

The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Autumn Half-Term



This stunning picture, framing the school in the beauty of Autumn, was taken by Ms Wilson on the way back from church on Tuesday morning.

It has been a great pleasure to return to Bishops' after my enforced medical absence. You and your children have been great welcomers – thank you.

We wish you all a great half term – it's been a long half term for everyone and we look forward to returning in a week recharged and ready to go again.

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

Yr 1 Geography Walk

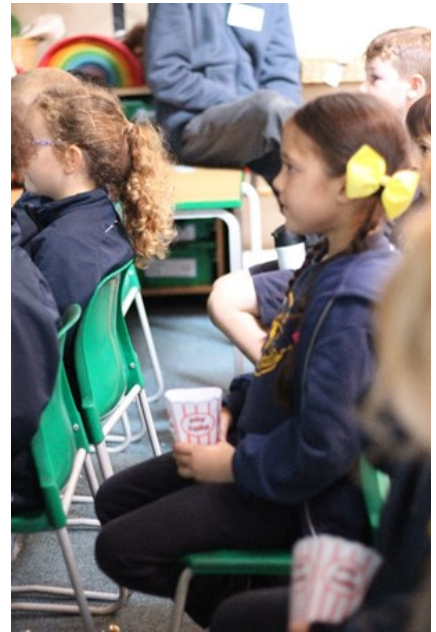


During the last half term, the Year 1 children have enjoyed learning about the geography of where we live. On Wednesday, we celebrated this learning with a walk in our local area. We explored the features of physical and human geography.

We finished our walk with a trip to the park as a reward for the children's brilliant behaviour!



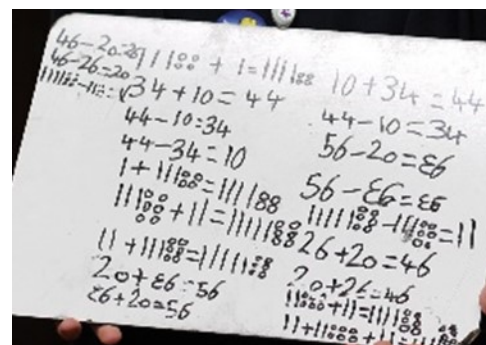
Also this week.....Robin Class have been treated to a proper, ticketed and popcorned cinema experience...



Year 5s have been honing their basketball skills with our specialist provision...



...and we have some wonderful mathematicians in Year 2.



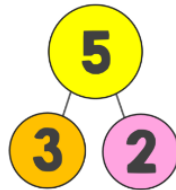
Badgers and Hedgehogs are always incredibly busy, here are some happy photos of them enjoying work and play.



The Year 3 ukuleles are proving a big hit with the children!



Year 1 Robins are working on number bonds within 10 using chalk in the playground.



It was very exciting to see the RockSteady groups for the first time and to meet Kirsty the Band Leader. She said the number of applications for places was incredible – over 80! – and the organisation are looking to see if they can increase their provision for us.



SOME NEWS ABOUT THE NEW SCHOOL HALL

Many of you will know that a number of years ago we did some amazing fund-raising activities and raised substantial funds for a new hall. We did sponsored walks, concerts and crazy runs/ cycles/ walks to far off places like Canterbury Cathedral and The British Library. We hoped that the dioceses of Chelmsford and Brentwood would support our obvious need for a properly sized hall and help to fund what would be a project costing well over £500,000 and likely more in the region of £1m.

After three years of unsuccessful bids, and understanding the pressures on building funds which the dioceses are under, we are scaling down our plans and instead planning to build a performing arts base complete with a dance studio and extra rooms for either instrumental tuition or group work. We are hopeful that we have most of the funds already to support this and are shortly choosing a consultant to lead us through the process. All the monies previously raised have been reserved for this project and are waiting to be spent! We might need a little more and so there may be yet another sponsored event coming up!



Forgotten Property



All of these jumpers and cardigans were left outside year 6 last Friday over the weekend.
When there is bad weather, property like this is likely to get damaged.

PLEASE remind your children to collect **all** of their belongings before they go home and always make sure that it is named.

Thank you.



FILM FRIDAY

FOUNDATION AND KEY STAGE 1

'Lost and Found'

Friday 8th November

3:15pm to 4:15pm

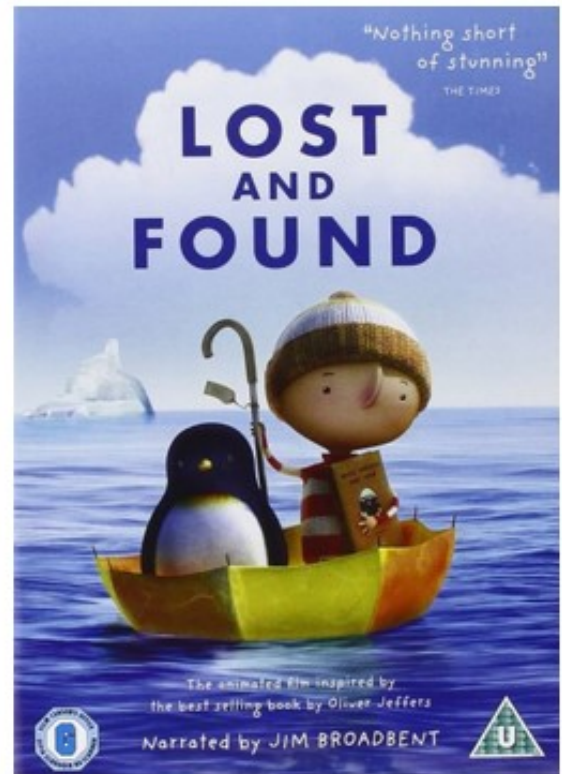
Suggested Donation on Scopay: £3

Drink and popcorn provided

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FILM FRIDAY

KEY STAGE 2

'Trolls World Tour'

Friday 22nd November

3:15pm to 5pm

Suggested Donation on Scopay: £3

Drink and popcorn provided

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St Augustine of Canterbury
North Springfield
St Augustine's Way CM1 6GX

Come Fishing



Jesus says, "Follow me!"

