

# Brize Norton Primary School

Striving, Helping, Inspiring, Nurturing, Excelling

We SHINE for ourselves and each other with kindness



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## Head Teacher's News

Dear Parents/Carers,

The end of the term has finally arrived and we were hoping to round it off with an exciting fun run, but sadly, the good old British weather got the better of us. We will look forward to that early next term and a date will be set on our return. Thank you for your understanding with this and your continued fundraising efforts.

A lot of work has gone on behind the scenes this term with regards to our play provision. I would like to thank Mr Fowler (a parent from the school community) for his **help** with preparing the much anticipated sandpit. We are looking forward to opening it in the Summer Term for the children to enjoy. We have also been successful in a charity bid which was placed through the Bampton Charity Shop earlier this term. We have been awarded £2000 which is going towards the area around the new sandpit to create a peaceful play place and a sensory garden. We are also very much looking forward to getting underway with that project so the children can enjoy it.

The summer term brings with it lots more fun activities that the team have planned for the children including our new SPORTS Week, which complements our Arts Week and Science Week that the children have already experienced and enjoyed. There is lots to look forward to.

With that, from myself and the team here at Brize, have a super Easter holidays and we look forward to welcoming you back on the 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Mrs Jones

## SHINE

Well done to Francesca, Ivor, Daisi-Rae, Grace and Mylo for being nominated by the team for their striving, helping, inspiring, nurturing, excelling and of course, kindness, this term. I thoroughly enjoyed their company at Humble Bumble for their treat. What superstars you are.



## Attendance from 18 – 27 March

Falcons : 93.4%

Voyagers: 95.9%

Hercules: 97%

Hurricanes: 95.4%

Buccaneers: 97.5% Well done Reception

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## Updates and Information

### Special Educational Needs (SEN) Parents Coffee Morning

If you are a parent of a child with Special Educational Needs (SEN), or you would like to find out about our SEN provision, Mrs Penn is going to be hosting a coffee morning on **Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April at 9am**. You will be able to find out about her role as the SENCo, who and how to make contact if you have questions, how we identify need, our graduated response and our provision for those with SEN. She will be joined by a lady called Jane Elvridge who is a SEN specialist and works with our school. If you would like to attend the coffee morning, please do email the office so we can plan numbers accordingly.

### BIG Science Week Winners

What a week we had for our Science Week. It was an absolute joy to see the children so engaged with their scientific enquiries – there was a real buzz of excitement around the school. I was fortunate to be joined by two governors, Mr Sutherland and Mrs Blakesley Grimes to judge the finalists from each classes. We were really impressed with the standard of presentations and the scientific thinking behind each one.

### Lower School/Reception Parent Maths Café

Thank you to those who have responded with regards to the maths café. The café is going to be held predominantly on Friday's, 9am – 9:30am and led by Mrs Jones. There are still some spaces if you would like to attend, just email the ladies in the office.  
Dates are: 26<sup>th</sup> April, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> May.

### Additional INSET Day 2024-2025

As you are aware, we are a part of ODST (Oxford Diocesan Schools Trust) Academy. As part of the Trust's SEND and Inclusion Strategy, they are going to be holding a whole trust INSET day on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November. This is **in addition** to the ones that have already been set by our school and published. The Academic Calendar for next year has been amended and is available on our website, but is also attached to this email for your reference, where you can find next year's term dates and INSET days.

### Easter Trail Map

If you are looking for something to do locally this Easter, don't forget the Easter trail organised by our wonderful BNSA. Maps will be available for £2 each at pickup today. There are two prizes included with each map and can be claimed from the Humble Bumble. Maps will also be on sale throughout the holidays from the Humble Bumble.

Easter Eggs: Thank you to the BNSA for providing all the children with an Easter egg today.

Village Bash Photo Competition: Preparations are underway for the Village Bash on 14 July. This year the committee are hosting a photography competition with the following themes:

Childrens theme is 'Reading around Brize'

Adults theme is 'Brize at its best'

Photos should be no larger than 7 x 5" (18 x 13cm) and need to be mounted. All entries can be delivered to the Elderbank hall on July 14<sup>th</sup> no later than 10.30am. Good Luck.

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## April – Month of the Military Child

### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Camo Day and Military themed Cupcake and Biscuit Sale

April brings us the month of the military child and with over a quarter of our community being a part of the Service Community, we want to recognise and celebrate this month. On the first day back of the Summer term, we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise money for Little Troopers. Your child is invited to wear camo or purple or even purple camo! Purple is worn to show support for other military children and thank them for going through the struggles while their parents serve the country. We suggest a voluntary donation of £1 per family. We will also be holding a military themed cupcake and biscuit (no large/whole cakes please) sale after school. Some of our service children will judge the entries and prizes will be awarded. Cakes will be on sale in the playground after school.

### FREE Webinar – April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm

#### **Boosting Children's Resilience and Mental Health, Tips for Parents and Educators**

In this webinar, Dr Weston of Tooled Up Education will share a raft of evidence-based tips that parents and teachers can use to good effect at home and at school. How can we boost children's resilience? What can we do to reduce anxiety? How can we keep them motivated?

To what extent does sleep, nutrition and access to phones impact on children's ability to thrive? How can we work optimally together in partnership to support all young learners?

Click on the link to register:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_DyqabCfXSkOPBJ3mXnf5JQ#/registration](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DyqabCfXSkOPBJ3mXnf5JQ#/registration)

## Dates for your Diary

April	Month of the Military Child
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Term 5
15 <sup>th</sup> April	Camo Day and Military themed Cake Sale
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 MFL day at Burford
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 5 Enrichment Day at Burford
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	School Closed for INSET
6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday Monday

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20 <sup>th</sup> May	Cycling Proficiency Begins
20 <sup>th</sup> May @ 3:30pm	Year 4 & 5 parents meeting for Burford Secondary School
27 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> May	Half Term
6 <sup>th</sup> June	80 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D-Day Landings Celebrations
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Music Festival at Burford
24 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term 6

Can't remember the date of an event....

All our up and coming diary dates can be found on our website under the 'For Parents' tab, so do remember to check there if at a later date you can lay your hands on the latest newsletter.

Newsletters will also be added to DOJO for your convenience.

<https://www.brizeprimary.org/for-parents/diary-dates/>

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