



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 13th February

Headteacher's Hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to the children who took part in the borough swimming gala on Tuesday. It was another swimming success for BP, with the children doing really well in their races, winning some medals and representing their school admirably in terms of teamwork, participation and achievement. Well done to everyone involved, and thank you to Miss Murray and Mrs Miah for accompanying the children.

Our Faith Ambassadors visited St. Paul's Cathedral yesterday to participate in a special service for schools led by the diocese. Mrs Crinall and Mr Nimmo accompanied the children and reported back what great ambassadors they were for the school, and what a wonderful opportunity it had been to experience this special visit.

We have had a number of cases of nits in school recently. Half term provides an ideal opportunity to address this issue. If all parents and carers could please take some time to check their child's hair and if necessary treat the nits, this can help put a halt to the transference from one child to another once we are back at school.

Next week is Ash Wednesday. We will be marking this in school the following Wednesday (25th Feb). As noted in our previous newsletters, Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 will be going to church that morning for a service led by Reverend Helen. If you want your child to be offered the ash on their forehead, please give permission [via this form](#) by Tuesday 24th February to allow us enough time to make prepare for the visit. Reception, Year 1 and 2 will have their usual collective worship in school that morning.

Wishing you and your families a lovely weekend and an enjoyable half-term break. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 23rd February.

Miss Macklearn





Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school: 96.85%

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 talked about using kind words and strategies to manage when people say unkind things to us; on Tuesday Miss Sweeney talked about Safer Internet Day, and on Thursday Fr. Kevin led us in worship about the tale of the wise lion.

School News

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 Tuesday 24th 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.

The Richmond Music Trust Annual Singing Festival

Year 4 are taking part in this year's RMT Singing Festival at the Rose Theatre in Kingston. The festival takes place over two days in May; we will be singing on the morning of Tuesday 19th May. Further details of timings and how to get tickets for the event have not been confirmed yet but will be sent to parents and carers as soon as we receive this information.

The children will be learning 6 songs for the festival and will bring home a song pack after half-term. Your support in practising these songs at home too will be greatly appreciated!

Many thanks, Miss Sweeney
We are an allergy-aware school

Visit to St. Paul's Cathedral

On Thursday 12th February, the Faith Ambassadors from Year 3 – 6 attended a service at St. Paul's Cathedral. All of the LDBS (diocese) schools sent a group of pupils to attend and everyone enjoyed it. Everyone learned a lot and there were many opportunities. Even though the weather wasn't good, we had a great time and represented the school excellently.
Ronan, Faith Ambassador Leader, Year 6

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 have some copies in school for the children to borrow.

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.

Royal Academy of Arts – Young Artists' Summer Show 2026

Bishop Perrin Church of England Primary, has registered for the Royal Academy of Arts '[Young Artists' Summer Show 2026](#).' The Young Artists' Summer Show is an opportunity for UK based young artists to make and share a piece of artwork that truly expresses their own voice.

Now in its eighth year, the Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4–18 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. Prizes are awarded each year for inspiring artworks and are generally a gift voucher for art materials.

Parent/Guardians can submit artwork on the student's behalf online.

- The deadline to submit artwork is 4 March 2026 at 5pm.
- A teacher must first register your child's school before you can submit. - *We have registered and can be found under our full name: Bishop Perrin Church of England Primary School.*
- You can submit one artwork per student
- For each submission you'll need one image of the artwork plus details including a title, medium and a short description
- You can save your submission as a draft and submit it at a later date if you need more time.

Please visit [here](#) to submit your child's artwork. Select the parent/guardian button and register for an account. Once registered, you will be able to upload the art via the Bishop Perrin Church of England Primary School registered school.

Take a look at the last years' Young Artists' Summer Show [here](#).

Happy art making and good luck! Mrs Chawla



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Celebrations and Achievements

Children who have earned a certificate this week:

CLASS	NAME
Year R	Lucas
Year 1	Ronin
Year 2	All of Year 2
Year 3	Idris
Year 4	Kye
Year 5	James
Year 6	Matthew G.

Infant class of the week: Year R
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.

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 Shadownscapes: 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.

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.

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.

