



17th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of the penultimate week of our first half term back at school we have so much to celebrate at Bruton Primary.

We have had a very busy last few weeks; Some of our Year 6 pupils took part in the two-day Bikeability course, Years 3 and 4 enjoyed a visit to St Mary's Church where they heard Reverend Jonathan speak about Christian Baptism, as well as a trip to the Earth Science Centre, some of our KS2 children took part in the first cross-country event of the season at Millfield and Year 1 and 2 took part in Taekwondo workshops — just a few highlights from a packed and enriching start to the school year!

Last Friday saw us all coming together for our Harvest Festival – thank you for all your contributions that you made to our collection. The food has been collected by Bruton Food Bank and will go a long way to supporting families who need support at this time. We had some great new songs this year which the children really enjoyed learning and performing.

Our Parents' evenings this week went very well - thank you to all the parents who made appointments – we were superbly on time with our very efficient year six children who welcomed parents and carers, gave out books and organised us all. We are incredibly proud of them!

We wish you all a lovely weekend and a wonderful half term when it arrives. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 4th November.

Mrs Bisset and Miss Giles

Executive Head & Head of School

Head Boy, Head Girl & School Prefects

We are delighted to announce our team of Year 6 Prefects.

Head Boy: Wren **Head Girl:** Matilda

Deputy Head Boy: Lewi & Tal **Deputy Head Girl:** Annabelle & Cleo

Prefects: Amelia, Rosie, Isla, Evie, Olivia, Martha, Kaitlyn, Ivy, Wren, Florence, Finley, Billie, Freda, Esther, Zara and Mollie.

We had lots of applications and we are extremely proud of the children for the incredibly high standard of their applications. The time and care the children had taken was clear to see and their creativity and inspiring ideas conveyed with such enthusiasm was a joy to hear. Well done to all who applied.



WHOLE SCHOOL



Harvest Festival



Wear it Yellow for



Our community came together in a bright show of support wearing yellow and donating generously for St Margaret's Hospice last Friday. Every splash of yellow made a difference and we raised a brilliant £208.21 for this amazing charity, who have helped many local families.



EYFS & KEY STAGE ONE

Hauser & Wirth Big Draw Festival

Hauser and Wirth invited us to participate in a workshop as part of The Big Draw drawing festival. Year One took part and investigated the sculptures and drawings by the artist Niki de Saint and Jean Tinguely and especially looked at the emotion in the figures. They all thoroughly enjoyed it.



DEBBIE HILL—TAEKWONDO WORKSHOPS

A big thank you to Debbie Hill from WGS Taekwondo for delivering engaging Taekwondo workshops for the children in Cuckoo, Dove, and Eagle classes. The workshops linked to our superhero quest and were energetic, educational, and full of fun!



KEY STAGE TWO

Bo Lee & Workman Exhibition

Our Year 3 & 4 children had the opportunity to visit the current exhibition at Bo Lee & Workman: Playscape, an immersive sculptural installation by Adeline de Monseignat. This relates to our Quest, 'Forces Beneath our Feet' as all of the sculptures are made out of rocks. The children then created their own artwork inspired by the artist.



Ansford Head of Science Visit

Last week, Ibis and Kingfisher were thrilled to welcome Hayden Kershaw, Head of Science from Ansford Academy, who joined us for a very special science lesson. Children had the unique opportunity to take part in a hands-on dissection of a pig's heart. With expert guidance, pupils were able to identify key features such as the chambers, valves, and major blood vessels. A huge thank you to Mr Kershaw for his time, enthusiasm, and expertise—it was a fantastic opportunity for our children to explore biology in such a practical and inspiring way.



KEY STAGE TWO

Earth Science Centre

Over the last few weeks, our Year 3 & 4 children have been visiting the Earth Science Centre in Somerset. The trips have been packed with hands-on learning, from fossil hunting and rock identification to exploring a real working quarry. The children had the opportunity to apply their classroom knowledge in a real-world setting. A big thank you to the Centre's staff for their engaging workshops, the parent helpers who gave up their time to make these visits happen and to our curious children for asking great questions throughout the day!



SPORTING EVENTS

Tag Rugby Tournament at King Arthur's

On Thursday afternoon, some of our KS2 children represented the school at a Tag Rugby event hosted by King Arthur's school. This was the first sporting tournament for local primary schools of the school calendar year. Mrs Newbury was very proud of the sportsmanship, respect and fair play the children demonstrated throughout the afternoon. We won 3 out of the 4 games played. Congratulations to all our players for their excellent sporting conduct during the tournament.



CROSS COUNTRY EVENT AT MILLFIELD

A huge congratulations to our amazing cross country runners who took part in the event at Millfield last Tuesday! Everyone gave it their all and ran brilliantly.

A special shout-out goes to Agnes, Milly, Lenny, Oscar, and Casper, who all finished in the top 20 of their categories – an impressive achievement with over 100 runners competing!

A particular mention goes to Leo, who delivered an outstanding performance to place 5th in his category!

Starting Primary or Secondary School Next September (2026)

If your child is due to start or transfer school in September 2026, it is now time to make your application.

Primary Phase Applications: The application window opens on 15th September and closes on 15th January 2025.

Secondary Phase Applications: The application window opened on 15th September and closes on 31st October 2024.

Click on the links below for further information and to apply.

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/applying-for-school/apply-to-start-school-for-the-first-time/>

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/applying-for-school/starting-at-a-secondary-or-upper-school-in-september/>

If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact the **School Admissions Team** at Somerset County Council (see poster below for details)

Somerset Direct - 0300 123 2224

schooladmissions@somerset.gov.uk

<https://www.facebook.com/Somersetschooladmissions/>

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about a child the Designated Safeguarding Lead for Bruton Primary School is Mrs Rachael Bisset. To report a child at risk please contact Children's Social Care – 0300 123 2224

Or contact them via children@somerset.gov.uk