



6/9/2024

## Headteacher's Hello

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the new school year! I hope you had an enjoyable summer and had a chance to rest and recharge with your families.

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week and hear all about their summer holiday adventures. We are especially delighted to welcome our newest pupils of Bishop Perrin School as our new Reception class have enjoyed their first day of school this week. We have also welcomed some new staff to our team this term: Mrs. Victoria Phelan (HLTA), Mrs. Maria Sharif (TLA), Mrs. Georgina Browne (Welfare Assistant) and Mrs. Maria Jean Sanz (Spanish teacher).

We also have a new Chair of Governors this year: Mrs Alwyn Williams. Mrs Williams has been a member of the school governing board for a number of years and brings to the role a wealth of experience. Please see a letter from Mrs Williams attached with this newsletter.

The children have been settling into their new classes very well, learning new routines and getting to know their new class teacher. There will be opportunities for you to meet your child's new class teacher next week – see later in the newsletter for details about this.

It was nice to meet with parents yesterday at our 'Meet the Headteacher' meeting – thank you for coming. We shared our plans and expectations for the coming year. If you didn't get a chance to attend, the information I shared will be available on our school website shortly.

Please find attached with this newsletter a letter from Richmond council, detailing proposed traffic reduction, school safety, and parking proposals for the local area.

We are currently experiencing some issues with our emails failing to be delivered to gmail addresses. Similar to an issue we had earlier in the year with Microsoft, it would seem that Google have blocked a number of accounts from Richmond schools. Our IT support team are aware of the issue and we hope to get it resolved as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you think you may have missed any communications from the school, please contact the school office.

And finally, I'm delighted to be share with you the very happy news that over the holidays, Miss de Boissiere got engaged. We send Miss de Boissiere and her fiancé Carlos our very best wishes and many congratulations.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Macklearn





# Newsletter

## Attendance

Friendship 100%, Endurance 100%, Peace 100%, Forgiveness 92.11%, Reverence 100%, Service 100% and Justice 100%

## School News

### Meet the Teacher Sessions

At the start of next term, we will have our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings after school in the classrooms at 3.15pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September (Y2 & 3), 3.30 – 4pm, and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September (Y4, 5 & 6). We hope to see many of you there. We will have staff in the playground to supervise school-age children while the meeting is going on. For those who can't make it in person, please see below for details to meet remotely on Google Meet.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September, 3.30pm

Year 2: [meet.google.com/cye-mdum-zcv](https://meet.google.com/cye-mdum-zcv)

Year 3: [meet.google.com/whb-drjm-piu](https://meet.google.com/whb-drjm-piu)

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, 3.30pm

Year 4: [meet.google.com/azi-gujf-nop](https://meet.google.com/azi-gujf-nop)

Year 5: [meet.google.com/nij-kvnp-ptj](https://meet.google.com/nij-kvnp-ptj)

Year 6: [meet.google.com/rkn-sapb-fss](https://meet.google.com/rkn-sapb-fss)



## Key dates for the new school year

### Class assemblies

Class assemblies for next year will take place as follows.

10th October	Year 3
21st November	Year 6
6th February	Year 4
13th March	Year 2
1st May	Year 1
12th June	Year 5
3rd July	Year R

Class assemblies usually start at 08:55am in the school hall and last for approximately 20 -30 minutes.

### Parent interviews

Wednesday 16th October – 3:30 – 7:30pm

Thursday 17th October – 2:30 – 5:30pm (please note the early finish on this day)

**INSET Day:** Friday 29th November

### Nativity Performance – Year 1 & 2

Tuesday 17th December – 9am

Wednesday 18th December – 1:30pm

### Reception Christmas Carol Performance

Wednesday 18th December – 9am & 2:30pm

### Whole School Christmas Carol Service

St. Augustine's Church – Thursday 20th December, morning (time tbc)

## Going home arrangements at the end of the day

The school gates are opened for pick-up for Years 1 – 6 at 3:15pm by a member of staff and locked at 3:25pm.

At 3:15pm, class teachers will come out into the playground to dismiss their class. They will stand near the classroom door and a child is dismissed when the teacher can see the adult who the school have written permission to pick the child up. At this point, responsibility for the supervision of the child is passed to this responsible adult.

Please check with your child's new class teacher that they have the most up-to-date information of adults authorised to pick your child after school for this academic year. If you would like to add someone to your list, please email the school office or send a note to the class teacher as soon as possible.

Children in Year 5 & 6 can be dismissed to walk home by themselves if we have written permission from parents (please see below for more details).

Older siblings (Year 7 and above) can be named by parents to pick up for children in Year 4 and above, from the playground. For children in Year 3 and below, the person picking up must be 16 years or older.

Children are not allowed to use any playground equipment or the climbing frame or activity trail after school as there is not adequate supervision for this at this time. To keep children and adults safe, all scootering or cycling is strictly forbidden in the playground area at any time, as is the use of footballs.

