



Review of the Year 2025 – 26



Celebrating learning in faith, hope and love

We'd like to share with you some reflections on this school year and the developments we have made with the support of our parent community. Thank you to everyone who has contributed, whether that's through feedback in a survey, contributing to or attending the Parent Forum or in our conversations at the school gate and playground. Your opinions and ideas are important and we hope you will see from our actions that we have listened.

Bishop Perrin School 90th Anniversary

Bishop Perrin Primary School opened its doors on 3rd February 1936. Over the course of this year, we have learnt more about our school's history and celebrated its successes over the past 90 years. We celebrated with a wonderful Open School morning celebration and special commemorative assembly and a celebration cake. We are fortunate to have such a supportive community of pupils, staff, governors and parents, as our school continues to go from strength to strength. Here's to the next 90 years!

ACHIEVEMENTS

Attachment Aware Bronze Award

Rights Respecting School Bronze Award

YEAR 1 PHONICS CHECK: 90% (National 82%)

Y6 SATs 2025	Reading		Writing		GPS		Maths		Combined	
Standard	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS	EXS	GDS
School	83%	43%	80%	17%	90%	43%	93%	33%	73%	7%
National	75%	TBC	73%	13%	74%	TBC	75%	TBC	63%	8%

ATTENDANCE

We are delighted to have surpassed our attendance target for this year of 96.5% set by the Department for Education. Our overall attendance is 96.96%. This may seem like a small increase, but it represents 210 more days attendance than last year, over a whole school years' worth. Thank you for support in making sure your child is in school every day that they are well enough. However, we strive to do even better next year.

This year, 75 pupils were absent due to holidays during term time, which totals 209.5 days. Collectively, this equates to well over a whole year of school missed which has a significant impact on learning and the teacher's ability to support catch-up. An analysis of our attendance data shows that the last day of a half / full term, and the first day back after a break are significantly lower than on other days. In addition, holidays in the middle of term-time are hugely disruptive to the child and to the class teacher.

High levels of attendance are now high on the agenda for Ofsted inspections, so we welcome your support in helping us to maintain and improve on attendance rates by only keeping your child off school when they are not well enough to be in.

PARENT SURVEY

We were very pleased with the results of our parent survey in June, with 100% of those who responded telling us that their child was happy at Bishop Perrin School; that they felt their child was safe at Bishop Perrin School, that their child does well at Bishop Perrin School and that for those who need support for special educational needs, that the school provides it.

INTRODUCTION OF CHILDREN'S LEADERSHIP ROLES

This year, we introduced a wide range of children's leadership roles for Year 6 pupils. In their learning about careers, linked to preparation for the wider world, the roles were advertised as a job would be, and the children applied for their chosen roles through application form and interview. The roles have been a huge success with many of our Year 6 children benefitting from taking on extra responsibilities around school, proving themselves to be very responsible and reliable.

Our next cohort of leadership roles have just been successfully appointed, ready for a September start.

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ENHANCED SCHOOL PLAYTIME PROVISION

This year, Miss Sweeney has been working on a project that has seen a number of new interventions at lunchtime. These have included the introduction of a new creation station, and a soon to be established role play / theatre area. Also, following a kind and generous donation from Charles and Gill Perrin (Bishop Perrin's great-great-great nephew) we will have some brand-new signs for the playground for the autumn term, including new maps and a history timeline.

SPORTS

This year we have participated in:

- boys' and girls' borough football tournament;
- boys' and girls' borough netball tournament;
- girls' and boys' borough football league;
- girls' and boys' borough netball league;
- RISE Swimming Gala;
- Borough Swimming Gala;
- school swimming gala;
- school sports day

Sadly, Borough Sports was cancelled due to the weather this year.

This year, we were delighted to become a Parkrun Primary. Lots of you turned up our initial Parkrun back in the autumn term, and have continued to attend regularly. Parkrun will continue to operate over the summer, do go along if you get a chance.

As of September, Miss Gunter will be our new PE Leader in school. In the autumn term, Miss Gunter will be running a netball training club for any children who are interested in being considered for the school netball team who will play in the netball league and tournaments in the spring term.

SCHOOL SITE

The upkeep of the school site and building is overseen by the Diocese, and the school makes a contribution to the cost of this using money from the [Governor Maintenance Fund \(GMF\)](#), which is why parental contributions are so important. Last summer, significant work was done to replace some of the boilers and improve fire-proofing systems within the structure of the building.

