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John 10:10 'Life in all its fullness'

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the Summer Holidays. Pupils have returned back to school looking smart and with positive attitudes towards their learning.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome a number of new families to our school community. Our new Early Years pupils have settled in well and it was lovely to welcome parents and carers as part of our coffee and cake session this morning.

The whole school started the term with a PSHE focus. Pupils across the school have completed work on identifying their emotions and developing a range of vocabulary associated to them, the emotions of others, trusted adults and how they can respond to a worry. Pupils have also explored the British Value of democracy and have voted for their class representatives for the year.

Over the coming weeks, we look forward to presenting pupils with their badges as they begin their new roles of responsibility.







SCHOOL VALUES:

This half term's Christian Value is Koinonia.

1 Corinthians 12 v 12 -31

'Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one'

Koinonia means 'that which is in common' and is often translated as 'fellowship' or 'community'. Other translations might include 'union', 'partnership', or 'being yoked together'. A yoke is a shaped piece of wood that goes across the shoulders, often linking two animals. By combining their strength, it helps work to be done and burdens to be carried.

As a school, every child and adult plays a valuable part in making South Bersted Church of England Primary School a fantastic place to learn.

To help deepen pupils understanding of Koinonia, across the school we are promoting the following behaviours:

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BIG QUESTION:

Each of the school's topics are driven by a BIG question. To learn more about your child's current BIG question, your child's knowledge organiser for this half term has today been posted on Class Dojo.

I also encourage parents to attend the Meet and Greet sessions to learn more about what your child will be learning this academic year. Each session will run from 8:45 - 9:30 am and there will be refreshments provided.

YEAR GROUP	<u>DAY</u>
Year 5	Monday 18th September
Year 6	Thursday 21st September

HOME LEARNING:

Today, pupils in Years 1 - 6 will receive their home learning. Pupils in Years 1 and 2 will receive their home learning via Class Dojo and pupils in Key Stage 2 will receive their home learning via Google Classroom.

Regularly completing home learning has a positive impact on your child's learning and helps to give them a significant advantage.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE:

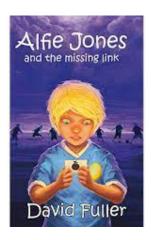
Today during Collective Worship, it was wonderful to share in the celebrations of those pupils who completed the Summer Reading Challenge.



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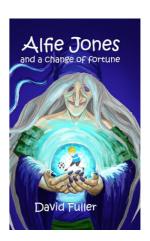
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In each newsletter, I will be making three reading recommendations. This week's recommendations are linked to Monday's author visit.









AUTHOR VISIT:

On Monday David Fuller, author of the Alfie Jones series will be visiting school. During his visit David will discuss memories of his own reading and writing experiences from his school days and his journey to eventually becoming an author. He will also talk about his books and explain why (and how) he has decided to write the types of books that he has.

To learn more about David Fuller, you can visit his website: http://www.alfie-jones.co.uk/

If you would like to pre-order a signed copy of David's books at a reduced price of £4.50 please see the attached letter and order forms. Please note payments are to be made directly to David Fuller by BACS as detailed on the letter.

To ensure your child receives their signed book please make payment and email David to confirm this, providing your child's name and class by **Sunday 17th September**.

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RED BOOK:

Each week, two pupils are entered into their class Red Book for displaying the school's Christian Value and/or for going above and beyond in their learning. The pupils listed below have been recognised in our whole school Collective Worship today.

Congratulations to:

8th September:

George A (Y1), Kaleisi S (Y1), Darcy G (Y2), Billy P (Y2), Pippa C (Y3), Theo T (Y3), Hope B-P (Y4), Skylar H (Y4), Archie-Mac S-W (Y5), Tilly S (Y5), Isla J (Y6), Maisie P (Y6)

15th September:

Aiden J (Y1), Amelia L (Y1), Casper C (Y2), Billy P (Y2), Teddy E (Y3), Lola T (Y3), Rex J-N (Y4), Joshua J (Y4), Savannah M (Y5), Elliott W (Y5), Rocco J-N (Y6), Isla J (Y6)

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like more information about why your child has been selected for the Red Book.

TESCO GRANT:

I am pleased to share that we have been successful in applying for Tesco's Stronger Starts Grant. You can support our application by using the blue tokens given out in the participating stores when you make a purchase.

Below are a list of stores where you can go and vote for South Bersted Primary School.

Bognor Main Store PO22 9ND
Bognor Station Rd Exp PO21 1QD
Aldwick Rd Bognor Exp PO21 2PE
Nyetimber Bognor Exp PO21 3QB
Bognor Regis Exp PO22 8QW
Barnham Rd Exp PO22 0ES
Bognor Regis R S Exp PO21 5AN



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DEDICATED SCHOOLS TEAM:

On Thursday 21st September and Tuesday 10th October, Nikki Hull from the Dedicated Schools Team will be in school (8.30am - 12.30pm) to meet with parents and carers. If you would like to arrange an appointment with Nikki please send a Dojo message to the office.

What is Nikki Hull's role?

My current role is as the South Bersted Primary School link worker with the Dedicated Schools Team. We aim to support schools in supporting its families by providing information, advice, and guidance to schools and to parents directly. If you have any worries or concerns, you are welcome to arrange a drop-in session to talk these through with myself. Whether these worries are around behaviour, child wellbeing, difficulties with going to school, worries around finances or support around implementing boundaries and routines we can talk through these and offer information, advice, and guidance on where to get help and support. The aim is to ensure children and families are getting the right support at the earliest opportunity.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday 18th September - Year 5 Meet and Greet (8.50-9.30am)

Monday 18th September - David Fuller Author Visit

Tuesday 19th September - Year 3 Rock Walk (PM)

Wednesday 20th September - Year 5 Outdoor Learning (PM)

Thursday 21st September - Year Meet and Greet (8.50 - 9.30am)

Thursday 21st September - Nikki Hull, Dedicated Schools Team (8.30am - 12.30pm)

LETTERS SENT HOME:

Thursday 7th September - MCAS Login (All Years)

Friday 8th September - Reading and Phonics (Year 1)

Monday 11th September - David Fuller Author Visit (Years 3-6)

Wednesday 13th September - Census Day (Reception - Year 2)

Thursday 14th September - Autumn Term Trips and Visits (Year 2)

Thursday 14th September - Flu Vaccination (All Years)