



The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Welcome to the Summer Term! Hopefully it will come to feel like summer soon! We have much to look forward to – please check our key dates , on the next page, for your diaries.

Please forgive me for these reminders which help the school to run smoothly and efficiently. Thank you!

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Lost Property

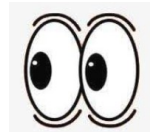
This was sorted through over the Easter break. Any named items were returned to class. However, we found a vast majority of items were unnamed. All of these bottles (pictured) have been put back in the box outside the front of school. PLEASE label your child's property. It makes a big difference.



**Live Fully, Laugh Often, Learn Deeply,
Love as God Loves You and Let Your Light Shine**



Dates for your diaries



PTFA Spring Fayre: next Friday after school

(no Gymnastics or Little Fingers After School Club on this day)

Celebration Eucharist and Picnic: 11am Friday 24th May (All welcome!)

Sports Day: Friday 14th June (KS2 in the morning, KS1 in the afternoon)

This term , we are also having two special themed weeks:

Kindness Week from 29th April, and an **Art and DT** week from 24th June.

We are getting excited about a **Bishops' School Concert** on Saturday 18th May – details will be sent out soon and tickets made available. This is taking place in the wonderful Christ Church, New London Road. There will be a Year 2 Choir, the KS2 Choir, strings and band – and a special visiting Jazz Choir from London will be helping to make it an evening to remember. It's in aid of the brilliant BCCS (Brentwood Catholic Children's Society) who provide such essential mental health support across Essex and especially for young people.

Beat the Street: The Results!

Well done to everyone who took part in Beat the Street!

The Bishops' School came a fantastic **3rd place!!** We have been contacted by one of the organisers to inform us that we have won a trophy, a certificate, AND a £75 digital voucher to spend, which is great news!

We hope that you enjoyed all the fresh air and exercise involved and we thank you for representing the school to help us raise funds.



Chelmsford Schools - Average Points

1st - Beehive Lane Community Primary School

2nd - Heathcote School

3rd - The Bishops' Church of England and Roman Catholic Primary School

'Evil Pea' is not as alarming as it sounds - and briefly took over the school on Wednesday until children in FS found it and made sure it wasn't! Here are some brave children making their super-power capes and searching for Evil Pea around the school:



E2V VISIT

On Wednesday, a small group of children visited Teledyne E2V. During their stay, they were tasked to complete five challenges:

1. Programme a Beebot to move around a grid without falling into any traps.
2. Make a boat to move down the rapids, fastest boat wins.
3. Make a parachute and basket to carry a piece of equipment.
4. Gutterball - moving a ball from one end to another, controlling the gutter with ropes.
5. Finally a tour of the site and a quiz about what they saw.

We came **third** out of four schools, completing five challenges for the children, and one teachers' challenge. Mrs Pugh said that the children's behaviour was excellent, and they made her very proud. Photos are on the following page!...



Food Forest Update!



Spring has definitely arrived in the Food Forest – there is blossom on the apple trees; the raspberry canes are doing well and the wild garlic is flowering.

Next week, gardening club begins! There are still a few places left so do sign your kids up if they'd like to come along (please note, this is a KS2 club). In our first few sessions we will be planting up our 'Herb Hopscotch'; planting and learning about edible flowers and discussing ideas to make our garden wildlife and pollinator friendly.



We are taking part in the 'Bee Good Plot Competition' and will be turning a section of the Food Forest into a dedicated bee-friendly haven. Learn more: <https://www.essexrcc.org.uk/our-work/growing-communities>

A big thank you to Suttons and Longacre Garden Centre for a recent donation of seeds and garden tools.



Boys' Footy Result!



The football fixtures come thick and fast this half-term and the Yrs 5 & 6 Boys' footy team continued their good form from before Christmas by beating Perryfields **4 v 1** on Monday. Luca used the wind to his advantage to score direct from a corner and Jake soon made it 2-0 before half-time.

After Perryfields pulled one back, against the run of play, the boys quickly rallied to make it 3-1 from an Oscar strike. Tyler wrapped up the points just before the final whistle!



Netball Finalists!



On Tuesday, our netball team competed against 15 other schools in the first round of the netball tournament at Great Baddow High school.

