



Celebrating learning together in faith, hope and love

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

Friday 6th February

Headteacher's Hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to the children who took part in the RISE Swimming Gala on Wednesday. Five pupils from Bishop Perrin School went along and represented our school very successfully, returning with a raft of gold and silver medals. We are very proud of their achievements. Thank you to Miss Murray for organising the team, and Mrs Kelly for accompanying the children. We wish our swimming team, who will be attending the borough swimming gala next week, the very best of luck.

On Monday, we welcomed Steve (Parkrun Community Outreach Officer) and Jonathan (Hanworth Junior Parkrun Director) in to school to talk about Junior Parkrun as part of our links as a Parkrun Primary. As well as talking to the children in an assembly, they also led a few Parkrun-type sessions with children in the playground during their PE lessons, to help give a feel for the fun nature of this this community fitness and wellbeing initiative. The children will be bringing flyers about Junior Parkrun home today, and families are encouraged to go along to Hanworth Junior Parkrun this Sunday morning, 9am, to give it a try. It's free to take part and more details can be found [here](#).

Yesterday, Year 1 visited Windsor Castle. Despite the rain, I hear they had a great time and were all very well behaved. I have had many excitable reports of all the things they saw and learnt about during the day. My thanks to Mrs Beith, Miss McAvoy, Mrs Kelly and all the parent volunteers who made this visit possible.

Yesterday, our netball team took part in a number of matches as part of their participation in the borough netball league. They braved the rain to play in three matches, giving their best effort and working well as a team. This afternoon they face Heathfield School, and next week they will be playing Hampton Juniors.

Last week, we had another visit from the quality assurance manager for the local authority to inspect our school kitchen and school lunch provision. We're delighted that the report reflected the high standards our kitchen staff maintain, commenting that 'Vikki and the team do an excellent job feeding the pupils at Bishop Perrin School.'

Have a lovely weekend,
Miss Macklearn





Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school: 96.87%

Five things to do to help manage winter illness

It's important to be aware of the winter illnesses currently circulating. A few simple habits can help keep children, families and classrooms healthy. [The latest UKHSA blog for schools and parents/carers](#) includes health messaging on staying home when unwell, hand hygiene, catching coughs and sneezes, getting vaccinated, and using NHS resources for more information about winter illnesses.

In collective worship this week...

This week in collective worship this week we had a visit from Parkrun representatives, we talked about people who are important to us and on Thursday Mr Nimmo visited us to talk about heroes and villains, thinking about role models and the people we look up to.

School News

Governor News

The governors met last night for their half-termly full governing board meeting. Governors were pleased to note an increased number of donations to the Governor Maintenance Fund in response to the recent correspondence. This money will go towards contributions towards improvements in school building maintenance, such as replacement hot water boiler and replacement windows in some parts of the building.

Governors approved a raft of new policies, including the new admission policy, following the consultation period, and a new [attendance policy](#) which comes into effect today. Governors are mindful of the increased focus on attendance that comes with new government strategy and new Ofsted expectations, as such have appointed Mrs Doggett as an Attendance Governor. Governors were pleased to note that current attendance figures are higher than the school target for the year.

Governors were delighted to hear of the success of the RISE swimming team and pass on their congratulations to all involved.

Y3 Bread making - Tuesday 10th February 2026

On Tuesday, year 3 will be baking bread as part of their Design & Technology bread unit. The children will need to bring in a name-labelled container for their bread by Tuesday. The children will be given a selection of vegetarian fillings to choose from to add to their bread. The fillings are as follows: cheese, garlic, red peppers, olives, raisins and tomatoes. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the lesson, please speak to Miss Gunter.

Filming in the local area – Wednesday 11th February

A television crew will be filming in the local area next week on Wednesday 11th February. Please see the attached letter for more information about this and the measures that have been taken to avoid disruption.

School Service for Ash Wednesday- 25th of February

This year, children in Years 3-6 will walk to St Augustine's Church for a service for Ash Wednesday led by Reverend Helen. Children in Reception-Year 2 will have a Worship about Ash Wednesday in school. Please contact the office if you are able to walk with a class.

Ash Wednesday is a spiritual reset button. It's an invitation to take time in Lent to clear away the clutter in our lives, focus on what truly matters, and get ready for the joy of Easter.

The ashes on our foreheads are a sign of our humanity that we are made from dust. But they are worn in the shape of a cross, reminding us that we are loved by God and aimed toward eternal life with God.

Lent is about being honest. It's a chance to admit where we've fallen short, knowing that God welcomes us with mercy, turning our ashes into a new beginning.

