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Dear Parents/Carers,

A quick communication before we finish for February Half Term with a couple of key messages, reminders and feedback in preparation for start of the Spring 2 term.

Staffing

We are delighted to share with you that Miss Waring-Collins and Miss Lawrence have secured permanent contracts at BVPS. They are such valuable members of our school community and we are glad they will be staying with us.

Vacancies



We have a couple of vacancies in school for support staff please see the [website](#) if you would like further information or you know someone who is looking for a new role.

Grounds Maintenance

We want to make sure our neighbourhood remains a safe, bright, and welcoming place for everyone. As part of essential maintenance, we'll be removing the large trees at the front of school and pruning some trees on our boundary over the half term. Over time, these trees have grown very tall, blocking natural light and causing concerns about safety for local homes, including the impact of roots on nearby paths and buildings. By carefully managing them, we can protect our community spaces while keeping the area looking its best. We understand how important green spaces are to our community, and we'll do this work environmentally, with minimal disruption.

World Book Day – Thursday 6th March 2025

Although, World Book Day is an excellent opportunity to promote reading for a day, we have decided this will be our focus for next half term.

In World Book week, we have lots of exciting activities planned, including author workshops and the



return of the Travelling Books Book Fair. The children can use the World Book Day tokens as a reduction in the price of a book.

The theme of WBD is 'Read Your Way', which will be a focus on promoting reading for pleasure with the children. We are inviting children to come dressed as one of their favourite book characters and if they have the actual book to bring this into school. We will be providing them opportunities to

talk about their favourite books.

Parents' Evening

The Spring Term Parents' Evenings will be held on Wednesday 5th March – 3:45pm – 6:05pm & Wednesday 12th March – 3:45pm – 6:05pm. Please make an appointment for one of the sessions.

Please note that Parents' Evening for **Year 5 only** will be on Monday 3rd March 2:00pm – 5:15pm and Wednesday 5th March 3:45pm – 6:05pm.

This meeting is designed for **parents and teachers only** to discuss their child's attitude to learning, progress made this year, achievement towards the end of year expectation and personal targets. If you can't attend one of these dates, please contact the teacher or the school office to make alternative arrangements. <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/ELFN>

Come Learn With Me

Thank you to everyone who attended one of the Come Learn with Me Sessions, it was lovely to see so many adults being active with their children and learning more about our school focus around Physical Literacy. Don't forget to keep practising the skills at home.

Feedback summary:

Engaging and Fun Experience – Parents and children enjoyed the activities, laughed, and had fun together.

Informative and Well-Presented – The session provided useful information on PE, physical development, and learning, with clear explanations.

Importance of Physical Activity – Helped parents/carers understand how PE supports skills like handwriting, coordination, and overall development.

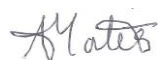
Screen Time Awareness – Encouraged reflection on screen time and provided useful tips on balancing it with physical activity.

Hands-On and Interactive – Parents/carers appreciated the opportunity to get involved, try new things, and see children's progress firsthand.

Practical Takeaways – Provided exercises, activities, and techniques to continue supporting children's learning at home.

We hope you have a lovely restful half term, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 24th February at 8:45am for the start of a very exciting term, with many new projects.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Yates

Headteacher