Wednesday 30th October
2pm to 4pm

Fun, play, worship and refreshments

Children MUST be accompanied by an adult

Register at infostaugustines@gmail.com

Or Church Mobile on 07935557668

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Tuesday 12th

November is Odd

Socks Day!

This is an international celebration (which started in the UK) of difference and how we need to embrace the differences and diversity we find in all those around us. It takes place near the start of Anti-Bullying Week when we will be celebrating the qualities of friendship and kindness that we promote at The Bishops'.

A VERY WELL DONE TO...








Luke for growing all of these wonderful allotment vegetables!

Look at those pumpkins!

Keep up the fantastic work Luke.



PTFA NEWSLETTER UPDATE

JUST TO SAY :	EVENTS TO COME	FINANCE UPDATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PTFA Calendar purchase link has now been extended to the 29th of Oct and the 2 for £10 calendar deal will end on this date. There will be a limited number of extra calendars printed which can be viewed at the end of November and will be sold for £8.• My Child's Art worksheet masterpieces are to be handed back in on the Monday, 4th of Nov.• Thank you to the generous 24 individuals who came together and raised £670 for the Christmas Books Fund. For those of you who have given us permission a humongous thank you goes out to: ♥ Daisy Harvey; Eleanore Meshe; Lindsay Mosuro; Laura McLuckie Anastasia Fotopoulou; Aleksandra Jozwik; Rachel Stilwell-Stage; Ellen Ward and our biggest contributor Archie's Forge. ♥ <p>Hope you have a fantastic half term!</p>	<p> 4th Nov PTFA zoom meeting</p> <p> 29th Nov Christmas Fayre</p>	<p> Asda Cashpot  £155  Ends: 30th of Nov</p> <hr/> <p>FUNDRAISING TARGET FOR 2024/2025: £670 OUT OF £10 000</p> <p>WHERE IS ALL THIS MONEY GOING?</p> <p>CHECK OUT THE PTFA NOTICEBOARD AND SEE HOW MUCH CHANGE YOU HAVE CREATED FOR THE SCHOOL</p>

MEET THE PTFA- A LITTLE MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER AND VICE TREASURER

Clare Derry:

Hello, I'm Clare and I have one daughter at Bishops, Evie in Year 2. I also have Izzie who is two and very much looking forward to joining her big sister in a couple of years...mainly so she can play in the adventure playground!

I took on the Treasurer role around this time last year. I didn't plan to join the PTFA when Evie started at the school but after seeing how much she benefitted from all the PTFA projects and events, I knew I wanted to give back and help where I could. It's been a fun year and I've met so many people and made some great friends.

Rebecca Puvanendren:


I'm Bex (vice-treasurer) and mum of Alice in year 6 (my last child left at the Bishops 😊!).

I have been an active member of the Bishops PTFA since relocating to Chelmsford in 2017 and in my current role as vice-treasurer I manage our school lottery licensing and our annual charity commission paperwork. I also get to do lots of fun things like dressing up as an elf at the Christmas fair, cracking out my dance moves at school discos and just generally embarrassing my children at school events!!!

Looking forward to another great year of putting the 'fun' into 'fundraising' for our children and wider community xxx

"ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH"
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

♥ THE PTFA ♥

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CHARITY NUMBER: 1017473



Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 4th November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i><u>Meat Free Monday</u></i>	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
Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Frozen Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt		

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Community News

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

These include:

- * **Secondary School Open Days/Evenings**
- * **Support information for parents/carers**
- * **Pop-Up Food Store for affordable groceries**
 - * **Holiday camps/activities**
 - * **Local shows**
 - * **Music workshops**
 - * **Sports clubs and activities**
 - * **Performing arts opportunities**





Looking Ahead



Monday 28th October to Friday 31st October 2024—Half Term Break

Monday 4th November 2024—Back to school; PTFA Meeting by Zoom

Tuesday 5th November—Church Service for Grp1 led by Aspen, 9.10am

Wednesday 6th November—Badminton Tournament (selected chn) at CSAC, 1.15 to 2.45pm

Thursday 7th November—Netball Match v Holmwood School at home, 3.30 to 4.15pm

Friday 8th November 2024—Year 3 trip to Celtic Harmony Camp, 8.30am to 3.30pm;
Film Friday for FS & KS1 for £3 on Scopay for Barnardo's, 3.15 to 4.30pm

Monday 11th November—Remembrance Service on the playground, 10.45am

Tuesday 12th November— 'Odd Socks Day'

Church Service for Grp2 led by Alder Class, 9.10am;

Cross Country (Yr2,3,4 running club chn) at CSAC, 1.45 to 3pm

Thursday 14th November—Year 6 Egyptian Day in school

Friday 15th November—Individual and sibling photographs;
Choir (selected chn) to Broomfield Hosp, 1.25 to 3pm



Please advise the office..

Absences/Lates ...

Illness: advise by [email by 9am](#)

Medical appointments: provide a copy of the appointment notification at least a week [in advance](#)

All other absences: complete a leave of absence form at least 2 weeks [in advance](#)

All lates: advise lunch choice [by 9am](#)

Thank you.



Changes to Collection

Arrangements ...

Advise [by email by midday](#)

After this, **urgent messages only, by phone by 2.30pm**



Thank you.



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

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