Ash Wednesday is a special day. We put ashes on our foreheads to show that we are ready to follow Jesus. It's like cleaning our hearts—or like getting ready for the big party of Easter by fixing the things that went wrong before. It reminds us that no matter what, God loves us and helps us make better choices.

During the service in church, children in Years 3-6 will be offered the ash on their forehead.

If you want your child to be offered the ash on their forehead, please give permission [via this form](#) by the 24th of February.

If on the day of the service, any children do not want to receive the ash, they don't have to. All children will be offered a blessing.

If you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Crinall. Thank you.

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March 2026

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March this year. As usual, we will be celebrating in school by encouraging the children to read a brand new book. We ask that all children choose a book from the list attached with this newsletter. These books have all been shortlisted for the [SPARK! Book Awards 2026](#).



The children will read their chosen book at home in advance of World Book Day. On the day, they can come to school either dressed as a character or bring in a prop, inspired by their chosen book. During the day, they will gather with all the other children who have chosen to read the same book as them, along with a member of staff, for a book club discussion and activity.

Local libraries are supporting the SPARK! Book Awards, so you will be able to find copies of the books there. We will also have some copies in school for the children to borrow nearer the time.

We will ask the children to let us know which book they have chosen by the end of the week, Friday 27th February, so we can make arrangements for World Book Day.

If you have any questions about this, please ask Miss Macklearn.



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Celebrations and Achievements

Children who have earned a certificate this week:

CLASS	NAME
Year R	Logan
Year 1	All of Year 1
Year 2	Ari
Year 3	Lany
Year 4	Saroop
Year 5	Elias
Year 6	Jude

Infant class of the week: Year 2
Junior class of the week: Year 5

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 2 Library Visit – Tuesday 10th February

Year 2 will be visiting Whitton Library on Tuesday 10th February. They will leave school at approximately 09:00am and walk to the library and back. They will return to school by approximately 11:00-11:30am.

We need some more adult volunteers to help with this trip to enable it to go ahead. If you can help, please email the school office ASAP. Thank you.

Faith Ambassadors from Year 3-6 – 12th February

On Thursday 12th February, the Faith Ambassadors from Year 3-6 will attend the LDBS Annual Service at St Paul's Cathedral.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch that can be eaten on the train (with rubbish that can then be disposed of to prevent having to carry bags into the cathedral). Children will also need to bring a water bottle (also preferably disposable).

Due to the finish time of the service, we will not return to school until 4:15-4:30pm.

Y3 Orleans House – Tuesday 24th February

Urgent - Please pay and complete the mandatory permission via your child's Arbor account ASAP as this is now overdue.

Trip to Orleans House Gallery for Mark Making and Shadescapes: Heaney, JMW Turner and Quantum workshop. Please provide your child with a packed lunch from home for this trip.

Year 5 & 6 Westminster Abbey Trip Thursday 26th February

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

Please provide a packed lunch for this trip.

We are an allergy-aware school

Year 4 Rescheduled Verulamium Museum Trip – Tuesday 3rd March

Y4 will be visiting the Verulamium Museum in St Albans on Tuesday 3rd March. This is a rescheduled trip that unfortunately couldn't take place in the Autumn term due to adverse weather. Previous Arbor permissions and payments have been transferred to the new trip date.

Please provide your child with a packed lunch for this trip.

Please can all children be in school for 08:30am on the day of this trip as we need to leave promptly.

Trip update/exciting addition

In addition to the museum visit and workshop, the team at the Roman Museum have kindly invited us to take part in and witness a live archaeological dig. Their resident archaeologist is working on an excavation at The Verulamium and wants to demonstrate the process by which they recover and study the materials that your children will be seeing in the gallery. It is part of the same site that was excavated last summer, which was covered by the [BBC](#). The additional 30 minute experience will consist of a 3 minute guided walk to the excavation site, where children will be split into two groups, with one half seeing the excavation in progress whilst the other half will see, handle, and maybe even wash some of the artefacts recovered so far! The group will then swap activities.

Year 2 London Landmarks - Tuesday 17th March

Y2 will take part in an educational visit to London as part of their London landmarks curriculum theme. 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.

Junior Swimming Gala (Y3 – Y6) – Wednesday 18th March

Our KS2 (Y3 – Y6) swimming gala will be held at Teddington Pool on Wednesday 18th March 2026 at 13:30.

Please complete the permission and payment within your child's Arbor account by **Monday 2nd March**, thank you.

Spectators: Teddington Pool have a limited number of 60 spectator spaces on their balcony. As in previous years, we will prioritise offering one space to one adult per child in years 5 and 6 first.

Year 5 and 6 parents/carers, thank you for requesting a spectator ticket - all those who requested a ticket have been allocated a space (an email will be sent to you to confirm this).

