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.

Friday 17th October

Headteacher's Hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see you at our parent consultations this week – thank you for coming along. We hope that you valued the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher and hear how your child has settled into their new class, whilst having a chance to look at their work.

We enjoyed a wonderful Harvest Festival celebration on Wednesday morning. Our thanks to Reverend Helen for leading the service for us; to Mrs Place and the choir for the wonderful singing, and to all the children and families for their generosity in donating so many food items. On behalf of Whitton Food Bank, who were delighted to receive the substantial food donation, a huge thank you to everyone.

The children were all looking very smart for their school photographs yesterday. Proofs and order forms for the photographs will be sent out in a few weeks time.

A reminder that we have recently become a Parkrun Primary. This weekend we are encouraging children to come along to Moormead Park with their families on Sunday morning to take part in the Junior Parkrun event. The event is free, and children can run, walk, jog or skip the 2k route, or simply come along to spectate or volunteer. If your child is going to participate, you will need to register them - please see the attached letter for more details for how to do this. The letter also includes details for how to link to our Bishop Perrin School Parkrun group, so your child's run can contribute towards our target of collectively completing 90 runs by the summer. Warm up starts at **8:55am**, with the parkrun starting at **9am**. Miss McAvoy and I will be there to cheer the children on, and it would be lovely to see many of them there giving it a go if you can make it. If you do come along and would like to share some photos of your child taking part with us, please send them in and we will put them up on our Parkrun Primary display board in school.

Junior Parkrun will be a great way to start our Wellbeing Week at school next week (see later in the newsletter for more details of this).

Next week, the School Association will be holding their Annual General Meeting, with the opportunity to vote the committee in for the coming year, and to discuss upcoming events and ways in which the SA funds can support the school. The meeting will be held on Thursday 23rd October evening in the school hall and online, starting at 7.15pm. Please do come along, as a minimum of 50 attendees are required for the meeting to go ahead.

After half term, all children should be wearing their winter school uniform. Details of this can be found in our <u>school uniform policy</u>. As the weather gets a little colder, a reminder that coats should be of a plain, dark colour, as should hats, scarves and gloves – no football scarves please. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name. Next Friday after school, the SA will be holding a second-hand uniform sale - a great opportunity to get some essentials at reduced costs. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to organise this.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Macklearn

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Attendance and Punctuality

Whole school: 97.7%

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 talked about how we have become a Parkrun Primary, what this means and how to get involved. On Wednesday, Reverend Helen led us in our Harvest Festival. To all our families celebrating Diwali over the next few days, we wish you a joyous time with your families.

School News Just One Tree Day

As part of our school Wellbeing Week (20 – 24th October), we will be taking part in JUST ONE Tree Day on Friday 24th October. The importance of connecting with nature and the positive impact this has on our wellbeing is widely established. Similarly, making an intentional contribution towards helping others can contribute to our wellbeing. JUST ONE Tree, an official partner in the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration supports reforestation projects in areas severely affected by deforestation such as Kenya, Madagascar, Mozambique & Brazil. In doing so they have the greatest positive effect on limiting global warming whilst simultaneously alleviating extreme poverty within local communities through the provision of training, agricultural education and sustainable incomes.

All children and staff are encouraged to wear their own clothes on Friday 24th October, including something green, and bring in £1 to fund the planting of their tree. JUST ONE Tree makes it simple for everyone to take collective action on the climate crisis because just £1 plants 1 Tree. Please bring your suggested donation of £1 to school on Friday 24th October. More information can be found at: https://www.justonetree.life/ We look forward to counting the number of trees that our school community can plant! Mrs English

Harvest Festival

This week at school, we have been celebrating harvest with a Harvest Festival. We were giving thanks for the crops gathered from the fields and to celebrate the end of the growing season. As with every year, parents, carers and families generously donated different food and other supplies. So many people brought in food, two tables were filled! Reverend Helen hosted our festival. We were captivated by the choir's energetic performance that made everybody smile. We loved Harvest Festival and are very grateful for our wonderful assembly and the generosity on display at our wonderful worship. It was nice to have parents and carers come to celebrate with us.

Zoe and Lewis, Year 6 Communications Leaders



Governor News

Governors met on Wednesday evening for this half-term's full governing board meeting. They were pleased to vote in Mrs Kerry Dogget to the position of Co-Vice Chair, and were happy to hear how well the children have settled into the new term. Amongst other things, governors reviewed the new School Evaluation and Development Plan for 2025- 26 – a summary version of this will be available for parents to view on the school website shortly.

