



Dartmoor
MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

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A creative approach to learning where all pupils can succeed

Newsletter Friday 8th October

This week's
attendance
was:
86.40%

Remember to book your child's school dinners for the coming week!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the last week we have opened the doors of Boasley to our community and on behalf of the children and staff, I would like to thank everyone who came along to support both events.



Last Friday afternoon, we held our very first 'Book and Biscuit' session. This was an opportunity for parents of Littlemoor children to come in and read with their children. In Oketor the children were sharing the maths learning with their parents, explaining the importance of active maths to demonstrate their understanding.



The children across the school use a maths MICE approach to their learning (Manipulative, Images, Calculations and Explanations); it was lovely to see the key stage 2 children sharing how they have developed their understanding using this approach with the learning they this half term. We hope to develop

have completed our Book and Biscuit sessions further, giving parents the opportunity to look at a range of subjects the children have been exploring and the learning they have been completing to show their understanding. We hope to have some feedback stickers prepared for next week's session so that parents can leave a comment in their child/ren's books.

On Monday afternoon, we had the grand opening of our 'Morris family' Forest School Shelter which has been very kindly donated and built by the Morris family. This shelter is already used by many of the children across the school and provides an opportunity to develop a range of skills in our fantastic outside learning environment. The DMAT have signed up to receive support from The Devon Wildlife Trust who have been out to look at our wonderful range of outdoor spaces. We hope to begin working alongside the rangers soon to integrate a program to support

teaching and learning in our outdoor learning environment. A huge thank you to all our parents who donated to and offered support constructing our lovely sensory garden. This calming space will be used across the whole school and support the children's development of the wider curriculum. Without your support this would not have been possible; once again thank you.



Our school leadership team groups have met this week to discuss their action plan and priorities for this academic year. Our librarians wanted to raise the profile of reading across the school and are excited to launch their 'Reading in Unusual Places' competition.

They would like every child to send in a photo of themselves reading in an unusual place to admin@boasleyprimary.org.uk. Closing date is Thursday 21st October with a winner in each class being announced during our celebration assembly on the last day of this half term, Friday 22nd. All the children's photographs will be displayed in the school library for children to look at during break and lunch time, we hope everyone will get involved.

Our keen sports leaders have been speaking to the children to find out what they would like to see more of, in our after-school provision and on the playground during break and lunchtimes. We have discussed completing an audit of resources and throwing away damaged sports equipment and replacing it with new resources that the children have been involved in selecting. After half term we will look at how we can work alongside other schools to developing sporting events within our Moorland Hub as well as across the wider DMAT community.

SCHOOL COUNCIL GROUP

I am so proud of how the children have collaborated, sharing ideas and suggestions of how they see their group developing. They will be sharing updates every week in our celebration assembly as well as our weekly newsletters.

Just a reminder that all staff are available at the end of each school day if you have anything you wish to discuss. If you would like to meet with your child's teacher separately, please speak to Mrs Davey in the office who will be happy to make an appointment with your child's teacher. As you can appreciate staff are busy during the day with teaching and learning, so communication is better in person rather than through email going forward. Thank you for your support.

Hope you all have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Cook

School council news.....Our school council led this week's Pupil Voice assembly where they introduced their first 'Council Question.' The question that school councillors would like children to consider this week is... Do you feel safe at school?

The school council helped the children to generate a list of the different ways in which we all help to keep each other safe at school, you may like to chat with your/children at home to further support their ideas.

School Councillors will be collecting responses to their question next week and we will publish our findings in next week's newsletter. Mrs Ogborne

Notice Board



World Mental Health Day- #HelloYellow



A fantastic £66.40 was raised today for World Mental Health Day #Hello Yellow - thank you for your support in helping the mental health of young minds.

This term has heralded some changes within our PTA, Friends of Boasley Cross School (FOBCS) family; we welcome Jennie Glanville as Chair and Susan Turner Treasurer. Both Jennie and Susan, along with the other FOBCS members, have already started planning some fund-raising activities, details attached, which we hope you will be able to support.

We want to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Tiff Perry and Rachel Holden, outgoing Chair and Treasurer, for their unflagging hard work over the years. We truly appreciate all you have done to enrich the opportunities for the children of Boasley Cross. Thank you.....

OFFICE HOURS

Monday/Wednesday/Friday 8.30am to 3pm

Tuesday/Thursday 8.30am to 12pm

Please advise the office by 12pm if your child's 'going home' arrangements are to change for the day so that this can be logged for safeguarding purposes.

School Diary

October 2021

Monday 11th	Harvest assembly FOBCS Sponsored Walk money due in school
Tuesday 12th	KS2 Netball after school club
Wednesday 13th	KS1 Environmental & KS2 Martial Arts after school clubs
Thursday 14th	KS1 Multi Skills after school club
Friday 15th	FOBCS Bags2Schools collection 9am Book and Biscuit 2.15pm & Celebration Assembly 2.40pm

FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES

- 11th October - Harvest Assembly
- 15th October – FOBCS Bag2School collection – please put bags in the bus shelter outside school by 9am on the day
- 22nd October– FOBCS Halloween disco 4-5.30pm Bratton Clovelly Parish Hall tickets now available from the school office £3.50 each
- 25th to 29th October - Half Term
- 1st November – All pupils return
- 9th November– Theatre Alibi visit
- 14th December – Christmas dinner
- 15th December KS2 Northcott Theatre trip
- 16th December – Christmas Nativity

FOBCS

A big thank you to everyone who attended and supported the sponsored walk in aid of FOBS. The total amount raised was £481.80. THANK YOU!!