Additional site improvements this year include:

- New boiler and water heater installed
- Windows in Year 4 – 6 replaced
- Over the summer, the roof of the Year 3 classroom is due to be replaced
- A new oven for the school catering kitchen was installed

CLUBS

We do our best to provide a wide variety of clubs, but are limited in the number of clubs we can offer due to space and availability of club providers. We know that clubs can be expensive but this is dictated by the club provider and we do our best to find providers that give value for money. We try to offer some cheaper clubs where we can, but these are reliant on school staff volunteering their time for free to provide a club, so we are limited on what we can offer in this respect. We continue to explore new options.

PARENT WISH LIST

Via the parent forum, you told us you liked the opportunity to contribute to the school in ways other than raising money, and a parent wish list was suggested. In response to this we:

- This year, in response to suggestions from the Parent Forum, we have set up an [online wish list](#) and we have received many generous donations of stationery which helped keep our supplies going until the end of term – thank you!
- If anyone wishes to donate items for the new school year, we are always grateful for: reams of white A4 copier paper; Pritt Sticks; whiteboard pens; coloured pencils; felt tips; boxes of tissues.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

It's been another successful year for the School Association, with plenty of fun events taking place and raising lots of money for the school. It was great to see the reinstatement of the school discos held at Christmas and in May. As we start a new academic year, maybe you will consider an active role in the School Association? The SA is a registered charity and the responsibilities of running a charity are multi-faceted. Not only does the charity need volunteers to help organise fund-raising events, it needs to be legally compliant in areas such as finance, safeguarding and administration. Perhaps this is an area you have skills or experience in and could offer support with? Maybe you will consider being a trustee or a committee member next year? If you would like to find out more, please speak to a member of the SA committee.

CHILDREN'S WIDER DEVELOPMENT

How does the school support your child's wider development? We do this in a variety of ways by:

- Offering a wide range of **extra-curricular clubs**
- Offering a comprehensive **educational visits** framework designed to enhance the curriculum and provide cultural experiences. Visits include off-site venues, workshops and visitors in school.
- **School journeys** in Year 5 and 6 promote independence and resilience when away from home, whilst providing a wealth of educational and adventurous experiences
- We have **specialist teachers** for music, Spanish and PE
- Participation in borough **sporting events** and **tournaments**
- Close links with **St. Augustine's Church** and **St. Philips and St. James' Church**
- **Class assemblies, Nativity performance, Christmas Carol Service and bi-annual Y5 & 6 end of year production** – providing opportunities for public speaking, performing and singing to an audience
- Supporting the work of **charities** – donating items, sponsored events and enterprise activities designed to raise money
- Various themed weeks / days, such as **Wellbeing Week, Earth Day and World Book Day**
- Provision of **lessons for musical instruments** (Richmond Music Trust) and clarinet lessons (Year 4)
- We use PSHE and daily collective worship to talk about issues affecting the children in their daily lives and the **supportive strategies** available to help them
- Supporting the local community e.g. carol singing at the local respite centre, participating at Whitton Lights Event, participating in Pupil Parliament
- In addition to the requirements of the national curriculum, we have a wider curriculum in which we teach about **first aid, careers, road / cycle / scooter safety education and financial literacy**
- We help children to look after their **physical, emotional and mental health** through strategies such as the Daily Mile, worry boxes in every class, wellbeing support, wellbeing week, anti-bullying ambassadors, wellbeing ambassadors, etc.
- Children have the opportunity to take on **responsibilities and leadership roles** such as being School Council reps, librarians, worship monitors, playground pals, lunchtime assistants, etc.

HOW CAN YOU HELP SUPPORT THE SCHOOL?

