



20th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to Bruton Primary School after what we hope was a restful Summer break. A particularly warm welcome to our new children and families. We hope that you will quickly get to meet some new friends and enjoy your time at Bruton Primary. Our Reception children and other new children across the school have already made an excellent start to school life (see photos below) and we hope that our Year 6 children from last year are settling in well at their new schools. A huge thank you from Mrs Bisset, myself and all of the staff for the generous cards and gifts at the end of the summer term. We are very grateful for all of your kind words and good wishes.

As we start the new school year, we would like to thank you for your continuing support of your child's education. Working together will ensure that children thrive, enjoy school and are well prepared for the future. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you wish to discuss anything that may affect your child's education.

Quests this half term

Auklet and Barn Owl (EYFS): Friendships

Cuckoo, Dove and Eagle (Years 1 and 2): Marvellous Mapping

Falcon, Goldfinch and Hawk (Years 3 and 4): The Digestive System

Ibis and Kingfisher (Years 5 and 6) : World War Two

Our learning behaviour for this half term is Being Responsible. As part of this, the children looked at what Being Responsible means and their learning has been displayed in the main foyer of the school. This year key stage 2 will continue to be responsible for a specific role or area within the school and this will rotate throughout the year and they are rising to the challenge!

This year we have decided to have phase Family Learning sessions throughout the year rather than one afternoon to ensure that time can be spent with 1 child rather than parents trying to spread an afternoon between different classes. Specific dates for these events will be sent out shortly.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Bisset and Mrs House
Executive Head & Head of Schools

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

Photos from our first few weeks in Auklet and Barn Owl



Starting Primary or Secondary School Next September (2025)

If your child is due to start or transfer school in September 2025, it is now time to make your application.

Primary Phase Applications: The application window opens on 30th September and closes on 15th January 2025.

Secondary Phase Applications: The application window opened on 16th 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.

Attendance

This term's whole school attendance so far is: 96%. A great start!!

Can we remind all parents that school drop off is between 8:45am and 9.00am. Our school gates close at 9.00am.

If you arrive after this time, you will need to sign your child in at Reception. If you arrive after 9.00am your child will receive a late mark, if after 9.10am, the absence will be marked as unauthorised.

Contact Sheets and Permission Forms

To ensure we hold up to date and accurate information for you and your child, Contact Information Sheets and Permission Forms have been sent home with children in years 1 to 6.



If you have not done so already, please complete the forms and return to the school office by **Friday 27th September**. Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY

All unnamed lost property can be found on the dining room veranda behind the main carpark. If you are missing an item of clothing, please have a rummage.

If an item of clothing is named, it will make it's way back to your child.

Please can we remind parents to label all items of clothing, bags, bottles and pots with your child's name. Everyday we collect a huge amount of discarded jumpers and coats and we would love to be able to reunite with it's owner!

Dolls House Furniture Request

If you have any dolls house furniture surplus to requirements, we would love any donations for our Reception children to play with. Please drop any donations into the school office. Thank you!



Correct School Uniform & PE Kit		
School Uniform	Grey trousers/shorts/skirt with light blue polo shirt and navy blue cardigan or jumper or gingham blue check summer dress, black shoes or black smart flat heeled ankle boots (No trainers)	
PE kit	Navy blue t-shirt and shorts. Navy blue tracksuit bottoms/leggings when the weather is cooler with a navy fleece or school jumper. Children are not to wear bright coloured leggings/tracksuit bottoms or hoodies – school jumpers can be worn with PE kit in the absence of a school or plain blue fleece	
Hair	ALL hair below the shoulders (boys and girls) should be tied up or back. If your child arrives at school without their hair tied up or back they will be provided with a hair band to do so	
Jewellery	Only watches and small stud earrings are permitted. Children will be required to remove earrings during PE lessons. If earrings cannot be removed, they will be taped.	

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Brue Larder Fundraiser

To raise money for the Brue Larder,
on Saturday 21st September
11am – 3.30pm

Raffle

Hair braids

Mini Disco for U8's

Treasure Hunt

River splash

Zip Wire, High Ropes and
more ...

Homemade cakes, teas
and coffees, ice cream
and bacon butties all day
served in the Longhouse

All welcome

Family Fun Day



MILL ON THE BRUE
outdoor activity centre

GOOD HABITS

AWARD WINNING INDIE-FOLK FUSION

"Captivating"
Songlines

"Musicianship at its
21st Century best"

Tom Robinson
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The Morning Star



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Thursday 17 October, 6.30 pm
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**Next Start date
30th September**

CACHE Certificate in Understanding
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Levels 1, 2 & 3

**Six Week
Course**

Mon - Fri

9:30 - 11:30am

12:30 - 2:30pm

4 - 4:30pm

**(last optional session for
reflection and support if needed)**