



# Burton Bradstock CE Primary School February Newsletter



Dear Families,

Over the half term, our focus in school has been on the value of Friendship. Children have demonstrated this by looking out for each other, ensuring that others are involved and included in their games and thinking about what makes a good friend. I have especially enjoyed seeing the older children play with the younger ones with a particular highlight being Year 5 joining our preschool and reception children at forest school. Seeing all the children interacting together to build fairy houses was a sight to behold!

As you will be aware from my recent letter, Mrs Procter is retiring at the end of the summer term after 35 years of service to our school and community. We currently have an advertisement out for an Early Years Teacher, and I will let you know when we appoint.

Over the past six weeks, we have been lucky enough to have cricket coach Sean Fitzgerald working with us teaching cricket through the Chance to Shine program. The children have learnt about throwing, catching, bowling and batting. Maybe we have a future England star in our midst!

It has been great to get back into the church this half term and the children have enjoyed the services led by Reverend Jane. One of our favourites was the Candlemas service where the children learnt all about why Christians celebrate this special event. All the staff and governors have been so impressed with how respectful the children have been in church and we are looking forward to our monthly services.

Please keep up to date with us on Facebook and our school website: [www.burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk](http://www.burtonbradstock.dorset.sch.uk)

Best Wishes,  
**Adam Gough**  
Headteacher

## World Book Day – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March is World Book Day. On this day, children are welcome to come into school in costume of their favourite book character. **There is no need to buy a costume and there is no requirement for them to dress up if they don't want to!** If they do dress up, we ask that they bring in the book that their character is from and be prepared to talk about it with their class. The children will also receive a £1 book voucher which they can spend on one of the dedicated WBD books or put towards a different book of their choice.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, we have some visitors from 'The Bookshop' in Bridport who are coming in to talk about their favourite books with the children. The Bookshop stocks all the WBD books and if you do buy something in there, please mention our school as we earn credits!



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**Owls:** Owls class enjoyed the football day with Mr Hobby. They honed their skills and learnt about the values of teamwork and respect.



**Kingfishers:** Kingfisher class had fun celebrating Number Day.



**Robins:** One of our governors, Mrs Steward-Smith, has kindly volunteered to take the children to the library on a regular basis. Robins enjoyed their visit and were all able to choose a book to take back to school to read in their quiet reading time.

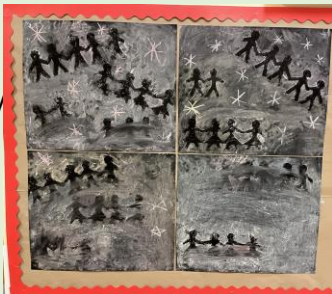


**Wagtails and Little Chicks:** Wagtails and Little Chicks enjoyed a Fairy Tale Picnic to finish off their 'Once Upon a Time' topic.



### School Life Pastor

Check out this amazing work from our Creativity club! They created some artwork all about Friendship.



### Sport round-up:

Our Year 3 and 4 Futsal team took part in the local school's tournament. They all played really well and were great ambassadors for our school. The next sporting event is the Tag Rugby Tournament in March which we are hoping to attend. More details to follow.

### Breakfast club

Our breakfast clubs runs from 7:45-8:40 each day and costs £1 per child per session. Please give at least a week's notice if you wish your child to attend. If you are able to volunteer to help, please let the office know.

For more on events and learning, follow us on Facebook!



## Little Chicks Preschool news:

We are now full for some sessions. Please let us know if you would like your child to join us. We are already taking bookings for the autumn term.



## Dates for your diary – February/March 2022

**21-25th February** – Half term

**28th February** – **INSET day** – school closed to children

**3<sup>rd</sup> March** – **World Book Day** – see info on page 3

**12th March** – Tag Rugby Competition for selected children at Bridport Rugby Club

**WB 14th March** – British Science Week

**WB 21st March** – Colfox work experience students at school

**25th March** – Church Service

**8th April** – Easter service and school finishes at 1:30pm

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**6<sup>th</sup> June 2022** – Platinum Jubilee day for MLT Primaries

## School Council

Our School Councillors:

**EYFS** – Flora & Ralpie

**Y1** – Reggie & Amelia

**Y2** – Erin & Henri

**Y3** – Elsie & Lewis

**Y4** – Frankie & Archie

**Y5** – Josh & Daisy

**Y6** – Billy & Lily

Our school council have been discussing playtimes in their recent meetings. Thanks to the friends, we will be upgrading our playground equipment (such as bats and balls) and also buying some football goals.

## COVID Update

Thank you for your continued support in following the current covid guidance. We have had a number of cases in school this half term but as I write, they do seem to be subsiding. If your child tests positive, please contact the school office as soon as possible. The office emails are checked over the weekend, but you may not receive a reply until Monday morning.

Currently, there is no need to get a PCR if you receive a positive result on an LFD. If you or your child have symptoms, you are advised to book a PCR test. Please bear in mind that we may need to review our measures after half term depending on any new guidance from the government.

At the time of writing, you can still order LFD tests online;

[www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests).

## Topics next half term:

- Wagtails - 'Signs of Spring',
- Robins - 'The Scented Garden',
- Kingfishers - '1066'
- Owls - 'Off with her head!'



## Amazon Smile:

The Friends have registered with Amazon Smile. If you shop on Amazon, please consider using this link to help raise valuable funds for our school:

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1026130-0>

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