

October 2023

Our Value for this half term: Respect

# Bridport Primary School

Learning today for our tomorrow

St Andrew's Rd, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3BJ

Headteacher: Michaela Kite; Deputy: Felicity Le Gassick

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is my pleasure to welcome Mrs Beecham and Miss Boston to the team, while Miss Barnett is on maternity leave (no news on the baby front yet!). Miss Rutterford and Ms Pettit have also joined our teaching assistant team.

Our VE Day celebration yesterday was a wonderful event, showcasing all the hard work of year six. They should all be congratulated for their efforts and the results! I am looking forward to 1066 day today in years four and five.

It is lovely to see so many children looking smart, in full school uniform, including hoodies for PE. Please remember that school shoes should be black, and PE kit in line with our expectations.

This week, we say goodbye to Mrs Rorstad, who has been covering the SENDCo (special needs coordinator) role. Mrs Rorstad has done an excellent job with us, and is not moving too far away: she will be joining Burton Bradstock full time. Miss Bowles returns Monday to Wednesday after half-term- welcome back!

A reminder that if you have any questions, concerns or worries, please contact the class teacher in the first instance- you can do this by emailing [office@bridport.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@bridport.dorset.sch.uk)

Have a good rest over half term and stay safe,

Ms Kite

## Upcoming Events

**October 23**

Half-Term

**October 30**

INSET Day

**October 31**

BACK TO SCHOOL

**November 1**

New Parent Tour @ 1:45pm

**November 2**

Girls Football Tournament

**November 7**

Save the date- Parent's Eve

**November 8**

Netball Tournament

**November 9**

Flu Immunisations

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## More News



### The Edible Garden

Our classes are thoroughly enjoying their sessions with the edible garden team. Over the next few weeks, every class will be going out to complete a scavenger hunt, getting the chance to explore the garden and all it has to offer. We are incredibly lucky to have this wonderful resource available to us and we are grateful to the edible garden team for their ongoing support.

### Tag Rugby

Our tag rugby team made us extremely proud on Saturday. They worked brilliantly as a team and should feel very proud of themselves. Their behavior and attitude were excellent.

### Hello Yellow

Thank you to everyone who took part in this- mental health is such an important topic and we are pleased to participate in this event to raise awareness.

[#HelloYellow](#) | [World Mental Health Day](#) | [YoungMinds](#)



### Year One visit to Homebredy

Last week, Year One took a walk up to Homebredy, to meet the residents and talk about the toys they enjoyed playing with when they were younger. The children really enjoyed their visit and were surprised to find that they also enjoy some of the same toys nowadays, including rocking horses and teddies. Year One are already planning a return visit at Christmas to sing carols with the residents.

### Local Governance

We have a new scheme of delegation that has been created by Initio- this outlines the responsibilities for the leadership and management of the schools. One of the changes is that what used to be called 'the Local Governing Body' (LGB) has now become 'the Local Schools Committee' (LSC). The trustees of Initio retain oversight of the entire trust.

## Running Club after Half-term

After half term, Miss Bartlett will be leading a KS2 running club on Thursdays from 3.10pm-4pm. The children will be training for 2 upcoming competitions so the expectation is that they are able to run **at least** 1km without stopping. If you would like to sign your child up, please do so in the normal way via MCAS. Collection after the club will be outside Bothen classroom.



### FOREST SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

During this club, children can develop their outdoor skills; from getting muddy to having a campfire. These sessions are tailored to the children attending! The sessions are run by your school forest school leaders and all information provided will be passed onto our staff to ensure the safety of your child.

If you have any further questions about the after-school club please contact Admin, via email:

[admin@primary-forest-school.co.uk](mailto:admin@primary-forest-school.co.uk)

Dates: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Time: 15.10 - 16.15

Cost: 6 week block £24

Please book online at

<https://www.primary-forest-school.co.uk/bookings>

or scan to book

Look out for your school's logo!



All equipment will be provided; children are expected to wear suitable outdoor clothing and footwear.

Children must meet the forest school leader at the end of the school day and be collected from the school at the end of the session by parents.

Forest School activities could result in children being injured; Primary Forest School & Outdoor Education Ltd will accept no liability.

**EXPLORE LEARN GROW**

**MAYOR'S  
QUIZ  
NIGHT**

Come to the Mayor's Quiz Fundraiser!  
£5/person, maximum of 6 people per team.  
Prize for the best dressed table.  
Book your table with Tourist Information in person or on the phone 01308 424901

**Sunday 19 November,  
6.30pm for a 7pm start**

BRIDPORT YOUTH & COMMUNITY  
CENTRE, GUNDRY LANE, BRIDPORT  
DT6 3RL

## Scooters and Bikes

For safety reasons, please could I remind everyone that scooters and bikes should not be ridden on the premises before and after school, as these are our busiest times out on the playground. We would not want any unnecessary accidents or collisions.



## Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/BridportPrimaryDorset>

## Community News- from the Mayor

[Mayor's Blog 140 – Bridport Town Council \(bridport-tc.gov.uk\)](#)

### Jurassic Multicultural Family Event

Jurassic Multicultural is a community group whose aim is to support people from different cultures/faiths and ethnicities in Bridport and the surrounding areas. They have around 60 members of all ages, representing all corners of the world including Zimbabwe, Kenya, Nigeria, Sudan, Palestine, Afghanistan, El Salvador, Mexico, Japan, Philippines, India, Caribbean, Malaysia, Indonesia, Ukraine, Romania, and the UK.