For more information, please see our [Supervision and Playtime policy](#).

## Walking to and from school

We only allow children in Year 5 and 6 to walk to and from school on their own.

We must have written notification from parents that your child has permission to walk to school in the morning and we add their name to our 'Walk to School' register. If a child who is in Year 5 or Year 6 who is on the school's 'Walk to School' register has not arrived by 9:30am and the school has not been notified either by email or phone as to why the child will be late / absent, then the school office will telephone the contacts on the emergency contact form as soon as possible to find out the reason for the absence.

We must have written permission for children in Years 5 or 6 to be released from school at the end of the day if you wish them to walk home by themselves. Once dismissed, they are under the responsibility of their parents or carers.

We add this information to our list of people who you have given permission to pick your child up from school. We must also have additional permission for children in Y5 & 6 to walk home from an after-school club at a later dismissal time to the usual school day.



# Newsletter

## Curriculum information for parents

Please find information about what your child will be learning this term by clicking on the following links:

- [Year R](#)
- [Year 1](#)
- [Year 2](#)
- [Year 3](#)
- [Year 4](#)
- [Year 5](#)
- [Year 6](#)

## Class texts

For this half term, the key texts for classes are listed below. We do have a supply of these books in school for use in class, but it is very helpful if your child is able to have their own copy. If your child has had their own copy of a class text from last year and no longer has a use for it, please consider donating it to our school supplies for future classes to use – thank you.

	Summer 2
Year 2	Flat Stanley – Jeff Brown
Year 3	The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry
Year 4	The Thieves of Ostia – Caroline Lawrence
Year 5	The Highwayman – Alfred Noyes
Year 6	The Wind in the Willows – Kenneth Grahame

Year R and Year 1 will read a range of picture books over the course of the term. There is not a need for them to have their own copy of the book, but they are welcome to bring one in if they have it.

## Transition to secondary school

At this time of year, local secondary schools hold open days and open evenings for prospective Year 7 pupils. Parents of pupils in Year 5 and 6 might want to take a look [here](#) or at the website of any schools they may be considering for Year 7, to find out details of when these events are happening.

## Emergency contact forms

We are no longer issuing new emergency contact forms at the beginning of each year. We continue to hold the contact information you provided from last year on file. However, please ensure you inform us immediately if there are any changes to your contact details or to the details of people who you have identified as emergency contacts. It is vital that we have the correct contact information should we need to contact you in the event of an emergency. Please also ensure that there are at least two emergency contacts available. Thank you.

## KOOSA Kids Breakfast Club at Bishop Perrin School

KOOSA Kids Breakfast Club is delighted to announce the opening of a new breakfast club at Bishop Perrin School starting in September 2024.

See our [website](#) for more details and how to book.

## Vacancies

Koosa Kids are currently recruiting for Breakfast Club Assistants for our breakfast club. Please see the advertisement below for further details.

## Swimming Lessons

We have some new arrangements for swimming lessons this year. Starting in a couple of weeks' time, swimming lessons will be held at Isleworth Leisure Centre.

Lessons are for Year 2 and Year 3, plus pupils in Y4, 5 & 6 who have yet to reach the threshold of level 4 of the STA Swimming Academy Award.

If your child will be attending swimming lessons this term, you will receive a letter from the school early next week, with details of arrangements. For children in Year 5 and 6 who do not require swimming lessons this term, they will remain at school during this time and will be doing a PE lesson.

Lessons take place on a Monday morning and are due to start on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September for 10 weeks.

Autumn Term	All YEAR 3 plus some Y5 & 6 pupils
Spring Term	All YEAR 2 plus some Y4, 5 & 6 pupils

## Site Improvements

Over the summer, w phase 2 of the building works was completed, which included electrical rewiring and installation of systems and equipment for a new fire alarm to be installed later in the school year.

New security lighting has been installed in the front porch, and a new security system installed on the front gate. We are just waiting for the contractors to return for a final visit for the system to be fully functional.

Works that were due to take place but have been slightly delayed – repairs to window sills and monkey bars in the playground. These are on the agenda and will be dealt with imminently.

## Celebrations and Achievements

Celebration certificates:

CLASS	NAME
Friendship	Not this week
Endurance	Whole class
Peace	Kiera T
Forgiveness	Whole class
Reverence	David P
Service	Alexi T
Justice	Whole class

## School Trips Payments / Permissions

Unless otherwise stated, children should wear school uniform for school visits (this includes school shoes). Children should bring a bag (school bag or other) to carry their packed lunch and water bottle in. Packed lunches should not contain any form of nuts (this applies to children and adults); no fizzy drinks or glass bottles. If details vary to this they will be provided below within the specific trip section.