We now open up the remaining spaces to parents and carers of children in Year 3 and Year 4. Please complete your spectator booking form [here](#) letting us know if you would like a space and the name of which parent will be attending by Friday 27th February. If we have more spectator applicants than permitted spectator tickets we will then pull the names of Year 3 and Year 4 parent/carers out of a hat. After 27th February we will let parents/carers in Year 3 and 4 know if they have been allocated a space.



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Community News

Are you a mum thinking about returning to work?

The award-winning Kingston GRoW programme is here to help you find your feet and build your confidence!

Whether you're just starting to think about your next steps or you're ready to dive back in, come and have a chat with the friendly team at one of our upcoming local sessions:

Kingsnympton Youth and Community Centre: 12th February at 12:30pm

Ready to sign up? Join the team at The Guildhall on 4th March or 1st April (10am-Noon).

The team speaks a wide variety of languages including Urdu, Punjabi, Tamil, Farsi, Pashto, Hindi, Malayalam, and Ukrainian to ensure everyone feels welcome.

[Kingston Grow poster.](#)

Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Inclusion Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 10th February



Safer Internet Day 2026 will take place on the 10th of February 2026, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'.

Everyone's talking about AI, and with many children and young people hearing about and using AI online, it's important they have the skills and confidence to make safe choices when they are using smart technology.

This Safer Internet Day we are exploring the impact of AI on all of our lives, looking at how AI can be used for good, and giving advice and guidance that empowers people to use AI safely and responsibly.

Children will be reminded of the school's [Acceptable Use Policies](#) and guidance for how to use devices that are connected to the internet safely and responsibly through whole school assemblies and in their classes.

[Support for parents and carers](#)

[Support for grandparents with online safety](#)

Phase transfer events

An information evening for parents and carers of children with education, health and care plans (EHCPs), in Years 4 or 5 of primary school in the Richmond borough.

- [Transferring from primary to secondary school if you have an EHCP in Richmond.](#)

Family Hubs



The schedule for groups and activities at the Richmond family Hubs for the Spring term can be found [here](#). There are a range of classes available to support children and families, particularly those with younger children.

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Mental Health Support Team



We work closely with the AfC Mental Health Support Team to signpost and provide access to training, education and therapies for children and families. Families have recently been supported with 1:1 coaching, play therapy and CBT for children and signposting to other AfC courses. Please click [here](#) to see the support that is available and speak with Miss McAvoy or complete a [self-referral](#). Current referrals are being processed and families are accessing support within 6-8 weeks. Details of their programme of webinars to support families with a range of concerns can be found [here](#).

ADHD Embrace Advice Clinics



ADHD Embrace advice clinic for all the ADHD families in schools, either with or awaiting for a diagnosis

Our locally funded Advice Clinics are available to residents of the London Boroughs of Richmond and Kingston at a minimal cost. These private and confidential sessions provide a supportive space to discuss any challenges related to ADHD.

[To book an appointment, please click this link.](#)

ADHD Embrace resources

1. [Our website](#) also has a wealth of information including [videos on past seminars](#).
2. [Our forthcoming events page](#)

Also for **parents** we have the following in the coming weeks:

- [A Meet up this coming Friday](#), which is a great way to meet other parents on the journey
- [A seminar on diagnosis pathways if their child has not yet been diagnosed](#)
- [Post diagnosis events for parents if they have a diagnosis, which always gets excellent reviews from parents](#)
- [Post diagnosis events for children and young people and we have three age groups – these are also popular](#)
- [Advice clinics for one to one advice](#)

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...

Next Friday, the School Association will be holding a second-hand uniform sale and a Valentine's Day cake sale after school in the playground.

