

Newsletter

Celebrating learning together in faith, hope and love

1 Corinths 13 v 13 - And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Thursday 27th November

Headteacher's Hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are sending out our newsletter a little earlier than usual this week, as tomorrow is an INSET day, and school is closed to pupils.

This year, we are proud to be working towards becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School; to be recognised as a school where children's rights are at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. You can find out more about what this means and the process it entails later on in this newsletter.

Well done to all our Year 6 pupils who did a fantastic class assembly this morning. They shared their learning from the first half of this term, all about the River Thames. They packed a lot in, with examples of their reading, writing, geography, science, music and D&T learning, and they entertained us with beautiful singing and acting of excerpts from The Wind in the Willows.

Yesterday, Year 4 enjoyed a visit to the cinema, as part of our cultural offer within our education visits framework. Miss Sweeney reported back that they enjoyed themselves and were very well-behaved.

As I write, our Year 5 and 6 boys' football team are taking part in the borough football tournament in Teddington. By all accounts it's going well and they are playing very well as a team. My thanks to Miss Murray and Mrs James for accompanying the children today. We look forward to hearing how they got on later this afternoon.

Next Friday morning we will be holding our first Parent Forum for this academic year. I look forward to meeting with the Parent Reps and discussing the matters that parents and carers have raised for discussion.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Macklearn



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Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school: 96.61%

A reminder that if a child is late arriving at school after the gate has closed, they must be signed in by the adult accompanying them to school.

In collective worship this week...

This week in collective worship we have looked at who St. Andrew was in honour of St. Andrew's Day on Sunday. On Tuesday, in class, we considered the story of Daniel in the Lions' Den, and today we had a class assembly from Year 6.

School News

Choir at St Augustine's Christmas Fair Saturday 6th December

Our school choir have been asked to sing at the St Augustine's Christmas Fair on Saturday 6th December. We will arrive at 1:50pm to sing at 2pm and we should be finished by approximately 2:20pm.

Please let me know as soon as possible whether your child is able to attend. Thank you, Mrs Place

Library Visits - Volunteers Needed

Class visits to Whitton Library this term will be as follows, if you are able to join us as an adult volunteer please contact the school office ASAP, thank you.

We need to leave school at 9am and will return by 11am. Children are welcome to bring their own library card on the day of their visit.

Tuesday 2nd December – Year 5

Medical Room

Medical Tracker - Please could parents of children with healthcare plans acknowledge their child's updated care plan by clicking on the link in the email you have been sent. This needs to be actioned so that your child's care plan is up to date. Please let either Mrs Sandell (Monday-Wednesday) or Ms Ruslan (Thursday-Friday) know of any problems and we will try to help.

Also a further reminder to acknowledge the email via the link when your child has had a bumped head. This is important so that we know you have seen our message and the information has been received.

Borrowed underwear – please return any borrowed underwear to the Medical Room ASAP as all supplies have now run out. If your child has a toileting accident and we don't have spares or they do not have spares in their bag, we will have to call you to bring underwear in for them. Many thanks.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

The Spring 2026 Extra-curricular clubs letter was sent out this week. Please read the letter and follow the steps detailed to book your preferred club. Club bookings open from 6pm on the 1st December. More information and a copy of the letter can be found here.

Public consultation

Public consultation on the 2027/28 admission arrangements for the community schools in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames. The London Borough of Richmond upon Thames is currently publicly consulting on the admission arrangements for the community schools, for the academic year 2027/28. Details of the consultation can be found on the Achieving for Children website. The consultation will run until 5pm on Friday 9 January 2026.

Celebrations and Achievements

We have not had a chance to do our Celebration Worship this week, so our celebration announcements will be held over until next week.

Year 4 Design & Technology - Cooking

Dear Year 4 Parents/Carers

This half-term, Year 4 will be trying some different spices and cooking a vegetarian curry. Please see the ingredients below. If you have any concerns about your child eating any of the food or spices, please let me know via the office by Monday 8th December.

