



Brixham Church of England Primary School
and Pre-School
Life in all its Fullness

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have come to the end of our first half term back to school. The time has certainly flown by. The children have been amazing and I would like to thank you for all for your support around the adaptations that we have made in order to keep everyone safe. When we return after the half term break we will be continuing with the measures that have been put in place this half term. It is vital that we all play our part and continue to ensure the measures are supported.

As part of our learning this half term, all of the children have been thinking about 'The Great Outdoors', whether in our community or further afield. We are excited to be celebrating our own school site by having the day outside on Friday. This is an opportunity to think about how being outside supports our mental well-being, but also celebrating how lucky we are with our school environment and how we can take responsibility for it.

I hope that you all have a wonderful half term break, keep safe and enjoy the time with your children.

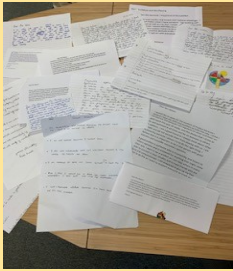


Best wishes
Cristy Nelson

Back to school...

Y6 Prefects

This year we have offered our Year 6 pupils the opportunity to apply for the position of Prefect. The Y6 Prefects will take on Leadership Roles and support the developing Ethos of our school as we move throughout the year. As part of this journey, the Year 6 children had to apply for the position by writing a letter and then attending an interview. I have been overwhelmed by the enthusiasm of our year 6 pupils and am extremely confident that they will have a very successful year.

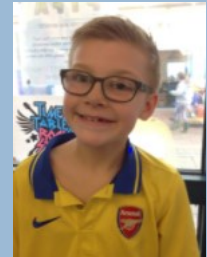


Well done Y6 Prefects!

Well done Rueben!

Some of you may remember that during Lockdown Reuben challenged himself to run 26.2 miles., to raise money for our Forest School. Reuben successfully completed his challenge and managed to raise a whopping £195.00.

Thank you Rueben!



Home Learning

It has been amazing to look back through all of the children's portfolios on Class Dojo and see the home learning that they completed during the Lockdown period. We would like to thank you for all of your support with this.



Young Minds

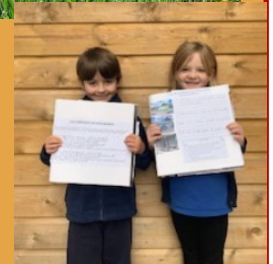
Thank you for all of your support with our Wear Yellow Day for Young Minds.

The yellow certainly brightened up our day!



Charlton Manor

This week our Y2 pupils have been working alongside a school in London. They have been busy looking at the similarities and differences between our two schools. They have had a Skype meeting with the pupils and will be working with them throughout the year.



Earthquakes!

Our Y5 pupils have been inspired by their Learning Experience this half term looking natural disasters, with a particular focus on Japan and the earthquakes. They have been carrying out practical experiments at home to test structures.



‘Little Reporters’ Page

This month our ‘Little Reporters’ have been thinking about ‘Black History Month.’ They have spent time researching the subject and thinking about the



impact on today's society.



Black History Month

This month is special to many, as it is Black History Month!

We therefore decided to write a bit about it. I hope you all find this interesting and it leaves you eager to learn more.

Firstly, there are so many unappreciated black figures throughout history but sadly we could only choose a few to celebrate. We have found so many who have inspired us and show great bravery and determination. We hope we can do them some justice as we introduce them to you.

Harriet Tubman was born into slavery in America. She escaped from slavery and fought hard to stop it. Following her escape, she went on to 13 missions to rescue other slaves and lead them to freedom.

Walter Tull was the first black British Army officer and first black British Professional Footballer. He was born in England and played for Tottenham Hotspur.

Bill Miller was the Deputy Mayor of Plymouth, he was also known as the ‘Local Hero’ and helped to build houses for black people during the war who were left homeless.

Mary Seacole, a nurse who helped support British soldiers during the Crimean War. She set up the ‘British Hotel’ behind the lines and nursed the injured soldiers back to health.

Interesting facts ... did you know that?

- *Walter has a £5 coin with his face on it.
- *Harriet will be on a new US \$50 note due out in 2028.
- *Bill has a booklet about him: “Bill Miller: Black Labour Party Activist in Plymouth”.
- *Mary was the first named black woman to have her own statue in Britain.

Our fellow pupils told us;

“Just because you are different, you shouldn’t be discriminated against.”

“Black History Month is a month of respect.”

“Reflecting on Black History Month reminds us that everyone matters.”

Even to this day there is racism in this world which is why it is good to keep an open mind and help build a better future.

Have a great half term, stay safe and have a happy Halloween!



Notice Board



PTFA

Thank you to all of those who attended our PTFA meeting this week. It was great to see you all, both new and old members.

Our next meeting is being held on November 4th at 6:30pm. We would love to welcome more of our parents to join us as we move forward to raise money for the children of Brixham C of E.

If you would like to join us, please let the school office know or send a message to myself via Class Dojo

Staffing Changes

We are delighted to welcome Tanya Jeffery to our Brixham C of E family. Tanya is currently working in our school office as part of our Admin Team. She has worked in other primary schools both within Torbay and further afield and brings a wealth of school experience with her. Welcome Tanya!



Flu Vaccinations Reminder.

If you would like your child to receive the Flu Vaccination this year (10th Dec) please remember to give your consent by following the link below.

<https://schoolsimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2020/devdevon>

Poppy Sales

Following the half term break, we will be selling poppies for the British Legion.

The children will be able to purchase these within their class bubbles from the class teachers.

Class Dojo

If you have not signed up to Class Dojo please let the office know, your class teacher will then send you a password and instructions as to how to access your class page and how your child can create a portfolio

This is currently the main way parents are able to communicate with class teachers. This is also how any child that is isolating will be able to communicate with their class teacher.

We want to ensure that all of our children have access to this resource.

Feel Good Friday

On Friday 13th November we will be supporting this years Children in Need Appeal with a 'Feel Good Friday'

This years campaign is 'Five for Thrive' and focuses on children's physical and mental well being.

We will asking the children to come to school in their own clothes to celebrate our 'Feel Good Friday' and make a donation towards the 'Children In Need' appeal.

Attendance for weeks

27.09.20—22.10.20

Whole School	97.51%
Year Group	% Attendance
Reception	96.20
1	97.20
2	98.34
3	98.52
4	98.77
5	95.62
6	97.82

Safeguarding

Here at Brixham C of E Primary we are committed to safeguarding the children.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Cristy Nelson and Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Miss Marie Tyrrell.

If you do have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Diary Dates 2020 / 2021

Friday 23rd October	- Break up for half term
Monday 2nd November	- Return to school
Wednesday 4th November	- Virtual PTFA meeting
Wednesday 11th November	- Remembrance Day
Friday 13th November	- 'Feel Good Friday' Mufti Day
Wednesday 2nd December	- Foundation Stage Nativity
Thursday 5th December	- Foundation Stage Nativity
Tuesday 8th December	- Year 1 Christmas Celebration
Thursday 10th December	- Children's Flu Vaccination

(further information will follow as to how our Christmas Celebrations will proceed this year)

School Values

This half term we have been exploring our school values through our class worships and thinking about what they mean to us. The children have produced some fantastic pieces of work based around this. Please talk about them at home and discuss what they mean to you and your families..

