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23rd September, 2022.

Dear parents / carers,

I hope you have had an enjoyable week. My time on residential with the Year 6s was very enjoyable and I would like to thank them for joining in and rising to each challenge with determination and enjoyment. They were a lovely group of children to be away with and I am very proud of them. I would also like to thank Miss Ford and Miss Smith for giving up their time to accompany the children; their support was greatly appreciated.

Zones of Regulation



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This term we have introduced **Zones of Regulation** to all our pupils. This is a curriculum that has lessons and activities designed by therapist, Leah Kuypers, to help pupils gain skills in the area of self-regulation. The lessons and learning activities are designed to help pupils recognize their emotions, understand when and why they are in different zones as well as learn how to use strategies to change or stay in the zone they are in.

Further information is attached to his news- letter.

Learning Skills

Though-out the year we have reflected on the strengths of our children as learners and considered what we need to do inorder to equip then for their future. Through our curriculum, we aim to develop the following Learning Skills to aid children's metacognition. These skills are taught throughout the year and are not linked to any particular learning experience or term. We want our children to be: independent, creative, resilient and emotionally intelligent. We have introduced Learning Skills as a way of helping children to develop metacognition. To achieve the greatest impact, our Learning skills will be integrated into lessons and included in a variety of contexts rather than exploring them in isolation.

In order to have a shared and consistent approach through-out the school, we have assigned colours and characters to our Learning Skills and selected vocabulary that will support and challenge development and growth. The animals were chosen as they embody the characteristics we want the children to develop.

The Learning skills are part of our vision for our school and will continue to develop overtime. We believe that these are skills which can be applied to all learning that takes place in school, at home and in all aspects of life. Further information is attached to this news-letter.

Parent helpers

It is lovely to see parents and grandparents coming into school to help; thank you so much. Please speak to or email your child's class teacher if you are able to help with regular activities like reading or one off activities like cooking and school trips. If you have already spoken to Mrs Walster following the meet the teacher meeting, she has passed your names to the teachers.

Just for clarity, whilst we are we happy to have supervised (without a DBS) adults support us occasionally, if you are coming into school to help on a regular basis, the DfE guidance recommends a DBS should be in place. Once you have confirmed



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dates and times with the class teachers, Mrs Grandy our Bursar will contact you to make arrangements to process your DBS clearance. We are happy for you to be supporting us whilst we wait for your DBS certificate to arrive.

Parking

I am sorry to have to mention parking so early in the term but recently and especially on wet days like today parking around the school entrance has become dangerous. I know that I do not have any power to stop you parking in the bus bay or opposite the school gates but in doing so you are putting all our children at risk of harm. Today, I noticed that visibility along the road was blocked by cars parked opposite the school meaning that children and adults had to step into the road to see if it was clear to cross. Cars parked in the bus bay mean that traffic, travelling east, has to maneuver around the parked car; travelling closer to the children. Please be considerate when parking and consider the safety of the children.

Our staff car park is very small; we have seven spaces for 35 members of staff. On five occasions, this week, staff have not been able to enter or leave the carpark because parents have parked either across the entrance or blocked the entrance by parking just inside the entrance along the fence. Two members of staff had to park in the layby this week as parents dropping children at breakfast club were using the staff parking bays. Again please be considerate to the adults working at school.

Car damage reported

We have been contacted by a very honest member of the pubic who says that he may have damaged a car parked outside our school on Wednesday 14 September 2022. If you think your car was damaged on this date please contact Mrs Walster: <u>office@boshamprimary.co.uk</u> and she will pass your details on.

Holidays

Since we have returned to school, I have received many requests for holiday absences and I can fully appreciate your disappointment when requests are returned unauthorized. The guidance for head teachers is very clear; family holidays should not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances to do so. These guidelines remain in place despite the upset to holiday arrangements that Covid has caused.

Roles and Responsibilities

Thank you very much to all the parents who have supported their child's application for a role or responsibility within school. We have had many children apply and the voting process in classes has been very tight. Results will be announced in next week's celebration assembly and children will be presented with their badges.

Clubs

There are some spaces in the following clubs: If your child would like to attend please contact the school office to book a place.

Monday	Journalism	3:15 – 4:15	Years 4 - 6
	Rhyme time	3:15 – 4:15	Year 1 and 2
Tuesday	Netball	7:45 -8:40	Years 3 - 6
	Yoga	3:15 – 4:15	Years 2 - 4
Thursday	Country dancing	3:15 – 4:15	Years 2 - 6



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E-safety

Each month we will be sending you some guidance on how to keep your child safe on the internet and when using social media. Following a few concerns from parents about how children were using messaging platforms, the first parents guide will focus on WhatsApp. Over time the guides will be added to our website.

From previous news letters

Contacting the school

If you need to contact your child's class teacher please use the following:

- Reception (Mrs Smith): esmith@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 1(Mrs Black): gblack@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 2 (Mrs Maloney): emalony@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 3 (Mrs Earnshaw): mearnshaw@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 4 (Mrs King): aking@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 5 (Miss Pullen): rpullen@boshamprimary.co.uk
- Year 6 (Miss Ford): rford@boshamprimary.co.uk

Teaching staff will endeavor to answer your emails within 24 hour and are unlikely to answer outside of their usual working days. If you need to contact us in an emergency, please continue to use the office email address <u>office@boshamprimary.co.uk</u> or phone number 01243 572375

Harvest Festival

Weather permitting, we will be holding our Harvest Festival Celebration on Friday 7th October on the school field. We would like to invite you to join us at 2pm when Father Matin will be leading the service. During the celebration we would love the children to share donations of food items for us to send to the Chichester Food Bank. The Food Bank in Chichester has been established for a number of years now but is currently facing unprecedented demand due to people's changing circumstances. Requests from the Foodbank include tins of:

- Custard
- Fish
- Fruit
- Meat
- Potatoes
- Rice Pudding
- Soup
- Vegetables

Dates for your diaries

Parents' evenings: Booking slots for this will be available from 2pm on Friday 30th September by parentmail

Individual and sibling photographs – Friday 7 October

Yr6 Bikability – week commencing 7 October

Harvest Festival – Friday 7 October at 2pm

Book Fest - Tuesday 4th October

Website: www.boshamprimary.co.uk



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Influenza nasal spray: Monday 17th October Half Term – Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October Christmas Market: Friday 2nd December Christmas carol service – Friday 16th December End of Term

Letters sent this week Book Fest Influenza Headlice

I Hope to see many of you at the Summer Social tonight. I wish you a relaxing weekend,

INSET days 2022-2023 January 3rd 2023 February 10th 2023 June 5th 2023

