

Bishop Perrin C.E Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 14th July 2023

Dear Parents,

School Life

As we enter the last week of term next week, it has been lovely to have been able to visit all the classrooms this week and see how engaged the children are with their learning and their enthusiasm for what they are doing in class. We are very proud of all the children who have been swimming this week; children from Years 2-6. They have enjoyed the opportunity to go swimming for five consecutive days, which in itself has enabled them to make really good progress over the course of the week. Many of the children I have spoken to today told me how much more confident they felt and how proud they are of the distances they have been able to swim, and for some children, that has meant swimming either their first width or first length.

Thank you to all the staff who have been involved in the organisation of the swimming lessons this week, especially Miss Holloway and the office staff. I am also incredibly grateful to Mrs Lywood, one of our parents, who has been of great help and support, not least by teaching the children swimming this week. It has been great having Mrs Keightley back to help too and I know she has loved seeing the children again! I would also like to acknowledge the generosity of Lady Eleanor Holles School who have kindly allowed us to use their swimming pool facilities for no charge.

Thank you to all the new Reception parents who were able to attend the Stay and Play session this week. We look forward to welcoming the children to the school formally in September.

Next week is a busy week, starting on Monday with our Year 6 Leavers' Event in the evening. Thank you to all the Year 6 parents who have helped plan and organise the event for the children. I know all the children are looking forward to the Sports Morning on Tuesday. The forecast is looking good, so we should all be set for some great races and competition! Please make sure you have read the email from Miss Holloway that was sent out yesterday with all the details. We are very grateful to Turing House School for allowing us to use their sports field. We are of course under their direction with regards access to their site and the timing of the Junior event, but as an alternative to having to walk all the children to St Edmund's School, as we have done historically, it will make a huge difference in taking the children over to Turing House.

I hope that you have been able to share your child's end-of-year report with them this week and help them recognise all their successes over the school year. Please complete the Google Form with your thoughts and comments about how your child has got on this year, which will be shared with your child's class teacher.

The Leavers' Service-Friday 21st July

Our final event of the year is our Leavers' Service at 10.30am at St Augustine's Church next Friday. All parents are welcome to join us of for the service, and if you are able to help walk down and back with your child's class, please let the office know. The children will be leaving Bishop Perrin around between 09:45 and 10:00am, so if you can help out, please wait in the forecourt from 9.45am onwards. Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat if the forecast is for rain. The service will last around an hour. The children will walk back to school in time for lunch, but Year 6 parents are welcome to stay behind in the church for any photos with the children and the class.

We will reserve seats for Year 6 parents. There will be seating available for all other parents and family members at either side of the altar. Parents are welcome to take photos and videos during the service, but please be aware of those behind you so you do not block their view. Please do not share any videos or photos on social media, including closed class Whatsapp groups. Out thanks to Father John for hosting us for the service at St Augustine's.

Breakfast Club at Bishop Perrin School

In consultation with the school Governors, we have had to make the difficult decision to pause the running of the Bishop Perrin Breakfast Club, as of September 2023.

We have come to this decision for two reasons; despite our best efforts at advertising for a new Breakfast Club Manager, we have not been able to recruit anyone in time to be able to start the role in September.

In addition to not being able to recruit anyone, over the past few years, the number of children attending Breakfast Club has dropped drastically and has not returned to our pre-Covid numbers. Despite having increased the cost to parents on more than one occasion to try cover the costs of staffing and food provision, the numbers are so low that we are struggling just to break-even. Unfortunately Breakfast Club does not receive any external funding and we are not in a position whereby we can subsidise the running of Breakfast Club from the school budget.

We wanted to give you as much notice as possible so you can make alternative arrangements from September, but our intention is to get Breakfast Club up and running as soon as we can in the new school year. We will update you via the newsletter as and when we are able to do this. I would like to thank Mrs Jasper for all her dedication and commitment to being our Breakfast Club Manager over the past two years.

Staffing News

We will be saying "Goodbye" next week to the following staff; Mr Brown, Mrs Horton and Mr Ellam-Bell. I would like to thank all three of them for their time, dedication and support the school during their time with us.