Ingredients

300g potatoes

2 cloves garlic

1 tsp oil

1/2 tsp coriander seeds

1/2 tsp cumin seeds

425g can tomatoes

1 tsp turmeric

1 inch root ginger

1 tsp chilli powder

½ tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp dhanna jeera powder (half coriander powder / half cumin

powder)

300g frozen peas

Many thanks, Miss Sweeney



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Be a role model

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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. In the summer term, if the children are likely to be outside during their visit, please ensure that you apply sunscreen before they come to school and they wear a hat. If details vary to this, they will be provided below within the specific trip section.

Year 4 Hampton Court -Thursday 29th Jan 2026

Please complete the payment and mandatory permission via your child's Arbor account **by the 12th December 2025.** Please provide your child with a packed lunch from home for this trip or order a school provided one here by the 12th December.

Y1 Windsor Castle - Thursday 5th Feb 2026

Please complete the payment via your child's ARBOR account by the **5th December 2025.** Please provide a packed lunch for this trip, alternatively you can order a school provided packed lunch here by the 5th December 2025. Thank you to all the volunteers. We were overwhelmed by the response; unfortunately can't take everyone but we will be in touch next week to confirm who will join us, thank you.

Year 5 & 6 Westminster Abbey Trip Thursday 26th February 2026

Please note, children will be back at the slightly later time of 16:00 - 16:15, travelling via public transport to and from the venue.

Held in the beautiful garden of Westminster Abbey to explore the events, people and animals of Holy Week, this special event is brought to you by Wintershall Education, in partnership with Westminster Abbey. The Wintershall team enable schools to use Biblical drama and the arts to 'experience the story' of Christianity. Costumed interpreters lead this interactive session, allowing students to 'meet' people from the Easter story and stroke a donkey, like the one who carried Jesus. Students will be invited to sit around the table laid for the Last Supper; hear from Peter, Jesus' close friend; and stand with the Roman soldier who saw it all. Make this the year your students really engage with the true meaning and significance of the remarkable story of Easter.

Please complete the payment via your child's ARBOR account **by the 31**st **December 2025.** Please provide a packed lunch for this trip, alternatively you can order a school provided packed lunch <u>here</u> by the 31st December 2025.

We may require adult volunteers to help with this trip, we will be out between approximately 10:30-16:15, if you can help please let Mrs Chawla know in the office, thank you.

Year 6 visit to Twickenham Cemetery

In a change to last week's newsletter, this visit will take place in the **morning** of Monday 1st December. 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 morning, so children will need a warm, waterproof coat.

Christmas Pantomime - 15th December

M&M Theatrical Productions will visit our school and deliver a pantomime experience, Snow White, for the entire school. Please complete the payment by the 5th December within Arbor.

Y3 Orleans House - Tuesday 24th February 2026

Trip to Orleans House Gallery for Mark Making and Shadowscapes: Heaney, JMW Turner and Quantum workshop. Please pay and complete the mandatory permission via your child's Arbor account by 1st February. Provide a packed lunch from home or order a school trip lunch here by 1st February.

Year 2 London Landmarks - Tuesday 17th March

Y2 will take part in an educational visit to London as part of their London landmarks curriculum. Children will enjoy a guided river cruise of some of London's famous landmarks, supplied by the London Eye team.

Please complete the mandatory permission and payment via your Child's Arbor account by **21st February 2026**.

Please provide a packed lunch from home or book a school provided one here by 21st February 2026.

Community News

Free Christmas activities for young people aged 9-16 (FUEL/HAF)

Hampton Youth Zone: Christmas 2025

It's that festive time of year and they have some great activities coming up at Hampton Youth Zone and Whitton Youth Zone. This year they have sessions on the 22nd and 23rd December and the 5th January. The 22nd of December is a trip to Heatham House. There will be food available during the sessions on these days.

Daily Activities include: art; arcade gaming; board games; cooking; foosball; gardening; music; pool; roller skating; sports (football, basketball, tennis, benchball, etc); table tennis; team based group games; video gaming (PS5 and Xbox Series); festive-themed activities; trip. Please contact Justin Johnson via email for more information.

Whitton Youth Zone – free activities for young people

See <u>here</u> for information about after-school activities in Whitton for young people, all completely free and no booking required – art, cooking, fitness, gym, music, recreation in a bright, modern, safe and inclusive space.





