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Friday 31st March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Monday we had a visit from Tony Charles Master Maths Magician. Throughout the day the children experienced Magic shows where they were entertained with a variety of tricks. In the afternoon the older children were treated to workshops with Tony during which they were shown the maths behind the magic and they had the opportunity to become magicians and perform some tricks of their own. During the rest of the day the classes all experienced an assortment of maths activities in and around the school including treasure hunts, Easter problem solving tasks, orienteering, designing and playing games and cracking codes. It was a busy fun-filled day! I've like to thank Mrs Cork and Miss J Smith for their work in organising this across the school and, of course, the teachers for planning their own math activities.

During Year One's class worships they shared their Science learning about animals, focusing on blue whales and butterflies. They looked fabulous dressed as animals and shared their lines, their jokes and songs brilliantly. Thank you to all the Year 1 staff and I hope that our parents enjoyed seeing their children present their learning.

House Competition

There was a great deal of excitement in the hall on Thursday afternoon when the children were told about the new houses and Mr Wren introduced the first of our inter-house competitions – Bridge in Spring. This will be the first of, what will hopefully be a range of inter-house competitions over the course of the year.

Bridge Bees BASC

Just a reminder that booking for Bridge Bees BASC is now open and I would encourage all parents who need this facility to book as soon as possible. Last term, we had a number of parents who had not booked and this meant that we weren't always able to accommodate bookings at the last minute. If we know of specific days that are over-subscribed before Easter, we can try and get additional staff but this is very difficult to do at short notice.

Upcoming Events

Easter Services

When we return in April, we will be taking the children to the church for an Easter Service. This will be on Wednesday 19th April and we would like to invite parents to join us. There will be two services and the split is given below, please do feel free to join us at one (or both) of these services.

9.30am	RKG	1LA	2GD	3JA	4AH	5JS	6JP
10.30am	RGR	1CJ	2SA	3LC	4ST	5HA	6JW

Bridge Parish Coronation Afternoon Tea

The parish council are organising a celebratory afternoon tea on the Recreation Ground to coincide with the additional Bank Holiday Monday and are seeking volunteers to help organise and run the event. We are also planning to have our school choir there performing some songs appropriate to the occasion. If you can support please contact the clerk of the parish council via email on clerk@bridgevillage.org.uk or via phone (see poster below).

Dates for your diary

Bridge SportsFest: Saturday 20th May, 10am
Bridge Music Proms: Thursday 25th May, 1pm
Bridge Village Fete: Saturday 24th June, 12pm to 4pm
KS1 Sports Afternoon: Monday 3rd July, 1pm
KS2 Sports Afternoon: Friday 7th July, 1pm
Year 6 Production: Wednesday 12th July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm
Year 6 Production: Thursday 13th July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly: Friday 21st July, 2pm

Joyce

Thank you to everyone who has handed in a birthday card for Joyce – we will get these delivered to her over the break and I have no doubt that they will bring a smile to her face.

With very best wishes,

James Tibbles

Celebration

Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

- ☆ **Nessa (RKG)** for outstanding independence and creativity when writing about our journey to the Beaney. *Miss Goddard*
- ☆ **Helena M (RGR)** for demonstrating such enthusiasm for writing and creative activities. *Mr Redpath*
- ☆ **Ella C (1CJ)** - for always doing her best and being a fabulous magician's assistant. *Mrs Cork & Mrs Usher*
- ☆ **Esme W (1LA)** for overcoming her nerves and giving a great performance in our 1LA assembly this week. *Miss Andrews*
- ☆ **Camilla D (2SA)** for a super recount of our trip to Deal Castle. *Mrs Amelia*
- ☆ **Elara T-S (2GD)** for her amazing work on castles this term including a detailed recount and fact file on Deal Castle. *Mrs Dennett*
- ☆ **Akira (2GD)** for a super recount of our trip to Deal Castle. *Mrs Upton*
- ☆ **Thomas R (3JA)** for an excellent recount of the events of Holy Week in RE. *Mr Ablett*
- ☆ **Ella W (3LC)** for showing resilience in her fraction work in maths and being polite to staff and children. *Mr Chamberlain*
- ☆ **Niamh R (4AH)** for your wonderful piece of independent writing describing the setting of Pompeii. *Miss Ramsden*
- ☆ **Imogen M (4ST)** for challenging herself in her maths and becoming confident working with fractions. *Mrs Tomsett*
- ☆ **Pihu D (5HA)** for always giving 100% and being a warm, friendly, reliable member of the class. *Miss McInnes*
- ☆ **Hattie H (5JS)** for giving 100% in everything you do and producing a fab newspaper report about Beowulf and the sea-hag. *Miss J Smith*
- ☆ **Elliot R (6JP)** for his excellent presentation on his PADI diving qualification . *Mr Perfect*
- ☆ **Charlie B-J (6JW)** for persevering at swimming and successfully completing 25 metres. *Mr Wren*

