

## 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 7th November

### Headteacher's Hello

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have settled back into school well this week after their half-term break. They look very smart in their winter school uniform – thank you for your support with this and helping to uphold our school uniform policy as an important aspect of our school community.

As always, it's been a busy week with a number of different activities going on. Year 1 were out on a nature walk on Monday, exploring the local area and looking at signs of the autumn season. Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic visit to Butser Farm on Tuesday, learning all about the Stone Age. They returned full of excitement and enthusiasm about all the things they had seen and done. On Wednesday, Year 5 enjoyed a cultural visit to the Royal Albert Hall for a 'Future Makers' musical performance by young artists. You can see some of the photographs from these visits on our Instagram page. My thanks to all the staff and volunteers who have made these visits possible. Well done to all the children: I had glowing reports about the behaviour of each of the classes whilst out of school, which is lovely to hear.

We look forward to welcoming a new staff member to our team next week. Mrs Georgina Sainsbury will be joining us as a Teaching and Learning Assistant, supporting children mainly in KS2. We also have a new PE coach, Mr. Toby Pattemore has joined us this week.

As we start the new half term, children will be starting a new theme unit in class. You can find out all about what your child will be learning about in school this half term, by visiting the <u>curriculum page</u> of our school website.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Macklearn



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#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Whole school: 96.73%

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 All Saints Day and Remembrance. On Thursday, Mr Nimmo led us in collective worship which was also all about Remembrance.

#### **School News**

#### Is my child too ill for school?

If your child is unwell, they should not be in school. Please see <a href="here">here</a> for guidance on when it is ok to send your child into school if they are feeling a little under the weather, or when to keep them at home.

#### **CLASS TEXTS**

For next half term, the key texts for classes are listed below. We do have a supply of these books in school for use in class, but it is very helpful if your child is able to have their own copy. If your child has had their own copy of a class text during the year and no longer has a use for it, please consider donating it to our school supplies for future classes to use – thank you. Year R and Year 1 read a selection of picture books, they do not need their own copies of these.

	Autumn 2	
Year 2	The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark – Jill	
	Tomlinson	
Year 3	A Pebble in My Pocket – Meredith Hooper	
Year 4	When the Mountains Roared– Jess	
	Butterworth	
Year 5	Kick – Mitch Johnson	
Year 6	Stay Where You Are, Then Leave – John	
	Boyne	

#### Children's Birthdays

If parents and carers wish to acknowledge their child's birthday with their classmates in school, they are encouraged to donate a book to the school library. A book plate will be placed on the inside cover of the book, acknowledging the donor. Distribution of gift bags, sweet treats, cakes, etc. should be saved for outside of school. Thank you.

#### Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity

We are very excited to begin learning our songs for the Nativity performance. The performances of the Nativity are on Wednesday 17 December (9am) and Thursday 18 December (2pm).

If you know that your child will not be in school on these dates please could you let your child's class teacher know. Thank you. Mrs Place

#### **School Uniform**

All children are now expected to be wearing their winter school uniform. Details of this can be found in our <u>school</u> <u>uniform policy</u> – school shirt and tie please, no polo shirts.

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 so that they can be returned to the correct owner if they are misplaced.

Additionally, black school shoes or plain black ankle-high boots. No trainers except for PE. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

#### Required Winter Uniform

Children must wear winter uniform from October half term onwards until the Easter holidays.

Children may choose to wear winter uniform from September.

School jumper / cardigan Plain white collared shirt

School tie (elasticated for infants and non- elasticated for juniors)
Grey knee-length skirt / pinafore / culottes / trousers / knee-length shorts
Black / grey tights or grey, black or white socks

Black school shoes
Black ankle-high plain black boots

#### **Christmas Lunch**

Please see below for details of the children's Christmas lunch, which will be served on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December. In previous years, we have asked for parents to order in advance in November. However this system does not work well as we often receive many requests after the deadline, which doesn't work for our kitchen in making plans and ordering food.

Therefore, we will work on an assumption that numbers of children who usually have a roast lunch on a Wednesday are likely to have a Christmas lunch from the options advertised, and plan accordingly, unless you inform us otherwise. A special diet menu for milk, egg, gluten-free will be available closer to the time. If your child does not want to have Christmas lunch, then you may choose to provide them with a packed lunch.