Year 4 Kew Gardens Trip – Monday 18th May

Y4 will visit Kew Gardens as part of their Summer Term curriculum learning. Travelling via private return coach.

Please complete **payment by the 31st March** via your child's Arbor Account. This trip has been slightly subsidised if you are in receipt of means tested free school meals.

Packed Lunch - Please provide your child with a packed lunch for this trip from home, alternatively the school can provide a trip lunch, to book one please click [here](#) and order by the 10th April.

We may require adult volunteers to help with this trip. If you are available please let the office know ASAP, we will let you know if you are needed.



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Community News

Spring sounds: a day of music and discovery

A Day of Music & Discovery – a free, inclusive event on Sunday, March 22, 2026 (10am–5:30pm) at Kingston University's Town House (Penrhyn Road, KT1 2EE).

Supported by Arts Council England, this drop-in day celebrates community music-making with hands-on tasters, workshops (e.g., gamelan, composing for video games), talks (e.g., benefits of ensembles), and singing and instrumental performances.

Divided into family-friendly zones, it's ideal for students (all ages/abilities), encouraging creativity, confidence, and cultural engagement – aligning with curriculum goals in music, wellbeing, and community.

[Continue reading about Spring sounds: a day of music and discovery.](#)

The Mayor's Silent Disco

Orleans Park School, Richmond Road, Twickenham TW1 3BA
Saturday 28 February 2026

Welcoming and Relaxed Afternoon Session – 4:30pm to 6:00pm
Designed for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Tickets £10 – accompanying adults attend for free.

Evening Session – 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Open to everyone – come and dance the night away!

Tickets £20 – 25% discount for groups of four or more.

A chill-out zone/quiet room will be available.

Free headset when booking in advance.

Booking: Tickets can be purchased via:

www.richmond.gov.uk/mayors_charities

Box Office: 020 8891 7123

All proceeds go to the Mayor's charities:

Crossroads Care – Supporting Carers

Small Steps – Helping Children with Disabilities

Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Inclusion

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.

Mental Health Support Team



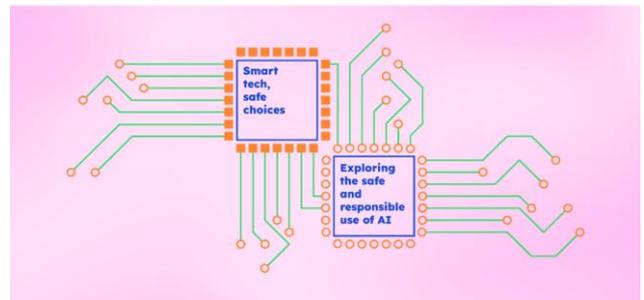
We work closely with the AfC Mental Health Support Team to signpost and provide access to training, education and therapies for children and families. Families have recently been supported with 1:1 coaching, play therapy and CBT for children and signposting to other AfC courses. Please click [here](#) 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](#).

Safer Internet Day 2026

We learnt about Safer Internet Day on Tuesday. We learnt about who we could talk to, what it was and who celebrated it around the world. The theme was about AI. There are lots of things that the human brain can do that AI can't and here are some examples of things that we can do that AI can't: AI can't have dreams; AI doesn't have an imagination; AI can't experience feelings. There are lots of things that AI can help us with too: it can help us with organisation, translation, entertainment and lots more. AI can be entertaining but we must be sensible with how we use it. If we are having problems about online safety you could talk to a trusted adult like: a teacher, your parents or any adult you trust. We have enjoyed learning about Safer Internet Day and we hope that you will take our advice on how to be safe online.

By Matthew P and Sophia, Technology Leaders, Year 6

Happy Safer Internet Day everyone!



And finally...

Wishing everyone an enjoyable and relaxing half term break.

