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Value: Friendship - 'Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 New Living Translation (NLT) Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble'

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It has certainly been a busy term at South Bersted Church of England Primary School. We have welcomed a number of visitors to the school including Kelly Simm, Tom's Talking Reptiles, Tyler's Trust and a number of sports leaders from The Regis and Felpham Secondary School. As well as this there have also been a number of trips across the school including the Commonwealth Service, The BIG Sing and trips to Chichester Festival Theatre. Each of these experiences help to deepen the children's understanding of their curriculum and provide them with important memories of their time at primary school.

One of my personal highlights this term has been our World Book Day Event. It was wonderful to see children across the school dressed as their favourite book character and engaging in our staff performance of The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe. Pictures of World Book Day can also be seen in this week's edition of the Bognor Regis Observer.

This week, the children have engaged in a number of Easter traditions, including the Flowering of the Cross and our Easter Egg Orienteering Course. It was lovely to see so many families attending yesterday's Easter Fayre and supporting the Friends of South Bersted in raising important funds for the school.



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SOUTH BERSTED'S GOT TALENT:

On Monday this week, pupils and staff gathered in the hall for our first South Bersted's Got Talent. It was wonderful to see the range of talents across the school; from magicians, Rubix cubers, gymnastics, singers and dancers it was a fantastic afternoon of celebration!

All pupils performed with confidence displaying the school's Christian Value of Endurance.



"When everyone showed me their talent it made me feel proud."



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"Everyone was so talented."

BOOK AWARDS:

During Collective Worship earlier this week, we held our half termly reading raffle. Congratulations to the following children who were drawn as our winners for this half term and were presented with a book:

Jack B (EYS), Jacob D (Y1), Noah J (Y2), Pippa C (Y3), Jude W (Y4), Ethan K (Y5), Zoe P (Y6)

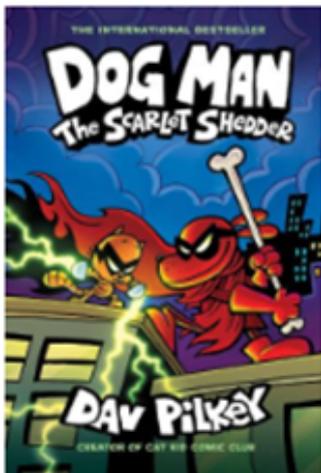
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READING:

Please remember to record in your child's reading record when you listen to them read! The information you record helps us to support your child, as we can see how often your child reads at home and which books they are reading. Please see below for this week's reading recommendations.



NUMBOTS AND TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS:

TTRS:

This Wednesday saw the end to two epic battles in KS2 with Year 3 facing off against Year 4 and Year 5 challenging Year 6. The scores for each class have improved on last time so well done to all those who earned points for their year groups.

The first battle saw **Year 4** win convincingly with over **73,000 points** compared to the total of around 17,000 for Year 3.

Year 5 also secured victory with a score of over **37,000** points compared to the 15,000 scored by Year 6.

The next battles see the two winners and runners-up fighting it off against one another with Year 4 vs Year 5 and Year 6 vs Year 3.

Numbots:

It has been really pleasing to see an increase in the number of pupils from KS1 playing Numbots. The pupils that play will learn quick fire addition and subtraction facts that set good foundations for maths as they move through KS1 and into KS2.

The winner of the most coins over the last two weeks is **Rory M (EYS)** with an amazing total of **5989 coins!!**

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CHANGE OF PE DAYS:

Next term there will be changes to the PE days for some classes as we have Jolf Golf and Sussex Cricket in school on Tuesdays delivering PE lessons. Below you will find the PE days for all year groups for the Summer term.

Reception - Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 1 - Mondays and Tuesdays

Year 2 - Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Year 3 - Tuesdays and Thursdays

Year 4 - Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 5 - Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 6 - Tuesdays and Fridays

ONLINE SAFETY:

On Wednesday of this week, I uploaded the Online Safety Presentation to Class Dojo. Please take the time to read the information on the slides and watch the video links too. If there is any information on there that you wish to discuss in further detail, please speak to your child's teacher or myself.

EASTER GARDEN:

Well done to everyone that made an Easter garden, they all looked amazing! The winners of the Easter Gardens were **Buster L (Y1)** and **Hope B-P (Y4)**.



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EASTER FAYRE:



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ATTENDANCE:

As part of our approach to improving whole school attendance, this week we presented pupils across the school with certificates in recognition of 100% attendance over the Spring Term. This term, 45 pupils had an attendance of 100%. This is an increase of 7 pupils on the Autumn Term.

Congratulations to **Emily K** who was the winner of this term's attendance raffle. Yesterday, Emily was presented with a prize of art supplies.

As a school, we are aiming for our whole school attendance to be at 96%.

Below is the table showing year group attendance of the Spring Term. Congratulations to **Penguin Class** who have the highest attendance across the term.

| Class | Spring Term Attendance |
|-----------|------------------------|
| Reception | 96.20% |
| Year 1 | 93.60% |
| Year 2 | 92.70% |
| Year 3 | 91.10% |
| Year 4 | 95.80% |
| Year 5 | 95.70% |
| Year 6 | 92.50% |

PERSISTENT ABSENCE:

When a child's attendance is below 90%, this is identified as persistent absence. Over an academic year, attendance of 90% is equal to 19 days absent from school (almost 4 weeks).

MONITORING YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE:

You can view your child's attendance by logging onto your MCAS app. Your child's attendance is represented as a pie chart.

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LETTERS HOME:

Notifications will be sent out via MCAS today with details of which club your child has a place in. Please note that if you do not receive a message about a club then your child has not been allocated a place in that particular club. If you have selected an external club for your child to take part in please ensure that you have booked and paid for the club directly with them. For all external clubs you will receive confirmation of your child's place directly from the provider.

LETTERS HOME:

- 26th March - Parent Governor Vacancy (All Years)
- 27th March - South Bersted Sports Newsletter (All Years)
- 27th March - Online Safety Newsletter - April 2024 (All Years)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Friday 29th March - GOOD FRIDAY
- Monday 15th April - INSET DAY
- Tuesday 16th April - FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM (8.35am)
- Friday 19th April - Church Service (9.00-10.00am)
- Monday 22nd April - Year 1 Outdoor Learning (PM)
- Friday 26th April - RLNI Visiting School
- Friday 26th April - Future Flyers (Various)

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