## Year 5 Workshop

On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of October, Year 5 will have a drama and workshop in school called 'Helping Hands'. This is a theatre in education programme that uses age appropriate drama and discussion workshops to support children in learning about safe contact with others. We have had this session run several times in school very successfully. Part of the cost of this session has been paid for by Richmond Council. Please pay £5.50 online via SCOPAY by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024.

## Safeguarding, Wellbeing & Inclusion

### Smartphones

There is a growing movement of parents campaigning for children under the age of 14 to not have access to smart phones. These campaigns usually revolve around a collective agreement amongst parents that they won't allow their children to have these type of phones until then, effectively reducing the 'missing out' factor and peer pressure that currently drives a need for children to have their own smart phone. Amongst others, a campaign called "Smartphone Free Childhood" is one that we have been made aware of in the local area. If this is something you would be interested in finding out more about, an internet search of the information is available online.

If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding of children who attend Bishop Perrin CE Primary School, these should be reported to the Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Miss McAvoy. In her absence, concerns should be reported to the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Miss Macklearn. The school's Safeguarding Governor is Lucy James.

## And finally...

### Volunteers



Volunteers play a valuable role in supporting children with their learning and facilitating wider school experiences. If you would like to, we warmly welcome you to offer your support in whichever way you can.

Some of the ways you can get involved in school life by volunteering:

**Volunteer in class** – please contact your child's class teacher directly to discuss ways in which you can help and to arrange a suitable time to come in.

**Weekly volunteer** to help with children across KS2 with their reading or practising their times tables, please contact the school office and let us know what times you are available and how you would like to help.

**School Association** - volunteer your time with the school association or join the committee. Go along to the meetings and see what they have planned for the year and how you can help.

**School visit** – keep an eye out in the newsletter for details of upcoming school visits. Please let your child's class teacher or the office know if you would like to accompany the class on these visits.

**Walk to church / Whitton library with your child's class** – it's always helpful to have a few extra adults to support us with this. Details of times when we are visiting church or the library are communicated in the school newsletter.

**Support travel to and from swimming lessons** – be available to travel to and from Isleworth leisure centre with classes going swimming on Mondays mornings. Please contact the school office for further information.

# Holiday, After School & Breakfast Clubs

For children aged 4-13 years



## KOOSA Kids Breakfast Club at Bishop Perrin School Opening September 2024!

KOOSA Kids are delighted to be opening a brand new Breakfast Club, in addition to our existing After School Club, at Bishop Perrin School from September 2024.

KOOSA Kids have been operating the after school club at Bishop Perrin School since 2021 and we are delighted to now be able to offer a breakfast club service as well!

Operating from 7.45am until school starts, our breakfast club will provide a calm, welcoming and relaxing environment for your children, ready for their day ahead, whilst supporting working parents year-round with their childcare requirements.

For further details about KOOSA Kids NEW breakfast club at Bishop Perrin School, including how to register your interest, please see below or call us on 01276 21884.

### KOOSA Kids Breakfast Club



- ✓ Kickstarting your children's school day, every school morning
- ✓ Open every school day from 7.45am until school starts
- ✓ Calm & relaxed environment
- ✓ Healthy and nutritious breakfast on offer
- ✓ Selection of quiet games and activities available e.g. art tables, board games, construction games & books
- ✓ Ofsted registered, high quality before school childcare, priced at £7.25 per session



### KOOSA Kids After School Club

- ✓ Open every school day from school finish until 6pm
- ✓ Children are able to choose from a host of activities, including construction games, art tables, role play, book corners, puzzles, train sets, play mats and a large selection of active games such as football, hockey, rounders and more
- ✓ Healthy and nutritious snack provided (toast, crumpets / pittas & fruit platters)
- ✓ Ofsted registered, high quality after school childcare, priced at just £16.00 per session

Clubs are based from the school hall. Book single / multiple sessions (breakfast club up to 1pm and after school club up to 6pm the working day prior). If you require regular childcare on the same days each week, we can contract the days for you, guaranteeing your sessions each half term.



For more information or to register your interest,  
call 01276 21884 or email [info@koosakids.co.uk](mailto:info@koosakids.co.uk)



# After School & Breakfast Clubs

For children aged 4-11



**WE ARE  
HIRING!  
JOIN US!**

**Are you looking for additional hours at Bishop Perrin Primary School?**

If you're looking for a fun, rewarding, term-time only job in a friendly and supportive environment, KOOSA Kids could have the perfect opportunity for you, in your school!



**Position: Breakfast Club Assistant**

**Days: Monday - Friday**

**Hours: 7:40am to 9.00am**

**Rate of Pay: £12.20ph**

Apply now to join a genuinely caring & supportive company, passionate to deliver high quality & fun childcare.



**Email:**

**workforus@koosakids.co.uk**



Call 01276 21884 or visit [www.koosakids.co.uk/workforus](http://www.koosakids.co.uk/workforus)