School Association

You might have noticed the new sign on our fencing at the front of the school. This is a summer sponsorship scheme which the School Association have secured through Plus Rooms, who are kindly donating a significant sum of money to the school for having the sign up on the fence. Plus Rooms are a family run business who specialise in improving and enlarging residential properties and we are very grateful for their support for the school.

Have a restful weekend, if somewhat damp and windy, and I look forward to seeing many of you no doubt next week at the various events.

Best wishes,

Mr Corke



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Attendance

The previous week's attendance;

%
93.33
94.40
98.89
94.44
97.92
92.86
95.67

Celebration Worship

For hard work, great improvement or good behaviour

CLASS	
Friendship	Harry
Endurance	Whole Class
Peace	Aliza
Forgiveness	Ollie
Reverence	Sophie
	Siya and
Service	William
	Tarwin, Jude
Justice	and Koko

School Trips Payments/Permissions



2023/24 (Next Academic Year) Year 6

18th September, Junior Citizen, please complete the permission slip ASAP. Packed lunch required, children to wear PE Kit.

12th October, School on the River, please complete the payment and permission by 8th September. Packed lunch required, children to wear PE Kit.

16th October Canoeing and Kayaking at the Lensbury, more details to follow.

Year 4

Roman Museum on Friday 20th October, please complete the permission and payment within your child's SCOPAY account by 1st October. Your child will need a packed lunch for this trip.

Year 3

14th November – Stonehenge, more details to follow.

Join us on Instagram

Celebrating
learning together
in faith, hope and
love



Following parent/carer feedback we have made the move to Instagram. We aim to use this platform as a quick snapshot into school life, sharing trip and event photos, news and other school information. Feel free to follow us @BishopPerrinSchool

We will be issuing new permission letters to all parents and carers soon, where you will be able to indicate your photo permission preference.

Full Governing Board Meeting Update

The FGB took place on Wed 5th July where they discussed the following;

- Success of the Summer Fete, thanking all involved for organising and for a wonderful school community attendance.
- Glad to hear that Y6 enjoyed their week away at Bowles Rocks Activity Centre.
- Praised the talent of the Bishop Perrin School choir at recent events.
- Thanked all on the support of Mr Corke's secondment and subsequent impact and change of roles at Bishop Perrin School.
- Welcome new staff Derri Murray and David Towns.
- Thanked staff, students and parents for another good year at BP.

School Calendar



The School Calendar can be found permanently on our <u>website</u>. All important dates and events such as clubs, class assemblies, trips etc are here for your information.



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Learn to Swim this Summer

Children can learn to swim this summer with our wide range of crash courses and workshops available at Teddington Pools & Fitness Centre and Pools on the Park.

Bookings can be made by calling us on 020 37722999 or at the in person at the centre reception.

Please see our website for more

information: <u>https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/sports/f</u> eel_good_swim_school#Half_term_and_holiday_activities

Returning School Library Books

To help us with preparing for the new school year, please could all school library books be returned to school next week by Monday 17th July. If you think you may have some long overdue books at home, this is not a problem, please just send them back to school. Thank you.

Homelink Job Advert

Care and Support Worker - Twickenham - Indeed.com It is for a part time role between 6-25 hours per week £11.95 per hour09:15- 15:15

ADHD Embrace Parenting Course opportunity – free to participate

If your child had ADHD or another related neurodevelopmental issue, this course which is subsidised for Richmond Borough parents by Richmond Voluntary Fund, may be something you are interested in. Please contact Miss McAvoy for further information and if you are interested in registering.

Behaviour Management Course for Primary School Children

Register Now

Ice Lollies – Thank You from the SA



The School Association have kindly donated ice lollies to all children. These will be available at the end of the school day on Tuesday 18th July from the main playground.





If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding of children who attend Bishop Perrin CE Primary School, these should be reported to the Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Mr Corke. In his absence, concerns should be reported to the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead who is Miss Macklearn. The School's Safeguarding Governor is Lucy James