A positive relationship between home and school is vital for a successful experience at school. That is why we work so hard to make sure our lines of communication are multi-faceted and easily accessible. Ways in which you can help to support us in supporting your child:

- **Attendance** – ensuring your child is in school every day they are well enough and refraining from taking holidays and days-off during the term-time
- **Punctuality** - ensuring your child arrives in school on time in the morning, before the gate closes, to support a calm and smooth transition into the school day
- **School uniform** – making sure your child is adhering to the [school uniform policy](#) every day. Over the past few years we have made significant adjustments to our policy to make it easier for parents to adhere to the policy by making a wider choice of items acceptable.
- Reading the **school newsletter** each week to keep up-to-date with key information
- **Reading** to or with your child every day, no matter how old they are. Sharing stories and books develops imagination, communication, knowledge, vocabulary and understanding of the world.
- **Communication** – it is in everyone's best interests if you let us know sooner rather than later if you have a concern. We will always do our best to resolve any concerns. We ask that parents approach an issue from a perspective of curiosity rather than accusation. We will endeavour to work with you to investigate and resolve it as quickly as possible.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED IN SCHOOL LIFE NEXT YEAR?

Parent Forum

We have established a very productive Parent Forum. The forums have proved invaluable in providing a space for the parent body to ask questions and make suggestions, and for the school to respond, with minutes of the meeting shared on the website to keep everyone informed.

School Association

Have you considered being on the committee for the School Association? Would you like to be a trustee? All parents and carers are automatically members of the School Association. By becoming a trustee or being elected on to the committee you can have a role in the organisation of the association whether that's the events, finance, administration, etc. An annual general meeting is held every year, usually in October, when a new committee is elected for the coming year. We would love for you to get involved.

Volunteer in class

We welcome volunteers into class to help with reading, practising times tables, cooking, crafts, etc. If this is something you would like to do, please talk to your child's new class teacher at the start of the new term. You can also volunteer to come along on school trips or help with walking to and from the church, library, etc.

Instagram

Follow us on Instagram to keep up-to-date with the most recent activities and events in school: @bishopperrin

Newsletter

Read our newsletter every week to keep up-to-date with what's going on in school and visit our [website](#) for any queries you may have about the school in general.

A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF BISHOP PERRIN SCHOOL...

Collective Worship Harvest Festival **School Choir** Wellbeing Week Pantomime **maths lessons** football tournaments **RE lessons**
swimming **guided reading lessons** French lessons **Daily Mile** Playground Pals **church visits** **Swimming Gala** books rewards **non-uniform days**
The Poppy Appeal **Whitton Food Bank** Windsor Castle English lessons **Instagram** **Thames Boat Project**
Verulamium Roman Museum **London Sightseeing** **Twickenham Cemetery (war graves)** Emerald, Ruby and Sapphire House **new staff** Whitton library **Hampton Court** cooking **playtimes** friendship **pupils** library visits singing Whitton library **Turing House production of Shrek** reading **writing** times tables homework **music lessons** projects
Christmas Fayre presentations **assessments** PE lessons **reports** parent consultations **meet the teacher** Open School
Parent Forum School Association **Football Club** Sports Day **Nativity** **class assemblies** INSET days **drama workshops** photographs
staff meetings **World Book Day** Great Fire of London: Kew Archives **Autumn Walk learning** spellings **BPSA School Fete**
Reception **SIAMS** story time **safeguarding** Richmond Museum **lunch** snacks **Leavers' Service** Toy workshop
Lego club British Museum **Isle of Wight** **Orange Tree Theatre – Comedy of Errors** school staff Christmas Carols Respite Centre **LDBS** **Police visits** **Wellbeing Ambassadors** **Earth Day** **Safer Walking Training** Shakespeare Workshop
geography lessons SATs **phonics** Bockett's Farm **Easter Service** history lessons piano lessons **French Club**
Design and Technology lessons **governors** Twickenham Stadium **Richmond Hill** **Barnes Children's Literature Festival** Beanstalk readers **Netball League** **CWP** MHST coffee morning **Junior Citizen** scooter training **Bikeability** Family Discos **Christmas cards** guitar lessons **Eco-Ambassadors** new playground equipment **second-hand uniform sale** chess club
lost property fire drill **book club** **tennis club** multi-sports club **Koosa Kids** summer sports **parent volunteers**
coding club **Dance Club** Bowles **Safer Walking Training** ELSA School Council **Year 6 Leavers' Celebration**
Safer Internet Day **anti-bullying ambassadors** **Whitton Library** Creative Craft Club **stay inside drill** recorder lessons
clarinet lessons drama club **colouring club** **Prague School Links** Art lessons Roald Dahl Museum **film club** **RISE**
Swimming Gala **Netball tournament** **90th Birthday Celebrations**

And much more...!

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