



BAMPTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

A message from Mr Bladon:

Firstly – well done to all our Year 6s. You all showed great maturity in taking on the SATs, had a positive attitude and brilliant mindset. Mr Gill and I were really impressed with you all.

Yesterday I had the pleasure of taking some of our KS2 children to the North Devon **Aquathlon** in Ilfracombe. This competition is a tough one, with a long swim followed by a run! Again, I would like to say well done to all of those children – you took part with great maturity and “can do” attitude. I was also complimented by other schools on your behaviour and I was proud of you all. Mrs Jones was incredibly proud to be there too and said how impressed she was with all of you.

Otter Class has had an exciting week with the hatching of their **chicks!** You can see some pictures on [Twitter](#). It's been great to watch them emerge from the shells and talk about the life cycle of a chicken. Speaking of which **Hedgehog Class** have also seen life cycles in action with their tadpoles, which grew legs and one morning actually started hopping out of the tank!

If anyone has been doing some planting at home and has any spare plants leftover, we'd love to enhance our vegetable growing please? Mrs Wensley is particularly seeking **tomato**, **carrots**, **strawberries**, **onion sets** and **courgettes** if possible. Equally any additional bedding plants. Any donations gratefully received, thank you.

Snacks: KS1 children do not need any snacks sent into school with them as we have fruit and vegetables provided to us. If you do send your KS2 child in with a snack please ensure it's a healthy one – so fruit or a muesli bar rather than chocolate or sugary snacks.

School Comms: Whilst we will always use the telephone to call you if your child is poorly, it's becoming increasingly common for us to use the School Comms app to communicate with you. This is particularly the case if there's a change to assemblies, clubs, or of course if there was a school closure. For that reason, we would urge you to download and use the app if you haven't already. Otherwise you will miss out on crucial information.

Swimming pool: we're sending your child home with a letter today about this. We would like to use the pool more but we need your help! We'll also post the letter on our website.

Term Dates (*more dates on [school website](#)*)

Monday 22 May:

Hedgehog/Squirrel trip to Great Western Canal

Wednesday 24 May: KS2 Trip to Plymouth Aquarium

Wednesday 24 May: Open the Book Assembly

Thursday 25 May: Wilcombe Wobbler

Thursday 25 May: Stop Motion Workshop at THS

Saturday 27 May: Bampton Spring Fest

Monday 29 – Jun 2: Half Term

After School Club: Mrs Whitton has some amazing activities planned for the club which starts after Half Term. Watch this space for news of a website page. It's bookable via School Comms.

It's Christian Aid Week! Why not try the **Big Brekkie** at **Bampton Community Hall** tomorrow (20 May) from **9am?** Bacon butties, hot drinks and more, including Fair Trade Stalls. This year's focus is on helping refugees.