Earlier this week, governors met to review the school's finances. With the financial challenges schools are currently facing nationally and falling roll numbers in schools across the borough and across London contributing to this, careful monitoring and management of the Budget by the School and governors is essential. We discussed the financial position for the next school year where maintaining healthy finances will be even more challenging.

Arts Richmond Young Writers Festival

We are excited to share a wonderful opportunity for children who enjoy writing. The Arts Richmond Young Writers Festival 2025/26 is now open for entries and we would love as many of our children as possible to take part.

Children are invited to demonstrate their writing skills by submitting a short story or poem.

Key details:

There are two themes this year – 'My World' and 'Something Extraordinary'. You can choose either of these themes to write a short story which can be any length up to 500 words, or a poem with a maximum of 25 lines.

Deadline for entries: Friday 5th December 2025

Age groups: Entries are judged in four different age categories from KS1 upwards

Prizes: Awards will be given to all winning entries **Celebration event:** Shortlisted entrants will be invited to a gala performance at The Exchange Theatre, Twickenham, on Sunday 15th March 2026, where their work will be performed by drama students

Anthology: A professionally printed anthology featuring the 40 shortlisted pieces will also be produced and sold This is a fantastic chance for children to develop their creativity, confidence and love of writing. As a school, we are setting this as a homework option for anyone interested in taking part.

How to enter:

Please visit the Arts Richmond website for full details and entry instructions: https://artsrichmond.org.uk

We would love to see as many of our children as possible involved in this exciting project.

Many thanks, Miss Sweeney

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Year 1 Food Tasting

Y1 will be food tasting on Tuesday 21st October during their science lesson. This will include:

- Sweet and salty popcorn
- Lemon
- Plain crisps
- Apple

If you do not wish for your child to take part, or you require further details of food items please speak to Mrs Beith or the office by Monday.

We are aware of specific allergies within this class and will make provision accordingly.

School Christmas Cards

Thank you to those who returned their child's Christmas card designs, they have been sent off ready for your order processing. If anyone still wants to send their child's off you can do this independently via the following address. As this is now classed as "late" they cannot guarantee it will come with our school order. Please action ASAP if required:

Cauliflower Group Ltd, Unit 7a, Woolmer way, Bordon, GU35 9QE

Celebrations and Achievements

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

CLASS	NAME
Year R	Sofia
Year 1	Michael
Year 2	Aminah
Year 3	Aiyan
Year 4	Sarah and Amtej
Year 5	Theo H
Year 6	Leo

Infant class of the week: Year 1 Junior class of the week: Year 3

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 6 Residential – Bowles Rocks

Children visiting Bowles Rocks 22nd – 26th June 2026.

In order to secure a place for your child on this trip, please pay the non-refundable deposit of £100 per child to be paid by 1st October 2025. Payments to be made online only via your child's Arbor account. Deposits are now overdue, please action this today or speak to the school office if needed.

Year 6 School on the River

Year 6 will participate in the School on the River project on 13th November. Please note children will be back at the slightly later time of 3:45pm ready for usual collection or walking home as per agreements.

Please complete your child's consent and payment via the ARBOR app, within the trips section to ensure your child can attend by the 1st November.

Lunch - Please provide your child with a packed lunch for this trip or order a school provided one here by 1st November.

Year 4 Roman Museum

On Thursday 23rd October 2025 Y4 will visit the Verulamium Museum in St Albans. They will travel to and from the venue via coach.

Please complete the outstanding payment and permission ASAP as this is now overdue. Please head to your child's Arbor account to complete this within the trips section.

Packed Lunch required.

Year 4 Into Film Festival

On Wednesday 26th November, Year 4 will visit Hounslow Cineworld as part of the Into Film Festival. The Into Film Festival aims to help educators bring learning to life for 5-19-year-olds across the UK by inspiring young people to watch, understand and make films in new and creative ways. The children will be watching: Double Bill: Tiddler & Tabby McTat.

Please complete the mandatory sign up/permission for this trip within your child's ARBOR account by 20th November.

Travel update: Turing House School will be kindly giving us a lift to and from the venue via their mini buses.

Year 3 Butser Ancient Farm

On Tuesday 4^{th} November 2025 Y3 will visit Butser Ancient Farm. They will travel to and from the venue via coach.

Please complete the payment and permission by the 20th

Please provide a packed lunch from home for this trip or order a school one here by 20th October.