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#### **Poppy Appeal**

We will continue to sell poppies at school up until Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November. All funds raised will go to the Royal British Legion Twickenham. Stick-on paper poppies with a minimum suggested donation of £1.00, and a limited number of keyring poppies with a minimum suggested donation of £2.00. Children are allowed to wear their poppies in school, but please no wristband, snapbands, etc. Thank you.

#### **Governor Maintenance Fund**

We are aware of an issue in relation to making Govenors' Maintenance Fund payments via Arbor. Until this is resolved we have taken down the request for payment in Arbor. In the interim, if you would like to make the contribution of £40 per child directly to the <a href="Govenors Maintenance Fund">Govenors Maintenance Fund</a> account, a reminder of the details are:

**Bishop Perrin Church of England School Govenors** 

A/c: 80166103 Sort code: 40-46-30 Bank: HSBC

If you have already made a payment via Arbor (or directly to the bank) please be reassured we are aware of your contribution. If you would prefer to make payment via Arbor, we shall let you know when the requests for payment have been reinstated. Thank you for your continued support of the school through these invaluable contributions.

#### Year 6 Bikeability 17th-21st November

Parents/carers of children in Year 6 will have received information about Bikeability which is running in school during the week of the 17th November. Please ensure that you have read the information regarding checking the safety of your child's bike/helmet and have completed the online permission form otherwise your child will not be able to participate. The link to give online permission is within the letter that was emailed to families. This should be completed by the 14th November. Children will need to wear PE kit for every day of this week in order to be comfortable while participating in the training. If you have any questions, please see Mrs Crinall.

#### **Prague Visitors- 21st of November**

Year 6 will be hosting a visit from a group of children from a school in Prague on Friday 21st November. They will spend time with them in class and have the opportunity to learn about each other's lives. This is after a successful visit from a different group of children from the same school in Prague last year. This link has been facilitated by the LDBS and is a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn about what life is like for children from a different country to themselves. We look forward to welcoming them to our school! If you have any questions, please see Mrs Crinall.

#### **Church Visits - Volunteers Needed**

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.

#### **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 School on the River

Year 6 will participate in the School on the River project on 13<sup>th</sup> 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. Packed lunch required, thank you to those who have pre-ordered a school provided lunch, this order has been processed.

Clothing update: Please wear PE kit and trainers. Please bear in mind that children will be outside for most of the day so should wear warm jogging bottoms/thick trousers, must have their jumper and will need a waterproof coat. Their trainers may get a bit muddy. If it is a cold day, they will also need their hat/scarf/gloves (usual school rules apply i.e. no football scarves).

#### Year 4 Into Film Festival – Wednesday 26th Nov

Year 4 will visit Hounslow Cineworld as part of the Into Film Festival. Please complete the mandatory sign up/permission for this trip within your child's ARBOR account by 20<sup>th</sup> November.

#### 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 <a href="here">here</a> 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 <a href="https://linear.com/here">here</a> 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.

#### 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.

#### 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 11<sup>th</sup> November Year 1
- Friday 14th November Reception Class



# Newsletter

Be respectful and honest

Be kind

Be safe

Be a role model

Be independent

#### **Celebrations and Achievements**

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

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CLASS	NAME		
Year R	Benjamin		
Year 1	Whole Class		
Year 2	Joshua		
Year 3	Alexandra		
Year 4	Thomas and Ellery		
Year 5	Kalden		
Year 6	Ollie, Amara & Zoe		

Infant class of the week: Year 1 Junior class of the week: Year 3 & 5

#### Safeguarding, Wellbeing and Inclusion

#### **Anti-Bullying Week**

Anti-Bullying Week (10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> November) is an opportunity to focus with children on key messages to support healthy relationships. The theme is 'Power for Good' to empower children to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.

Please watch this video for further information:



A poem to watch with your child:



#### **Acceptable Use Policies**

Please see the Online Safety page in the Keeping Safe section of the school website for the most recent Parent Acceptable Use Policy. This outlines expected behaviour when online, and/or using school networks, connections, internet connectivity and devices, cloud platforms and social media (both when on school site and outside of school). Children will also be revisiting the Child AUPs (EYFS and KS1, KS2 and SEND) during their Computing lessons as part of our ongoing commitment to support safe and positive interactions online.