They won 3 matches against St Peters, Mildmay and New Hall, only losing one match against Cathedral. They have now progressed through to the finals which will be held in May!

A huge well done to you all!

Congratulations to...

Florence took her ballet exam last term and passed with Merit! Both her and her parents were

overjoyed!

Here is a photo of Florence from the day of her exam.

Well done!



Lexi achieved her level 2 Learn to Swim badge over the Easter holidays after some awesome backstroke.

She is now onto yellow hat (level 3).



Fantastic news!



We would also like to say a huge congratulations to Mrs Taiyeb for completing the London Landmarks Half-Marathon on Sunday 7th April.

She did a fantastic job in raising over £1000 for the charity 'Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis' and says it was a brilliant experience.



We are very proud of you Mrs Taiyeb.



The Bishops' PTFA

We are looking forward to our Spring Fayre next Friday. It will be from **3.30-5.30pm**, and we are very hopeful the weather will be on our side so that we can be outside! Entry is £2 per child and £1 per adult. More details will be sent out next week via email.



Coming up this term we also have **Inflatables Day on Monday 8th July**. This is a whole day event for every child in the school. We need volunteers for this to run, this doesn't just have to be parents/carers, it could also be grandparents. Without enough volunteers, we will not be able to safely operate the event.

We will also be supporting the school with sports day and hopefully, volunteer numbers dependent, be selling refreshments.

If you would like to find out more about volunteering please email thebishopspta@gmail.com

Don't forget we are a registered charity so your employer may let you have a charity volunteering day when working with us. We have lots of fun whilst raising funds for our school.

Many thanks, Becci and the PTFA team

Email: thebishopspta@gmail.com

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Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 22nd April

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<u>Meat Free Monday</u>	Sausage & Tomato Pasta	Roast Gammon & Yorkshire Pudding	Jacket Potato With Cheese, Tuna, Beans	Breaded Cod Fish Fingers Served with Chunky Chips & Peas
	Freshly made Pizza with a variety of Toppings	<u>OR</u> Veggie Sausage & Tomato Pasta	<u>OR</u> Roasted Quorn Yorkshire pudding	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	<u>OR</u> Curried Vegetable Samosa with Mango Chutney Served with Rice & Peas
	Served with Mixed Salad	Served with Sweetcorn	Served with Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower & Broccoli		Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt
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Upcoming Road Closure

Please be aware that we have noticed there is a road closure sign on Pump Lane showing affect between 29th April to 31st May. Please consider this when planning your journeys to school.

Community News

The Community News section of our school website has lots of information about activities and events that are happening locally. These include:

- * Support information for parents/carers
- * Pop-Up Store for Affordable Groceries
 - * Holiday camps/activities
 - * Local shows
 - * Health & fitness
 - * Music Workshops
- * Sports/performing arts opportunities
 - * Social evenings



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Looking Ahead

Monday 22nd April—Girls' Football Match v Tyrrells (sel chn), Parish Field, 3.30 to 4.45pm

Tuesday 23rd April – Year 1 trip to Thorndon Country Park, 9.15am to 3pm:

Service in School for Grp1 led by 2R, 9.10am;

Church car park is not available in the afternoon today

Thursday 25th April—Netball Match (sel chn) v The Tyrrells School, 3.45 to 4.15pm

Friday 26th April—PTFA Spring Fayre in the Hall, 3.30-5.30pm

(No Little Fingers after school today)

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Monday 29th April—3 Tees Cricket (sel KS1 chn) at New Hall School, 1 to 2.45pm;

Boys' Football Match (sel chn) v Tyrrells, Parish Field, 3.45 to 4.45pm

Tuesday 30th April—Church Service for Grp2 led by Badgers, 9.10am

Wednesday 1st May—Yr2 Bedtime Stories

Friday 3rd May—1YC's Class Assembly in the Hall, 9.10am (doors close 9am);

6FT Cake Sale in aid of Little Edi Foundation in school at breaktime;

Community Choir in the Year 6 Block at 3.20pm



Monday 6th May—Non-pupil day



Email: admin@bishops.essex.sch.uk / Tel: 01245 460107

Please state your child's class in any communications with us, thank you.

