



Thursday 30th November 2023

Dear parents and carers,

This week, I have had the pleasure of visiting all the children's classes to see how their learning is developing in reading. I was accompanied by Miss McAvoy and two of our governors, Mrs Alladin and Mr Nimmo. Reading is the driving feature of our curriculum design at Bishop Perrin School and fostering a positive reading culture important to us. I saw plenty of evidence of this in practice on Tuesday. The children talked enthusiastically about the books they're enjoying, their visits to the library and how they learn to read. Lessons were interesting, vibrant and challenging, interwoven with some captivating story-telling from the teachers. It was joy to see children so immersed in their class key texts, not wanting the story to end. In the afternoon, we had a visit from our new LDBS advisor, Mark Newton. When I showed him around the school, he was equally impressed by the children's behaviour and engagement in their learning.

It was great to see many parents at our parent workshop for maths this week. Thank you for coming and we hope you found it helpful in discovering new strategies to support your child's learning. Thank you to Miss McAvoy for leading this session. Our next parent workshop will be about writing, led by Miss Sweeney on Tuesday 12th December.

As you know, at the end of last term the Breakfast Club provision was paused. In order to assess if it is a viable option to reinstate it next term, if you would like your child to attend a Breakfast Club at school, please indicate your interest by filling out this short [survey](#).

It's nice to see some Christmas boxes for Refuge starting to arrive this week. Please see later in the newsletter for details of how you can support and get involved with this.

Talking of Christmas, our school choir and Mrs Place did us proud last weekend with their performance at the Whitton Lights Christmas event. It was delightful to see the children taking so much enjoyment from their singing, and performing confidently in front of a large audience. Thank you to Mrs Place for all her hard work and encouragement for our school choir.

Tomorrow is the start of the Christian season of Advent. Our School Association have kindly bought an Advent calendar for all the children in the school. We will pass these on to the children on their behalf at the end of the day today. Thank you to the School Association for this gift.

Well done to our boys' football team who put in a sterling effort at the boys' football tournament on Wednesday. Goals were saved and goals were scored; team work was great and fun was had in the sunshine. Miss Holloway was proud of their achievements. Thank you to Miss Holloway and coach Mr Noden, for accompanying the team.

And finally, tomorrow is an INSET day so the school is closed for the children. I hope they enjoy their day off! Have a lovely weekend,
Miss Macklearn



Celebration Worship

For hard work, great improvement or good behaviour

CLASS	
Friendship	Next Week
Endurance	
Peace	
Forgiveness	
Reverence	
Service	
Justice	

Attendance

The previous week's attendance

CLASS	%
Friendship	92.33
Endurance	92.41
Peace	96.21
Forgiveness	92.67
Reverence	97.33
Service	97.33
Justice	97.00

Year 1 & 2 Nativity Performance

The Year 1 and Year 2's Nativity performance is on Monday 18th December at 14:15 – 15:00 and Tuesday 19th December at 17:30 – 18:15. If your child is not able to come to the evening performance on the 19th December please could you let Miss Lancaster and Mrs Place know.



School trips/events



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. If details vary to this they will be provided below within the specific trip section.

Year 6

Monday 4th December, visiting Westminster Abbey. Travelling to and from the venue via local train service. Packed lunch required.

Year 5

Isle of Wight School Journey May 2024. If paying for this trip via instalments, the next instalment of £90.50 is **due by Monday 27th November**. Please pay via your child's [SCOPAY](#) account.

Year 4

9th February 2024 visiting Hampton Court. Children traveling via coach. Please complete the payment and permission slip by the 30th December within your child's [SCOPAY](#) account. Packed lunch required, either provide one from home or pre-book a school provided trip lunch [here](#). We may need an adult volunteer to help us with this trip, if you're available please let the office know.

Year 1

8th February 2024 visiting Windsor Castle. Travelling to and from the venue via coach. The cost for this trip is £9.60, please complete this payment by 30th December within your child's [SCOPAY](#) account. If you're in receipt of means tested free school meals this has been subsidised further. Packed lunch required, either provide one from home or pre-book a school provided trip lunch [here](#). We will need some adult volunteers to help support this trip, if you're available to help please contact the school office ASAP, this will be for the full school day.



Christmas Shoebox Appeal

To support local women and children of domestic abuse we are once again taking part in a Christmas Shoebox appeal. The boxes will be going to families who have fled domestic abuse locally and are being supported by Refuge. Please bring your Christmas boxes in to school once complete and no later than **Wednesday 13th December**.

Children - please label as suitable for: BOY / GIRL & age: 3- 5 years / 6 - 7 years / 8 - 9 years / 10 - 12 years/ 13+

- small toys / puzzles (please not sharp toys or toys that promote violence in any way)
- story books
- hairbrush / hair accessories
- colouring books and colouring pencils / felt tips / pencil case
- mindfulness colouring books (for older kids)
- Christmas card with a friendly message
- note pad and pen
- fidget toy
- fluffy socks / gloves
- sweets / box of chocolates
- small card games like Uno/dobble

items are ideally new or in very good condition

Babies - items for babies MUST be brand new and have the CE stamp

- dummies
- wet wipes
- nappies
- soft toys
- teething rings
- baby grows
- bibs
- baby book (or other items that support mother and baby interaction)

Women

- body Lotion
- bath oil / salt
- face wash/toner/moisturiser/ face masks
- hair products (spray, mousse, hair bands or scrunchies)
- scarves / gloves
- socks, tights, slippers or flipflops
- sweets / box of chocolates
- Christmas card
- mindfulness colouring books
- affirmation cards
- room diffusers



INSET Day

Please be reminded that tomorrow, Friday 1st December, is an INSET day and the school will be closed to children.

Vacancies at Bishop Perrin School

We are still recruiting for the following position. If you are interested please take a look or share with friends and family:

[HR Officer](#)

Y2 Great Fire of London Tour Photos





**102,000 children
starting school in
England are at risk
of catching measles**

Check your child is up

to date with their

MMR vaccinations

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 Mr Corke. In his absence, concerns should be reported to the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Miss Macklearn. The School's Safeguarding Governor is Lucy James