

**Dear Parents/Carers** When I started to plan this newsletter last week-end, I had no idea I would, by the end of the week, be reflecting on another Ofsted inspection. As you might expect, I want to thank everyone in our community who contributed to sharing with our inspector the great things that make Brent Knoll the best place to work and teach. So, thank you to parents, carers, staff and governors for your generous support on Tuesday and Wednesday. The report itself will be circulated in a few weeks.

Kind regards **Chris Burman**

**PS** This week-end is scare-crow week-end in Brent Knoll. Do come and visit the village and enjoy this lovely annual event.

Reading remains at the forefront of what we do at Brent Knoll and so it was nice to welcome parents into the Key Stage 1 meeting this week to be able to explain how we are teaching reading this year. To further encourage your children to read, BBC's Blue Peter has also started a reading challenge, as detailed on the following link:

[https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge?fbclid=IwAR0Zjs-5d-gzRQ1Hkn7BeFL9NZPuYvz7pOPxO18MuHOAi7KkrsdCN4IIGtI\\_aem\\_Af0gXCmt2Gft6rvUckZ8xHsa9TvyxeeiJQ](https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge?fbclid=IwAR0Zjs-5d-gzRQ1Hkn7BeFL9NZPuYvz7pOPxO18MuHOAi7KkrsdCN4IIGtI_aem_Af0gXCmt2Gft6rvUckZ8xHsa9TvyxeeiJQ)

**Dan from Burnham's Floors With More** has kindly donated a roll of lovely carpet to the school, this time to furnish the Griffin Class Reading Shed and other class book corners. These donations are much appreciated. Thank you, Dan.



Yesterday, the members of Kitsune had a terrific day in Cheddar, exploring the caves as part of their new History topic on the Stone Age. The caves were very much enjoyed as was the walk up Jacob's Ladder (photos right) and the workshop which explained how the locals lived in Cheddar thousands of years ago. Many thanks to Mrs Bond, staff and parent volunteers who made the whole trip go so well.



**Attendance:** Well done to Y2 who had the best attendance in week 1 at 98.9%.  
The average for the school in week 1 was 94.3%.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> This is a useful link to an NHS web-site that gives information on whether your child should come to school, assuming they are unwell.