos including Year 6 leavers BBQ
19/7	Leavers assembly

We take the Safeguarding of the pupils at Bottisham Community Primary School as our utmost 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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