It was great to see so many of you! A reminder that any further sponsorship money should be handed to the school office by Monday 11th October please.

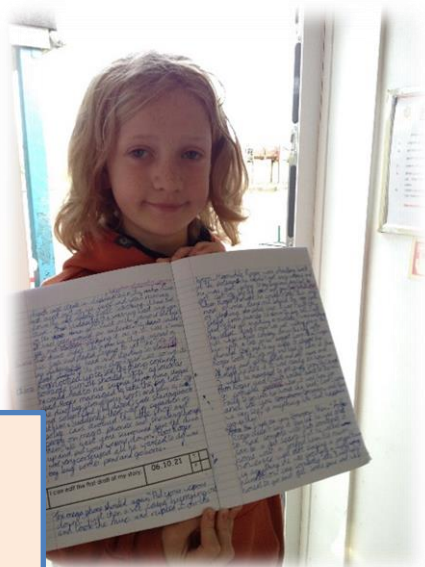




Our Star Learners this week

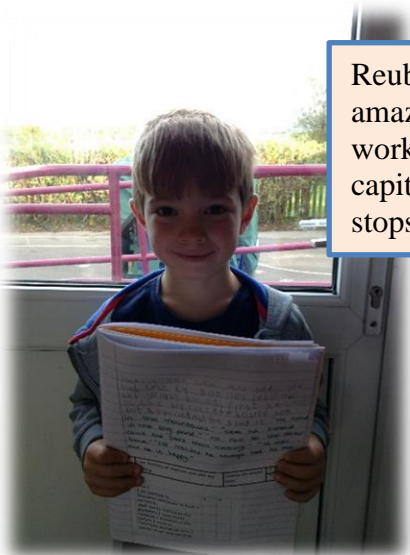


Clara for her consistent enthusiasm to learn within all areas of the curriculum.

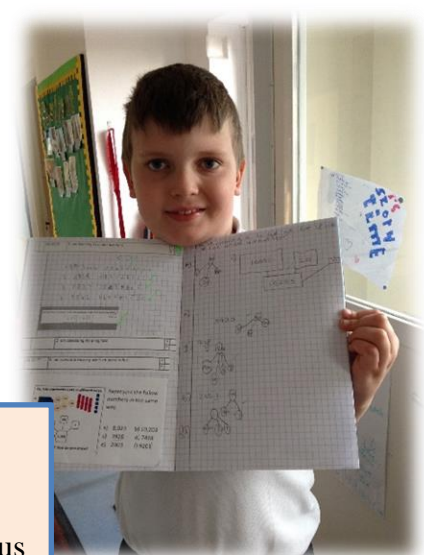


Stan for an amazing story based on our class text, with fantastic ideas and editing skills.

Our School Value Certificates this week



Reuben for displaying amazing resilience in working so hard to use capital letters and full stops in his writing.



Hywel for showing fantastic resilience, especially in Maths and achieving fabulous work.



Friends of Boasley Cross School fundraiser

Bag2School

Do you have any unwanted clothing or linen?

Please help us raise money for Boasley Cross Primary School by dropping your bagged items **before 9am on the 15th of October** at our school.

Bag2School



Accepted items:

- ✓ Men's, ladies' and children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes, belts
- ✓ Handbags, hats, bags
- ✓ Scarves, ties, jewellery
- ✓ Soft toys, lingerie, socks
- ✓ Household linen, curtains, towels
- ✓ Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Our next **Bag2School** collection has been arranged for

15th October

Bag2School pay Friends of Boasley Cross School (FOBCS) per kg for donated goods, so the more we collect the more money we raise.

Please encourage anyone you know to donate. Thank you!

www.bag2school.com

HALLOWEEN DISCO

for Boasley Cross Primary School

Spooky Dress

22nd OCT



4PM-5.30PM

Bratton Clovelly Parish Hall.

£3.50 PER TICKET

INCLUDES HOT DOG, CHIPS AND SQUASH.

With special thanks to the Clovelly Inn

Please allocate a responsible adult to stay in our

Zombie Free Parent Zone

Tea and cake will be available to purchase.

Younger siblings welcome

Tickets available from Boasley Cross School.



Event organised by the Friends of Boasley Cross School (FOBCS), raising money for Boasley Cross Primary School.

Adults must stay during event and remain responsible for their own children throughout the event.

Message from Dan Morrow – Trust Leader – Trust rename

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to provide feedback on the Trust's proposal to review its name. We value your honesty and engagement. The purpose of such consultation is to listen to all views and respond.

What is clear from feedback received is that whilst the rename will be an exciting project for the entire Trust community, the focus on post-Covid recovery for our pupils is the top priority right now. We have listened. As a result, we have taken the decision to pause this project until after Easter 2022 at which point, we will be able to reassess timing and plans. I'd like to assure you that the excellent ideas and suggestions you have already shared with us via our survey will be taken forward when we come back to this, and we very much looking forward to working with all of you on this at a more appropriate time.

Best wishes
Dan Morrow
Trust Leader



Treetops
Breakfast
and
Afterschool Club

Our sessions
We are open 5 days a week 38 weeks of the year
Breakfast Club 7.45am – 9.00am £5.50 per school child
Afterschool Club school end – 6pm £9.00 per school child
Small contribution towards journeys from outlying schools is payable if a car is needed to collect.

Our Activities

- ✓ Arts and Craft
- ✓ Baking
- ✓ Problem solving games
- ✓ Wide games
- ✓ Movie nights