Information regarding dress code: In line with the workshop guidance provided by Butser Ancient Farm, children are advised to wear warm sports clothing that is able to get dirty on the trip, not school uniform. For example, tracksuit bottom, old shoes, an old t-shirt, a hoodie/sweater and a waterproof coat.

Year 1 Seasonal Walk

On Monday 20th October Year 1 will visit Heathfield Rec for a seasonal walk where they will be looking for signs of seasonal change.

We need some adult volunteers to help us please. We will be leaving school at 1:45pm and will be out for about an hour before returning to school. If you can help please let the office know. Thank you.

Church Visits

Class visits to St. Augustine's Church this term will be as follows:

Tuesday 25th November – Year 6

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.



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Be respectful and honest

Be kind

Be safe

Be a role model

Be independent

Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Inclusion

National Childhood Measurement Programme and Parent Portal Sign Up - Reception and Year 6

The Richmond School Nursing Team, will visit children in Reception and Year 6 on the 14th January to conduct the National Child Measurement Programme. An email was sent to you this week with details regarding this and information on how to sign up, and opt out if required, via the parent portal.

Introducing the Parent Portal (School Screener)

School Health Services will be using an electronic way of communicating with parents and carers through a secure web-based portal. Parents and carers of children in **Reception** and **Year 6** are being asked to register on the portal to receive information and register on the 2025-2026 National Child Measurement Programme and to opt out should you wish to, using the following link:

https://wnr009.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/36378/g/hSA S2526

It's a really quick process and all you need is an email address which you have access to. Using the drop-down menu, select your child's school. Once registered you can login and add your child/ren's details. We request that 4-6 weeks after the measurement has taken place you log into your School Screener account to view your child's result letter.

If you have any questions you would like to discuss or if your child has a medical condition that affects their height or weight, please contact the team using the details below: Tel: 0330 058 1679

Email: clcht.0-19wandsworthandrichmondadmin@nhs.net

Action-attainment: Parent Detectives and Navigating Inclusion

Understanding neurodiverse children with sensory and communication needs

Action-attainment's online workshop programme is for parents and teaching staff of children with hidden, neurodiverse, sensory and communication needs. It examines how we can use vital primary years to implement strategies, plan and prepare for secondary school.

The first workshop from 6, will take place from 7:30-9pm, online, on the 23 October.

Recordings of the workshops will also be available, if it is not possible to attend the live event, as well as concession places.

More information on the Action-attainment website.

Wellbeing Week – 20-24th October 2025 Healthy Hearts

A range of activities are planned for Wellbeing Week – Healthy Hearts. Children will be exploring ways to support their own healthy hearts, healthy bodies and healthy relationships.

Parents and carers are invited to join others for a social coffee morning on Wednesday 22nd October (8:45-9:30) to share recipes with others and to get to know each other. Sign up using the QR code later in the newsletter or using this link:

https://forms.gle/7xHgjo5WWmPNxTm68



Talk PANTS

<u>Talk PANTS</u> promotes simple conversations with young children

to keep children safe from sexual abuse.

Developed with children, parents, carers and teachers, Talk PANTS introduces child safety messages with the help of PANTosaurus. Children are familiar with this message through their learning in PSHE. Please watch the video for parents and carers to be able to support this language and learning at home in a way that is appropriate for children of different ages.

Talk PANTS Information Session Parents/carers



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 during the school holidays, contact SPA directly on 020 8547 5008 or call the police if the child is in immediate danger.

Borrowed Clothes/Underwear

When a child has a toilet accident in school, they are cleaned and changed. If your child has borrowed anything from the medical room, please could it be returned. We are now desperately short of knickers, pants and socks. If you have any at home, we would be really grateful if you could return them. Thank you.

Also, it would be really helpful if all infant children had spare underwear in their PE bags please.

Thank you for your understanding. Mrs Sandell/Ms Ruslan

Medical Tracker

When a child bumps their head, parents will be sent an email notifying them. There is a link to acknowledge that you have seen the email which should only take a couple of seconds to do. We would ask that if you receive an email with a link in, you acknowledge immediately which will save us calling you.

And finally...

JA Sports Dodgeball Offer

We are looking to increase participation at the Thursday dodgeball club.