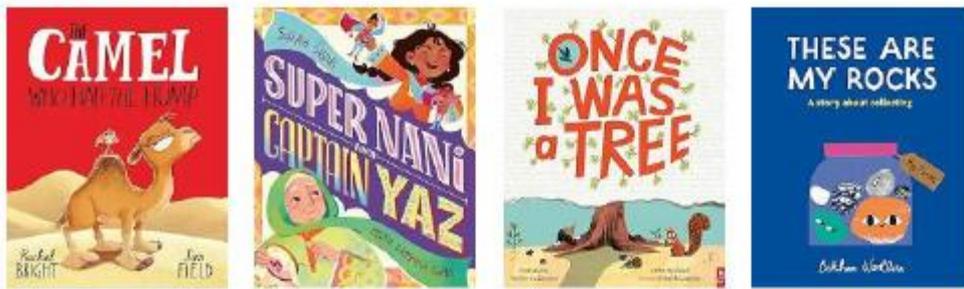
SPRING TERM 2026

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 4th 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
25th – 29th May	Half Term School closed
Monday 1st 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
22nd June – 26th June	Y6 Residential Trip
Wednesday 1 st July	Sports Morning – more details to follow
Thursday 2 nd July	Reception Class assembly
Friday 10 th July	Y3 – Marble Hill and Twickenham Museum – more details to follow
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 20th July	INSET Day – School closed

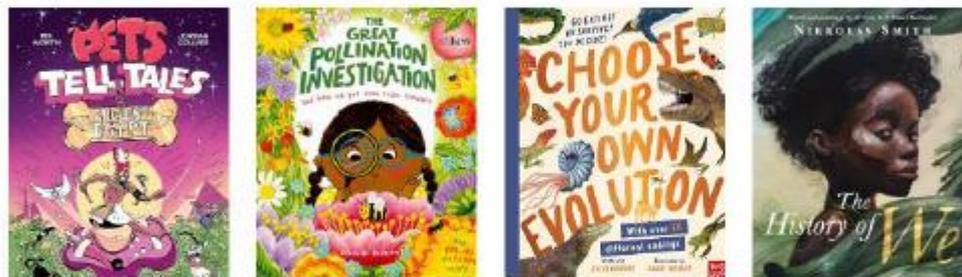
WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATIONS – Thursday 5th March 2026



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 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

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**BISHOP PERRIN'S
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2026

SUN 28TH JUNE

12 – 3PM



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Call for entries

An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–18, who are living and studying in the UK, to exhibit their artwork on site or online at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Open for submissions

5 January–4 March 2026

Find out more and enter

roy.ac/youngartists

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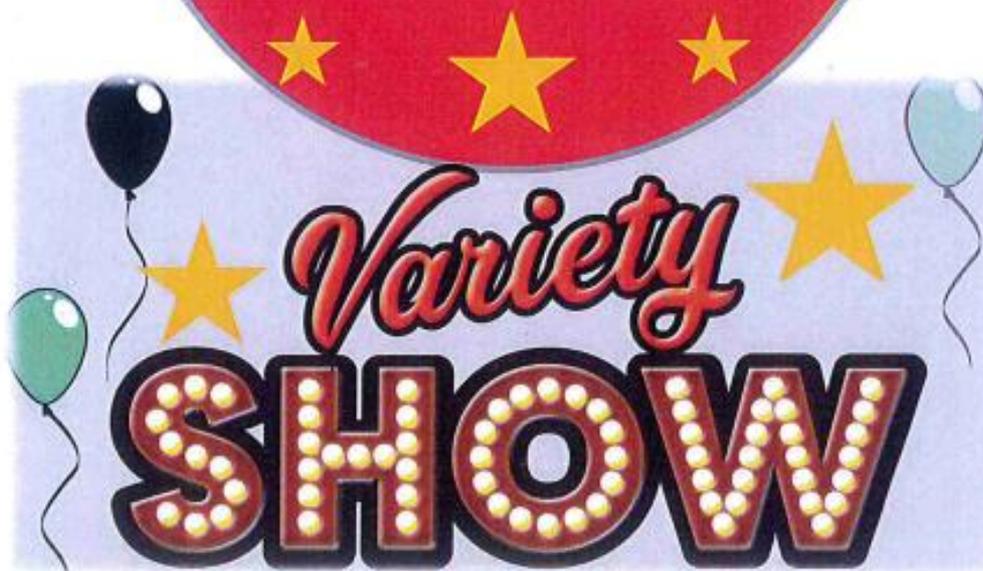
Young Artists' Summer Show

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SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2026 7.00-9PM

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