They meet twice a month at Bridport Children's Centre:

1pm on the 1st Saturday of each month – Tends to be more family orientated.

7pm on the 2nd Monday of each month

These gatherings are an opportunity for people to spend time together, play, eat and share experiences in a safe setting. We also occasionally run workshops to introduce different aspects of their cultures.

If people would like more information, they can email Harriet at [jurassicmulticultural@gmail.com](mailto:jurassicmulticultural@gmail.com)

### Bulbs Planted on Riverside Gardens

My thanks to members of Bridport's Gardening Club for planting several sacks of daffodils and some crocuses on Riverside Meadow. The bulbs they planted last year, when they burst into bloom over several weeks, were a wonderfully cheerful herald of spring and the summer to come. I for one am really looking forward to seeing an even larger display of these lovely flowers when they emerge next spring.

Following their efforts the planting team were rewarded with tea and coffee courtesy of The Bridge House, so thanks all round.



**Half Term Special**

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**Gym Tots**

SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN AGED  
**UP TO 7 YEARS!**

**Tuesday 24th October**  
1.15PM TO 2.45PM

**Friday 27th October**  
11.30AM TO 1PM

**Only £4 per child**  
50% sibling discount

**FREE tea and coffee for parent/guardian & biscuits for children!**

Open to all children age 7 and under  
Gym Tots is an unsupervised play session.  
Parent or guardian must be in attendance  
and will be responsible for their child.

**Ducklings: 50% discount**  
if attended same day

Sessions are limited  
Booking is recommended  
Call us on (01308) 427464

**Bridport Leisure Centre**  
Brewery Fields, Bridport, Dorset DT6 5LN www.bridportleisure.com Tel: 01308 427464

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**Half Term DAY CAMPS**

**MULTI ACTIVITY CAMPS**  
at Bridport Leisure Centre

Fun and exciting camps for children aged 5 to 12 years, with a variety of sporting activities that will encourage, engage and get children working together as a team.

**FROM MONDAY 23RD TO FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER 2023**  
**8.45AM TO 5.15PM**  
Breakfast drop-off and late-pick up also available

We are offering a limited number of fully funded spaces to those eligible and in receipt of benefit-related free school meals in Bridport and surrounding area.  
Summer in Dorset passcode must be provided when booking funded space.  
To get your passcode sign up at:  
www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/children-families/holiday-activities-and-food-programme

**Day Camps 8.45am to 5.15pm - £27.50**  
Fully funded spaces available  
**Breakfast drop-off 8am to 8.45am - £2.50**  
to include a cereal breakfast  
**Late pick-up 5.15pm to 6pm - £2.50**  
to include a snack

**Day Camps include a LUNCHBOX**  
supplied by  
**The Food Dude**  
Fresh fruit  
kindly donated by  
**Washingpool Farm**

**Discounts available:**  
20% siblings  
OR 20% 5-day booking

**Spaces are limited**  
call (01308) 427464 to book

Please note, there is a 48-hour cancellation policy in place on all camps.  
Remember to bring: snacks and plenty of drinks. Please wear trainers and dress for the weather.  
**Bridport Leisure Centre, Brewery Fields, Bridport, Dorset DT6 5LN**  
Tel: (01308) 427464 www.bridportleisure.com

**Half Term SEN Activities**

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**SEN Soft Play** Numbers are limited  
SOFT PLAY BOOKING ESSENTIAL

**Friday 27th October**  
1.30pm to 3pm

Gymnastics beams, mats and foam shapes, diddy cars, toys, soft play and bouncy castle.

**Ages 0 - 16 years** (adult supervision req)  
**£5 per child** (squash and biscuits)

Dorset Max Card or DLA Award to be shown on arrival.

**SEN Pool Fun**

**Tuesday 24th October**  
2.30pm to 3.30pm

Floats, mats, woggles and toys fill both pools, in this session for all the family

**SEN Low Sensory Swim**

**Every Sunday 2pm to 3pm**

Sensory-Friendly Sessions with reduced lighting (when possible) and no music. Fun floats and water toys provided to keep the session fun and engaging.

**£4.50 adults, £3.50 young person (16-20 yrs)**  
**£3 juniors, 3 and unders FREE**

Parents/Carers can swim for a £1 upon production of a valid Dorset or Devon Carers Card.

**The pre-booking of the pool sessions is not required.**

Pool Fun and Swim Sessions FREE to Bridport Swim School members.  
Plus all pool sessions throughout the half term!

**October Sports Camp**

STEVE TREBLE SCHOOL SPORTS

**Tuesday 24th October** St Catherine's Bridport  
**Wednesday 25th October** St Marys Middle School Puddletown  
**Thursday 26th October** The Prince Of Wales First School

Yr1 - Yr8  
8.30am - 3.30pm  
Full day £22  
Half day £11  
10% sibling discount

Our October Sports Camp promises you a fantastic day of sports, games, race and activities.

For bookings -  
<https://bookwhen.com/stevetrebleschoolsports>  
Social Media  
Facebook - Steve Treble School Sports  
Instagram - steve\_treble\_school\_sports