SPRING TERM 2026

Tuesday 10 th February	Y2 Whitton Library
Thursday 12 th February	LDBS Annual Service at St Paul's Cathedral – Faith Ambassadors
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th Feb	February Half Term – school closed
Tuesday 24 th February	Y3 Orleans House
Thursday 26 th February	Y5 & Y6 Westminster Abbey Holy Week Trip
Friday 27 th February	Y3 Whitton Library
Tuesday 3 rd March	Y4 Re-scheduled Roman Museum Trip All children to be in by 08:30am as early departure time.
Thursday 12 th March	Y2 Class Assembly
Tuesday 17 th March	Y2 Trip to London – River Cruise
Wednesday 18 th March	Swimming Gala – Year 3- 6 (13:30pm)
w/c 23 rd March	Last week of Extra Curricular Clubs Spring Term
Friday 27 th March	Easter Service at St. Augustine's Church, 12:30 – 1:30pm Last day of term – early finish: 1:50pm – YR, 2pm – Year 1 - 6
Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April	Easter Holiday – School closed
Monday 13 th April	Children return from Easter holiday
Thursday 30 th April	Year 1 class assembly
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday – School closed
Tuesday 5 th May – Friday 8 th May	Y5 Residential Trip
Thursday 7 th May	Y1 Toys through the ages workshop at School
Monday 18 th May	Y4 Kew Gardens – more details to follow
25 th – 29 th May	Half Term School closed
Monday 1 st June	INSET Day – School closed
Tuesday 2 nd June	Y3 Allianz Stadium Trip – more details to follow
Thursday 11 th June	Year 5 class assembly
22 nd June – 26 th June	Y6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 1 st July	Sports Morning – more details to follow
Thursday 2 nd July	Reception Class assembly
Friday 17 th July	Leavers' Service at St. Augustine's Church Last day of term – early finish: 1:50pm – YR, 2pm – Year 1 - 6
Monday 20 th July	INSET Day – School closed

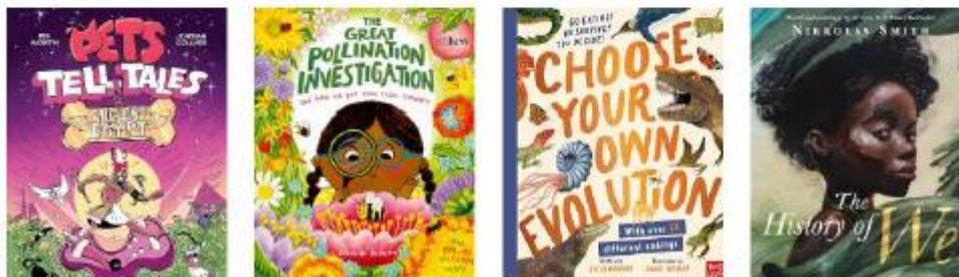
WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATIONS – Thursday 5th March 2026



Picture fiction, age 4 – 7 years, (Years R, 1 & 2)



Guest category: non-fiction, age 4 – 11 years, open to all year groups



Fiction, age 7 – 9 years (Year 3 – 4)



Fiction, age 9 – 11 years (Years 5 – 6)





BISHOP PERRIN'S
SECOND-HAND
UNIFORM & VALENTINE
BAKE
SALE



FRI 13TH FEB

3.15PM In the
playground

Cupcakes, cookies, brownies,
sweet cones and more!

Please bring baked donations
in on Friday 13th at drop off

♥ Supporting the School Association ♥



BISHOP PERRIN'S QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT!



A fun-filled evening of food from *Heena's Currys* (Chicken and Vegi), games and friendly competition, hosted by *Interrupt the Routine* – with a high-energy quiz, raffle and prizes to round off the night.



SAT 28TH FEB

7.15– 10.30PM £17.50 ENTRY BYOB



To book and for more info:



www.tickettailor.com/events/bishopperrinschoolassociation/2019127

SAVE THE DATE



**BISHOP PERRIN'S
SUMMER
FETE**

2026

SUN 28TH JUNE

12 – 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 15th February 2026

Come and join us!



For more information contact:

PROTECTING YOUNG MINDS



SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS ON HARMFUL ONLINE SPACES

A two-hour,
interactive workshop
designed to help
parents build
confidence around
online safety and
digital wellbeing.

KEY TOPICS WE'LL EXPLORE:

- Understanding harmful online influences and groups
- Warning signs a young person is engaging in harmful online activity
- Understanding parental controls
- How to hold difficult conversations
- How to access support

For more information email:
kanika@groundswell.world



SCAN QR CODE OR [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER NOW](#)

Date: Thu 12th Feb
Time: 10AM-12PM

Location:
Online via Google Meet



**GROUNDSWELL
PROJECT**
groundswellproject.org



HALF TERM AT THE EXCHANGE



Flowers & Friendship Bracelets
The Ultimate Pop Concert!
SATURDAY 14 FEBRUARY
6 PM



Out Of The Box
Circus Comedy Show
MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY
11 AM



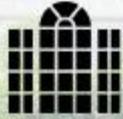
Grow (2025) (PG)
WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY
2 PM



How To Survive In Space - Starring
CBBC'S Operation Ouch! O-Twins
FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY
11 AM & 2 PM



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CHISWICK HOUSE
& GARDENS TRUST



Join us this
February half-term
for an afternoon of
outdoor fun at our
Gardening Together
volunteering session

Gardening Together
Wednesday 18 February
1.30 - 3.30pm
Free entry, but registration is
essential



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