News and Blogs

There have been a lot of blog posts published this week with both **3JA and 3LC going on visit Tankerton beach**, lots of **information about forest school**, the return of the **Bridge Times** journalists and the success of six artists in Year 6 who created a 'coronation bench' **which was a runner up in a national competition**.

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3JA Beach Trip

On Tuesday, 3JA visited Tankerton beach for some activities that were

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The Bridge Times Newspaper is BACK!

We are delighted to see that four

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Year 5 Forest School Term 5 2023

This term has been filled with new

Upcoming Dates

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

CALENDAR >

Monday 17th Apr	Year 5 Anglo-Saxon Workshop	
Tuesday 18th Apr		
Wednesday 19th Apr	Easter Services at Church (parents invited)	
Thursday 20th Apr	Year 5 swimming	
Friday 21st Apr		PTA Spring Disco

Monday 24th Apr	Year 5 Bikeability (all week)
Tuesday 25th Apr	Year 4 Forest School Day
Wednesday 26th Apr	
Thursday 27th Apr	Year 5 Swimming
Friday 28th Apr	

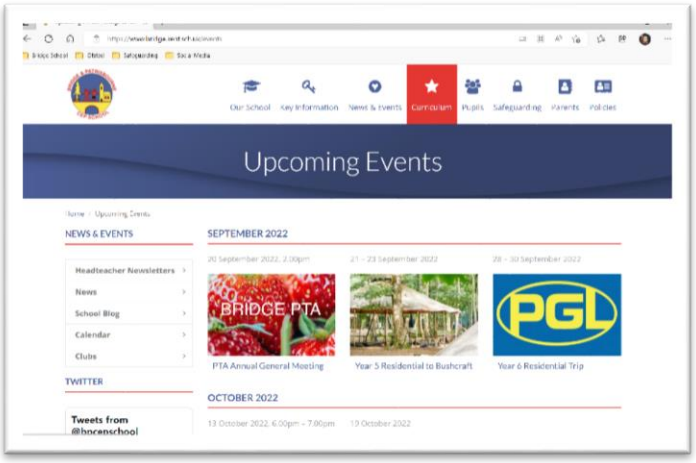
Monday 1st May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2nd May	Year 4/5 Art Trip
Wednesday 3rd May	
Thursday 4th May	Year 5 Swimming
Friday 5th May	School Photographer (Class photos)

Events for Parents

I know that parents appreciate a great deal of notice for significant events in the school calendar and therefore we have created an **events** page on our school website which has important dates for the whole school year.

We will do our very best to ensure that the dates published on the website are adhered to but there may be circumstances outside our control which means that there are changes.

If there are dates of other events you would like to know then please ask and we will publish these as well.



Dogs Trust Workshops

In a few weeks' time, we will be welcoming the Dog's Trust to school who will be leading workshops with the children. In the meantime, they are holding a free dog safety workshop at their centre near Chestfield.

Wednesday 12th April (2pm – 3.30pm approx.): Family workshop (& hopefully a tour of the centre)

Canterbury Rehoming Centre (nearer Whitstable!)
Radfall Road
Chestfield
Kent
CT5 3ER

Email Philip Marsh Philip.Marsh@dogstrust.org.uk for more information and to book a space.