

Bussage C. of E. (Aided) Primary School The Ridgeway, Bussage, Stroud, Glos. GL6 8FW

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Friday 6th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Service: Thank you to all of those of you who were able to join us for our Harvest Service this week, it was lovely to be able to share this Christian Festival with you. Our thanks also go out for all of the donations sent in, they will soon be transported to Stroud District Foodbank where they will be very well received.

PTA Bussage Bear Hunt 2023: The Bear Hunt was a resounding success again this year, raising an outstanding £5622.35 for our school. This money makes such a huge impact on the experiences our children have at Bussage C of E Primary. A huge amount of thanks goes to the fabulous Bear Hunt Committee for all of their hard work and dedication to making this event such a success.

Parent Consultation Evenings Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October: It will soon be time for you to be able to make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher during our Parent Consultation Evenings. Appointments will become available on line from 11th October, you will receive a link notification via our teachers2parents system to allow you to make a booking. Bookings will close by 3pm on Thursday 19th October. If you have not received a booking link by 9 am on 11th October, please contact the school office.

School Opening Mornings for Prospective Parents: We have three opportunities coming up for prospective parents to come and look at our school at work, the first of which is on **Monday 16**th **October at 9:30am**. If you know of anyone interested in school places for their pre-school child, who are looking to change their child's school or even who are moving into the locality, please direct them to our open mornings. We can, of course, accommodate school visits for prospective parents at other times to suit in addition to the designated Open Mornings.

School Photographs: School photographs are on **Tuesday 17**th **October**. Forms were sent out last week and should be returned to the office in order to inform us of your choice of photograph type to be taken.

Jewellery: Please can we remind all parents and children that only watches and stud earrings may be worn by children at school and that these must be removed for PE lessons. Children should not wear dangly earrings, bracelets, rings, anklets or necklaces as they are a safety hazard when they are playing or doing more physical activities. If you do not wish for your child to remove their earrings during sporting activities, please furnish them with micropore tape to place on their ears during PE lessons and other sporting activities, they can keep this in their PE bags. In addition, some children are coming into school with rather large, and in some case, pointy head bands — these are also discouraged. We thank you for your support in this matter.

INSET reminder: Please remember that school is closed to children on **Friday 27**th **October** as it is a staff training day. Kind Regards,

















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Dates for your diary - Autumn Term:

17th October School photographs Siblings and portraits

24th & 25th October Parent consultation evenings 4-6:30pm

27th October INSET – school closed for children (followed by half term)

28th November Y3 Recorder and Y4 Clarinet concert 2pm tbc

30th November PTA wreath making event evening

4th December Community Carols 6pm TBC

8th December PTA Christmas Fayre time

17th November Children in Need day

12th December KS1 Christmas afternoon performance to parents

13th December KS1 Christmas evening performance to parents 5:30 pm

18th December KS2 Carol Service 6pm

19th December KS2 Carol Service 6pm

20th December Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day

21st December Whole school visit to Pantomime in Stroud

22nd December end of term 1:30 pm finish

Spring Term:

8th January return to school

19th & 20th March Parent consultation evenings 4-6:30pm

20th March School Easter Service

Summer Term:

17th-21st June Y6 residential to Barton Hall 25th June Sports Day (Reserve days on 3.7.24 and then 9.7.24)











