



Bude Primary Academy

Head of School – Mr James Pritchard

Friday 23rd January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Empathy, Inclusion and Accessibility

It has been a week full of energy and purpose, and we are always proud to see our children demonstrating empathy and kindness towards one another. A heartfelt well done to everyone for helping to build a school environment where inclusion is at the heart of everything we do together.

As the weather has turned wetter, we have noticed—and received requests from our community about—an increase in traffic around the school gates. We understand that the rain makes the journey harder, but we must ensure that our parking habits do not negatively impact others.

Specifically, we have had reports of Disabled parking zones being blocked. Our core value this term is Respect, and it is vital that this extends to ensuring equal access for every family in our school community.

Please help us keep these essential spaces free so that no one is prevented from accessing the school safely. While we do liaise with our community Police support team, we believe that we can rely on our shared sense of responsibility to resolve this. By working **together**, we ensure everyone is **Ready, Respectful, and Safe**.



Internet Safety - WhatsApp Safety Tip: Managing Group Invitations

Did you know you can control who is allowed to add you to WhatsApp groups? To help stay in control of your / your child's digital privacy, we recommend updating your settings so you aren't added to groups without your permission.



Simply go to Settings > Privacy > Groups and select "My Contacts." This ensures that only people you know can add you directly. If someone who isn't in your contacts tries to add you, they will have to send you a private invite link instead, giving you the choice to accept or decline. It only takes a moment to update and is a great way to manage notifications and privacy!



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Small Acts, Big Impact

In our assemblies this half term, we are exploring the theme of **Responsibility** and our collective duty to protect the planet for future generations. We have been discussing the power of the 'ripple effect'—how one small act, such as picking up a single piece of litter at Summerleaze Beach, can inspire a chain reaction of positive change within our community.

The Responsibility Challenge! We want to see our pupils in action!

Send in your photos of your child making a positive difference in Bude. Are they:

- Litter picking?
- Fundraising for local charities?
- Saving energy at home?
- Helping our environment?



Stars of the Week

A huge congratulations to our Star Learners who continue to demonstrate exactly how Creativity, Reflection, Empathy, Independence, Resilience, and Curiosity allow us to flourish in the classroom. By demonstrating such positive conduct so early in the term, they have set a wonderful standard for us all, reminding our community that we achieve our best when we are Ready, Respectful, and Safe – Together.





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PE Days – Spring 1

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 4	Year 4	Year 3	Year 5 – Widemouth	Year 3
Year 5 – Crackington		Year 6	Poppy class	Year 5 - both

Diary dates

Friday 6 th February	Y4 River Strat trip (morning only)
WC 9 th February	Meet the Teacher Meetings – information coming soon
Friday 13 th February	End of Spring 1
Monday 23 rd February	Start of Spring 2
Thursday 26 th February	Multiplication workshop for Y3 & Y4 pupils and parents – 8.30am in the hall
Thursday 12 th – Friday 13 th March	Year 4 Plymouth residential – payments required on ParentPay
Thursday 2 nd April	End of Spring 2
WC 18 th May	Year 5 Carnyorth Residential – payments required on ParentPay
Wednesday 1 st July – Friday 3 rd July	Year 6 Bristol Residential – payments required on ParentPay



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Are you ready to Rock? Year 3 & 4 Times Table Workshop!

Calling all Year 3 and Year 4 Parents and Carers! We'd love for you to join us for a fun, fast-paced workshop to see how we master our delivery of times tables here at Bude Juniors.

When: Thursday, 26th February

Time: 8:30am – 9am

Where: Enter via the School Office



Why come along?

- TTRS in Action: See how we use Times Table Rockstars to build confidence and speed.
- Play Along: Take on some challenges and play alongside your child!
- MTC Info: Learn more about the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) coming up this June for Year 4 (and June 2027 for Year 3).

We promise to have you wrapped up by 9am so you can get on with your day. It's a great way to see what your children are working on and how you can support them at home. We hope to see you there!



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Dyslexia Screenings

Did you find learning challenging at school? Has your child's teacher talked to you about support for your child's reading/writing, or about carrying out a Dyslexia screening test and you've thought, "I wonder if I'm dyslexic?"

Dyslexia Cornwall are a charity, who have just started offering a completely free Dyslexia Screening service to adults, which comes with supportive mentoring sessions to understand your barriers to learning. They will help teach you strategies to overcome any challenges and help improve your confidence as a reader/writer.

For further information, you can have a look at their website <https://www.dyslexiacornwall.org.uk/am-i-dyslexic/> or call their Dyslexia advice helpline on 07716 639375.

Supporting our Community: Adult Reading Support

Do you know an adult who might need a little extra support with their reading? Whether they are starting from scratch or just want to build more confidence, there is help available.

The charity ReadEasy provides FREE, 1:1 adult reading coaching. It is a completely confidential service run by dyslexia-trained specialists who have years of experience.

The Details: Cost: Completely FREE. Time: Two 30-minute sessions per week.

If this makes you think of a friend or family member, please chat with them about it. You can refer directly through the ReadEasy website, or you can speak in confidence to our staff:

Ruby Wheldon-Lown (SENDCo) or Emma Thomas (Family Support Advisor)

They are here to help and can handle the referral process for you. Let's work together to help everyone in our community find the joy in reading!



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Bude Leisure Centre

**SWIMMING
LESSONS**

ROOKIE LIFEGUARD

**WILL COMMENCE ON THURSDAY
29TH JANUARY 2026**

The Rookie Lifeguard Pool programme teaches children interchangeable skills that help build their confidence, promote teamwork, and foster leadership skills.

Rookie Pool Lifeguards develop the basic survival, rescue and lifesaving skills that will empower them to respond effectively in emergency situations.

18.00pm - 18.45pm

THURSDAYS

8 Year olds and above - £43.00 per month

<https://betterflow.courseprogress.co.uk/login>