We are offering the opportunity to attend our last session of the half term (Thu 23 Oct 25) for £1. Link below: https://jasportscoaching.classforkids.io/info/1207

Thank you,



Key Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2025	
Tuesday 21st October	Flu Immunisations
Thursday 23 rd October	Y4 Roman Museum Trip
Friday 24 th October	JUST ONE Tree Day – non-uniform day, £1 donation, wear something green in support of this charity SA Second Hand Uniform Sale 15:15 School Playground
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	October Half Term – school closed
Tuesday 4 th November	Y3 Trip Butser Ancient Farm Trip
Wednesday 5 th November	Y5 Royal Albert Hall Trip (They will return to Bishop Perrin School at the slightly later time of 3:45pm - 4:00pm for collection.)
Thursday 13 th November	Y6 School on the River Trip (Please note children will be back at the slightly later time of 3:45pm ready for usual collection or walking home)
Tuesday 25 th November	Y6 to St Augustine's Church
Wednesday 26th November	Y4 Into Film Festival - Cineworld
Thursday 27th November	Year 6 class assembly
Friday 28 th November	INSET day – school closed to pupils
Monday 15th December	Christmas Pantomime in school
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
Thursday 5 th February	Y1 Windsor Castle Trip
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th Feb	February Half Term – school closed

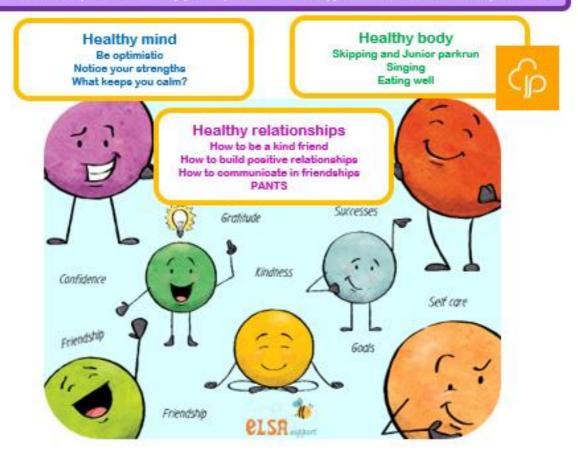


Healthy Hearts

Wellbeing Week

20th - 24th October 2025

What can you do to support your wellbeing this week and every week?





Healthy Hearts

Wellbeing Week Coffee Morning

Wednesday 22nd October 2025



Scan or click <u>here</u> to reserve a space

All welcome to join us for the first coffee morning of the school year.

Come along to meet other families, have a chat and get to know one another.

Please bring a favourite recipe to share!



Second-Hand Uniform Sale



>>>> DATE: FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

>>>> LOCATION: PLAYGROUND

>>>>> TIME: 3:15PM



Contact us: BPSA.Uniform2nds@gmail.com

Cash & Card accepted



Mayor & Leaders Christmas Card Competition 2025 Guideline Sheet

- The competition is open to primary school children aged 5-11years
- We can only accept entries from children if they either live in the London Borough of Richmond upon Thames or go to school in the borough
- Entries should be A5 in size (just fold an A4 sheet in half)
- It must be your own original image
- Please use colours
- The winner of the competition will have their design made into a real card and the Mayor and Leader will send these out to their official mailing list
- Closing date for entries is 10am Monday 17th November 2025
- Please remember to write the name of the child, their age and their school or address on the back of their entry so we are able to notify them if they submit a winning entry.

Please send your entries to:

Mayor's Christmas Card Competition
Mayor's Office
York House
Richmond Road
Twickenham
TW1 3AA
Or email to mayors.office@richmond.gov.uk

Unfortunately, entries cannot be returned due to the volume we receive

The Nurturing Programme

Talking Teens The Centre for Emotional Health Four week parent group

The Talking Teens Parent Group helps deal with your challenges over four sessions, so you can have a calmer, happier family life.

Being a parent of a teenager

- The role of parents for teenagers
- · Responding to difficult feelings

2 Understanding your teenager

- Understanding teenage development
- · Parenting styles
- · Praise and criticism

3 Communicating with your teenager

- · Talking and listening
- Communicating clearly
- · Handling difficult issues

4 Managing conflict

- · Rules and boundaries
- · Choosing how to respond
- Problem solving

Starting - Tuesday 4th November for 4 consecutive weeks from 1.30pm-3.30pm

At Kingston Library, Fairfield Rd

Kingston, KT1 2PS

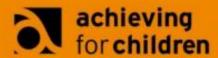
Contact details

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Come as you are... go as all you can be



Visitor Mornings

Friday 7th November 9am Wednesday 12th November 9am

Personal tours available throughout the year

Independent Senior Day School | Boys 11-18 years | Girls 16-18 years 01932 223593 | registrar@hallifordschool.co.uk | hallifordschool.co.uk

Click here to book your visit