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Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Inclusion SEND resources to support families

Please visit the school website <u>Inclusion and Send</u> page for updated resources to support families of children with SEND. There are a wide range of links with information, signposting to local and national agencies and practical activities you can do at home. I if you have any questions, or would like further advice please contact your child's class teacher or Miss McAvoy.

Recently, the formation of the Kingston and Richmond NHS Trust has led to an update of resources available for families. These resources and links can be found here, as well as via the <a href="https://example.com/school/s

Keep warm and well: keeping children safe in cold weather

Cold weather can affect children and young people's health, increasing the risks of respiratory infections, and exacerbating conditions such as eczema, asthma, and mental health problems. With a few steps, we can help protect them from the cold, support families through the season, and prevent avoidable absences. For more information, see the poster included with this newsletter.

Man and Boy



The charity Man and Boy who work with local families, currently have capacity to support children in the Richmond area. They work alongside families by encouraging men to be a mentor to the boys in their life offering a diverse programme of opportunities for men and boys to have fun, bond, take part in adventurous activities together and enhance their own and wider family relationships. They have successfully supported a number of families from Bishop Perrin School in recent years and are keen to continue this support.

If you have a son who is aged 8-12 years old and you would be interested in a referral, please visit their website and contact Miss McAvoy to find out more.

Coffee mornings for families

As part of our commitment to supporting families, coffee mornings with different themes for discussion are planned for the school community over the course of the year.

The next coffee morning will take place on Wednesday 10th December when Arleta, our MHST Children's Wellbeing Practitioner who is known to many of our families and the children at school, will deliver a short session about supporting your child to build healthy relationships. Please come if you can to meet other parents, share experiences and ask for advice. All are welcome.



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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 have concerns about the safeguarding of a child out of hours or during the school holidays, contact SPA directly on 020 8547 5008 or call the police if the child is in immediate danger.

And finally...

Tomorrow, Friday 28th November, is an INSET day, school is closed to pupils.



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AUTUMN TERM 2025	
Monday 1st December	Y6 Twickenham Cemetery Visit
Monday 1st December @ 18:00	Spring Term 2026 Extra-Curricular Clubs go live
Friday 5 th December	Parent Forum, 8:45am
Monday 15th December	Christmas Pantomime in school
Tuesday 16 th December	YR Christmas Carols performance, 2:30pm
Wednesday 17 th December	Infant Nativity Performance (Y1 & 2), 9am
Thursday 18 th December	YR Christmas Carols performance, 9am Infant Nativity Performance (Y1 & 2), 2pm
Friday 19th December	Christmas Service at St Augustine's Church @ 12:30
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term, school closing early: Year R – 13:50 Year 1 – 6: 14:00
SPRING TERM 2026	
Monday 5 th January 2026	INSET Day – school closed
Tuesday 6 th January	School term starts for children
Wednesday 14 th January	YR & Y6 NCMP Checks – NHS School Nurse
w/c 19 th January	Extra-Curricular Clubs Start
Thursday 29 th January	Y4 Hampton Court
Thursday 5 th February	Y1 Windsor Castle Trip
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th Feb	February Half Term – school closed
Tuesday 24 th February	Y3 Orleans House
Thursday 26 th February	Y5 & Y6 Westminster Abbey Holy Week Trip
Tuesday 3 rd March	Y4 Re-scheduled Roman Museum Trip All children to be in by 08:30am as early departure time.
Tuesday 17 th March w/c 23 rd March	Y2 Trip to London – River Cruise

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Dear Parent / Carer,

We are becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School

Bishop Perrin School wants to be a school where children's rights are at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. As part of this plan we are working towards recognition as a Rights Respecting School, an award given to schools on behalf of UNICEF UK.

UNICEF UK works with schools to create safe and inspiring places to learn, where children are respected, their talents are nurtured and they are able to thrive. The Rights Respecting Schools Award supports schools to put in place a set of standards based on equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation. These values stem from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).

At Bishop Perrin School, pupils will learn about their rights by putting them into practice every day. You can find out more about the Award here: **unicef.uk/About RRSA**

We really hope that you will support our school on our Rights Respecting journey. On the back of this letter you will find a few frequently asked questions along with more information UNICEF and the CRC.

Yours sincerely.

