

**Bishop Perrin C.E Primary School** 

# Newsletter

### Celebrating learning together in faith, hope and love

Galatians 5 v 21-23 - But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

15/11/2024

## Headteacher's Hello

Dear parents and carers,

A big well done to our girls' football team who took part in the borough football tournament on Wednesday. Ten girls from Year 5 and 6 took part and we are very proud of them for the manner in which they represented the school; playing so well, scoring some great goals and showing exceptional teamwork.

I was very impressed with the children's behaviour during collective worship on Monday and when we held a minute's silence in honour of Remembrance Day. They were very thoughtful, considerate and respectful during this time, and later created some beautiful art work for a collaborative school remembrance display which you can see pictured below.

Next week, we welcome to Bishop Perrin School children visiting London from a school in Prague. They will be visiting our school and spending time with our Year 4 children to experience what school is like in England. They will spend the morning in lessons with Year 4 and share lunch with them. A separate communication for Year 4 parents will be coming home today. This visit has been facilitated by the LDBS (diocese). We look forward to giving them a warm welcome.

A reminder that the deadline for applications for the role of parent governor is next Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November. Please refer to the letter that went out a couple of weeks ago if you would be interested in this role on the governing board.

Next Friday is our first parent forum of this school year. Parent reps will have been in touch to gather any responses to issues you may wish to raise, or responses to some questions we have posed from the school. Thank you for your contributions to this.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Macklearn







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#### Attendance

Friendship: 89.76% Endurance: 98.47%, Peace: 97.06%, Forgiveness: 98.15%, Reverence: 94.49%, Service: 98.52% and Justice: 99.16%

Whole school: 96.52%

#### Is my child too ill for school?

If your child is unwell, they should not be in school. Please see <u>here</u> for guidance on when it is ok to send your child into school if they are feling a little under the weather, or when to keep them at home.

#### In collective worship this week...

We continue to discuss how our school vision is lived out in school every day. Please see our <u>website</u> to learn more about this.

On Monday, we talked about Remembrance. We discussed how the poppy is used to help us remember the sacrifices men and women in the armed forces have made. We also talked about conflict, and looked at ways in which we can experience and work to resolve conflict in our everyday lives through calm and reflective conversations.

On Tuesday, we talked about Anti-Bullying Week, which is this week. We discussed with the children about being an upstander rather than a bystander, and reporting any behaviour they may be aware of that they are concerned about to an adult. We also continued to explore the theme 'Choose Respect'. Please see here for <u>information for</u> <u>parents and carers</u> from the Anti-Bullying Alliance.

On Thursday, we welcomed Fr. Kevin from All Hallows Church to lead our worship. He talked to the children about freidnship and shared a song he had written with the children.

We wish those members of our school community who are celebrating the birth of Guru Nanak Dev Ji an enjoyable time with your families.

### **School News**

#### **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

We hope your children have enjoyed participating in the clubs this term. As a reminder, please note the **last day** of the clubs on the following dates:

| Colouring & Lego  | : Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December     |
|-------------------|--|
| French            | : Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November    |
| Drama             | : Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December     |
| Netball           | : Monday, 9 <sup>th</sup> December     |
| Chess             | : Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December     |
| Football Y1/Y2/Y3 | : Tuesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> December   |
| Film              | : Tuesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> December    |
| Codecamp          | : Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December  |
| Football Y4/Y5/Y6 | : Wednesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December |
| Choir             | : Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> December  |
| Tennis            | : Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> December  |
| Dance             | : Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> December     |

There will be **no clubs running on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November** due to INSET.

#### **Medical Tracker**

We have now moved to using Medical Tracker, our new software to report and record all of our medical needs. If your child is unwell or has been injured at school during the day, you will receive an email notification from the school. This will come in the form of an email from a medical tracker address:

#### donotreply@medicaltracker.co.uk.uk

Please add this address to your contacts so the message does not inadvertently go to your junk mail. If the notification is for a bumped head or a significant other injury, we ask that you acknowledge receipt of the email immediately by following the instructions in the message so that we know you are aware of the situation. For a more serious head or other injury, or if a child is unwell and needs to go home during the day, you will receive a phone call immediately. Please ensure we have the most up-to-date contact numbers / email address in case of emergency, prefereably several contacts.

#### **Chrismas Shoebox Appeal**

This year, we are once again supporting our local Refuge branch with Christmas shoebox gifts. While we await final details, please hold onto any shoeboxes you might have if you'd like to contribute. We hope to share the complete information with you soon.

As a reminder, all items should be brand new. In previous years, we have prepared boxes for babies, children, and women, all of whom have had to flee domestic violence. Thank you for your generosity and support.



### **Celebrations and Achievements**

Well done to the children who have earnt a certificate this week:

| CLASS       | NAME    |
|-------------|---------|
| Friendship  | Thomas  |
| Endurance   | Rosalie |
| Peace       | Lany    |
| Forgiveness | Dylan   |
| Reverence   | Theo T  |
| Service     | Elise   |
| Justice     | Isla    |



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### **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 adult volunteers); no fizzy drinks or glass bottles. If details vary to this they will be provided below within the specific trip section.

#### Year 6 visit to Twickenham Cemetery

On the afternoon of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November, Year 6 will be visiting Twickenham Cemetery to study the war graves of local soldiers who served in the First World War. This is a local visit, so does not require additional permission. We will be walking to and from the cemetery, and will be outside for most of the afternoon, so children will need a warm, waterproof coat.

#### Year 3 trip to Stonehenge

Year 3 will be visiting **Stonehenge** on **Tuesday**, **10th December**, where they will learn about early British history, explore the famous stone circle, and take part in interactive activities to support their classroom learning.

Please ensure children arrive at school by 8:00 am, as the coach will depart promptly at 8:15 am. The cost of this trip is  $\pounds$ 13.80. Please log in to your child's SCOPAY account to complete permission and payment for this trip. Please ensure your child wears school uniform, a waterproof/warm coat, and brings a snack and packed lunch.

Please click <u>here</u> to order a school packed lunch by Tuesday 3rd December.

#### Autumn term church visits

Each class will visit St. Augustine's Church this term. Please see remaining dates below:

#### 19/11/24 - Year 3

If you are available to walk with the classes on any of these dates, please contact the school office. Classes leave school at 9am and return by 10:30am.

#### Whole School

The whole school will be attending a Christmas pantomime, Cinderella, at The Exchange, Twickenham, on **Wednesday**, **18th December 2024**, at **1pm**.



### Safeguarding, Wellbeing & Inclusion

#### Protect your child from flu this winter

Flu cases among school children are currently twice as high as in any other age group. Flu spreads easily in schools, especially during the colder months when children spend more time indoors, and can lead to serious illness.

The flu vaccination is the best way to keep your child well. It also helps to protect others in your family who may be more vulnerable, such as grandparents. All school-aged children are eligible for a free nasal spray flu vaccine, which is quick, painless and effective. An injectable vaccine is also available for children who cannot have the nasal spray.

For more information on the children's flu vaccine, visit the <u>NHS website.</u>

#### Wellbeing coffee mornings

The next coffee morning will be on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Please register your interest <u>here</u>. If you have a suggestion for a speaker or theme for a future coffee morning, please contact Miss McAvoy or Mrs Rogerson.

Dates for spring coffee mornings coming soon but will include support around ADHD and understanding attachment.

#### Short breaks recommissioning in 2025

AfC are doing a survey on the provision of Saturday, holiday and after school club short breaks in Kingston and Richmond; referred to as Aiming High Short Break schemes. The main reason for this consultation is that the contracts with the organisations that currently deliver these clubs will come to an end in August 2025 and so they are planning what will happen after that.

It is really important that your views are included in this planning, as the number of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities living in our boroughs is increasing and councils across the country are facing very challenging financial situations. You can help make our short breaks offer as good as possible.

- Short Breaks Survey 2024: CYP and Families
- Short Breaks PDF Consultation CYP and Families

If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding of children who attend Bishop Perrin 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 Mrs James.

If you are concerned about the safety of a child outside of school hours, please contact the police if the child is in immediate danger, or Richmond

## Community information

#### Mega Skip Days

Throughout this year, Richmond Council is hosting a series of mega skip days in each area of the borough, where local residents can get rid of bulky unwanted items for free. The mega skip next Saturday 23 November, will be placed in the Heathfield Junior School Car Park (Power Mill Lane entrance), from 9am to 12pm. Residents can bring lots of things, like furniture or mattresses, electrical appliances, black bags, etc. Items are then recycled. Any furniture that's brought and still in good condition is taken by local charity Richmond Furniture Scheme, who upcycle second-hand furniture and sell on for a discount.

### And finally...

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November will be Year 6's class assembly. This will be held in the school hall at 8:55am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.



Usually there is a charge for bulky waste collections. On 23 November, put your unwanted items in the Council's mega skip for free.

#### How the mega skip works:

- Max six items per household (a bag of rubbish counts as one item)
- First come, first served
- We accept furniture, smaller electrical appliances, black bags etc.
- We won't accept building rubble, paint or dangerous chemicals
- We will recycle the items we collect
- Please bring ID to show you are a local resident, eg. driving licence, passport or bill

Could your items be donated, shared or repaired? Scan the QR code below to find out where you can do each locally!

#### We'll have people on hand to talk about:

Tips on recycling

 The work of the Richmond Furniture Scheme to upcycle unwanted items and distribute back into the community

#### In partnership with

- Richmond Furniture Scheme
- RHP

#### Find out where you can donate where you can donate share or repair your items local www.richmond.gov.uk/

#### household\_recycling

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