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.

#### **Community News**

## Big sister programme- Sports initiative for girls aged 9-15

Places Leisure are running the <u>Big Sister Project</u> at Tolworth Recreation Centre and Malden Centre, an initiative designed to get more girls active and introduce (or reintroduce) them to sport.

The Big Sister programme helps girls aged 9- 15 in target areas, feel 'sport ready' by building a network of peer leaders ("Big Sisters") from sport, schools, and community organisations.

The Big Sisters act as role models, empowering and enabling girls to enjoy sport, exercise, and physical activity during puberty. Importantly, the project is shaped by girls, for girls, providing ambassadors who champion the benefits of sport and understand the challenges they face.

As part of the programme, girls can access the Big Sister Flexible Membership at £9 per month (50% off the standard Junior membership), which includes:

- Unlimited gym use during Junior Gym hours (with induction for 11–15 year olds)
- Unlimited swimming
- Age-appropriate group workout classes, including exclusive We Move sessions
- Free racket sports at off-peak times (Malden Centre only)
- Support from a friendly on-site team
- Free access to the Places Leisure App and Virtual Studio, including a dedicated Big Sister channel

Watch the Big Sister video here.
For more information and to sign up, visit the places leisure website.

## Experience the joy of Christmas together in Kingston

Kingston First, the town's Business Improvement District is proud to announce that from 13 November to 28 December 2025, Kingston will come together with joy, laughter, and community spirit, to celebrate the most magical time of the year.

New this year, families can experience the magic of reallife reindeer right in the heart of Kingston. The reindeer will take over the grounds of All Saints Church for two special days - Saturday 13 and Sunday 21 December, 11am–2pm - offering a free, walk-in experience surrounded by festive lights, a giant reindeer installation, and the new light-up Kingston sign, set to be one of the most charming festive photo spots of the season. Continue reading more about Christmas in Kingston.

#### And finally...

Year 6's class assembly will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 08:55 in the school hall. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Please refrain from bringing drinks and snacks into the school hall during the assembly – thank you.

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

**Key Dates** 

AUTUMN TERM 2025		
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> 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)	
Friday 21st November	Y2 Great Fire of London Workshop (in school)	
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Y6 to St Augustine's Church	
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 Into Film Festival - Cineworld	
Thursday 27th November	Year 6 class assembly	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET day – school closed to pupils	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Parent Forum, 8:45am	
Monday 15th December	Christmas Pantomime in school	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	YR Christmas Carols performance, 2:30pm	
Wednesday 17th December	Infant Nativity Performance (Y1 & 2), 9am	
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> 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 19th December	Last day of term, school closing early: Year R – 13:50 Year 1 – 6: 14:00	
5	SPRING TERM 2026	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	INSET Day – school Closed	
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School term starts for children	
Wednesday 14th January	YR & Y6 NCMP Checks – NHS School Nurse	
Thursday 29th January	Y4 Hampton Court	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Y1 Windsor Castle Trip	
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	February Half Term – school closed	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y4 Re-scheduled Roman Museum Trip All children to be in by 08:30am as early departure time.	

## **The Nurturing Programme**

# Talking Teens The Centre 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

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## 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 16<sup>th</sup> November 2025 Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025 Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026 Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Come and join us!



For more information contact: vicar@staugustinewhitton.com



## ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

## All Age Eucharist

Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> November 10 am Safeguarding Sunday

"I was a stranger and you invited me in..."

A service with focus on our responsibility to care for each other in a safe and loving community

Come and join us!



For more information contact: vicar@staugustinewhitton.com



## Missed your flu vaccine?

# Live or attend school in the borough of Richmond? Aged 4 - 16?

Come down to a flu catch-up clinic and protect yourself!

Saturday 29 November, 09:30 - 13:00 Southborough High School, KT6 5AS

Saturday 13 December, 09:30 - 13:30 Sheen Lane Community Centre, SW14 8LP

Tuesday 16 December, 15:30 - 17:30 Sunray Community Centre, KT5 9QP

Wednesday 17 December, 14:30 - 16:30 White House, Hampton, TW12 3RN

Call 020 3691 1019 or scan the QR code for more information or to book an appointment



October 2025