Mrs Crinall Senior Teacher

Becoming a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School: Questions and Answers

You might ask	As school leaders we think
What is a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School? Why is this	A UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School is a school that ensures children's rights are taught, understood and lived in school. Rights Respecting schools put in place a set of standards based on equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation based on the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child. These values are ever-present in a Rights Respecting school, from the classroom to the canteen. As a result, the Rights Respecting Schools Award transforms whole schools into places where children feel safe, nurtured and in control of their futures. A UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School models rights and respect in all its
happening?	relationships, whether between adults and pupils, between pupils or between adults. It is proven to benefit everyone in the school community to grow and learn together. Read more about the Award at www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa
How will becoming a Rights Respecting School benefit my child(ren)?	The RRSA Impact Report demonstrates that children and young people who attend a school that has progressed through the Award are engaged in their education, feel a shared sense of community in school, believe they can change the world for the better, develop self-esteem and value themselves and have a school environment where they feel safe and cared for.
How can I get involved?	We hope you will support the school's journey to become a UNICEF UK Rights Respecting School. Please do read about the Convention and UNICEF's work to see what it's all about. Read more: unicef.uk/intro_to_crc
What is the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child?	In 1989, governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Convention recognised that all children have the right to be treated with dignity and fairness, to be protected, to develop to their full potential and to participate. The rights in the Convention describe what a child needs to survive, grow, and live up to their potential in the world. They apply equally to every child, no matter who they are or where they come from.
	The Convention changed the way children are viewed and treated – in other words, as human beings with a distinct set of rights instead of as passive objects of care and charity. It is the most widely ratified human rights treaty – only the United States has not ratified it. The UK signed up to it in 1991.
What is UNICEF?	UNICEF is the world's leading organisation for children and young people, promoting the rights and wellbeing of every child, in everything they do. Together with their partners, UNICEF works in 190 countries to translate that commitment into practical action.
	UNICEF UK is a registered charity. It raises funds through donations from individuals, organisations and companies and campaigns to keep children safe. UNICEF UK also works with schools, hospitals and local authorities in the UK to put children at the heart of what they do.
	To find out more about Unicef, go to: www.unicef.org.uk

Keeping warm and well this winter



Top tips for keeping warm and keeping well

Heat rooms you spend the most time in to at least 18°C.



Don't let your home get cold, but do open windows regularly to prevent damp and mould.

Reduce draughts by closing curtains and using draught excluders.



Eat well and stay hydrated.



Make sure appliances are safe and

(Checked by a Gas Safe registered engineer)

working well.



Reduce condensation.
Wipe down windows,
cook with lids on
pans and use
extractor fans.

Wear multiple layers of thin clothing and shoes with good grip.



Check the weather forecast and news.
Stock up on food and medication * * * * before bad weather. * *

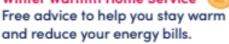
If eligible, get vaccinated for flu and covid-19.



If you're worried about your own or someone else's health, contact your local pharmacist, your GP or NHS 111.

Local support to help you stay well this winter

Winter Warmth Home Service



South West London Energy Advice Partnership
Call 0800 086 2706 for free, impartial
energy advice.

Warm Home Packs

Eligible residents can get a free pack to help save up to £200 a year on energy bills.



Community spaces

Find warm, welcoming places for support and company.

Details of all services are available on the website.



Winter advice and local services www.richmond.gov.uk/winter_weather



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Wellbeing Coffee Morning Wednesday 10th December 2025

Arleta – AfC Children's Wellbeing Practitioner

Healthy Relationships

8:45 - 9:30am in the school library: all welcome

Build your understanding of how to support your child to build and maintain friendships, develop emotional awareness and empathy, and empower your child in their relationships.

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INFANT: 5:30PM-6:30PM-CLICK HERE FOR INFANT TICKETS

JUNIOR: 7:00PM-8:30PM-CLICK HERE FOR JUNIOR TICKETS







St Augustine Christmas Fair



Saturday 6th December From 12 to 3pm



ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

All Age Eucharist

The All Age Eucharist is a family oriented service for all ages where we worship together in a simple and playful way.

Always at 10 am.

Sunday the 16th November 2025 Sunday the 14th December 2025 Sunday the 11th January 2026 Sunday the 15th February 2026

Come and join us!



For more information contact:



