

The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Year 3 Celtic Harmony

Earlier this half term, Year 3 travelled back in time to enjoy a prehistoric day at Celtic Harmony Camp. They made Stone Age bread, pressure knapped soap to make an arrow head and made a clay pot like those used in the Bronze Age.

It was a great day and the children enjoyed bringing their history learning to life.



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



Year 5 Duxford and Cinema

Year 5 had a brilliant day at Duxford on Monday. They enjoyed finding out more about our World War 2 Topic and were able to see how the people at Duxford contributed to defending England during in the Blitz. They also had the opportunity to see inside aircraft such as Concorde and the Comet. The children were very interested in all they saw and enjoyed asking questions of the brilliant guides.



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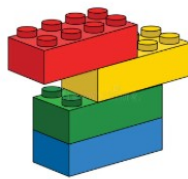


On Tuesday Morning Year 5 went to a screening of Despicable Me 4 as part of the IntoFilm Film Festival. They had a great time and really enjoyed the movie and the short film created by young people about respect, called Dinosaur.




Year 4 Lego Days

To support our work on Sustainability in Year 4, we welcomed The Lego Man to guide us through building a town from plans. In the afternoon, we improved the town by adding greenery and things to enhance the town's sustainability like wind turbines and solar panels. We all had a great day!

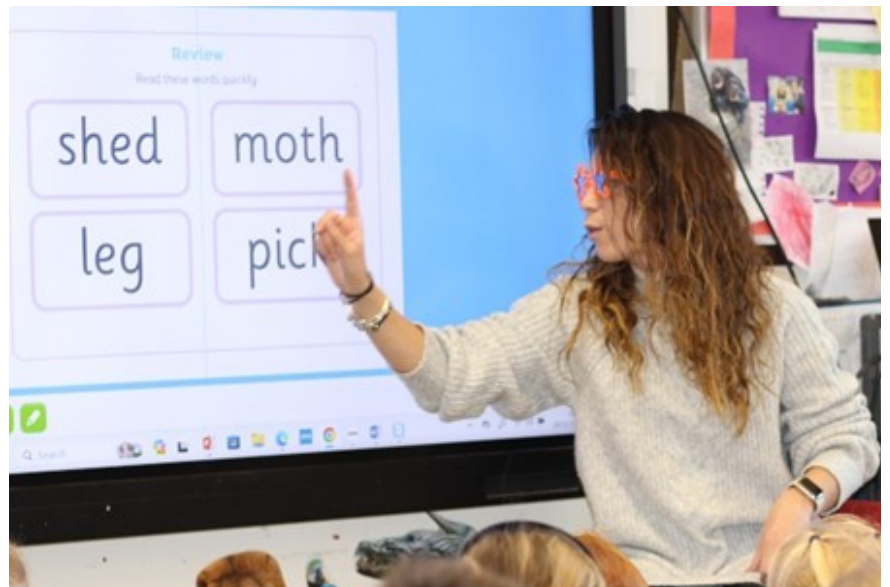


The finished piece!





We are delighted to be supporting Anglia Ruskin University in their new teacher training programme, and this is Mrs Lee doing a demonstration phonics session for a group of students. We were very proud of the Hedgehog children who were not phased by so many visitors watching them.



RockSteady Performance

Our RockSteady Bands are putting on a performance on **Wednesday 11th December at 10am** to showcase their new skills!

This will take place in the school hall and is expected to last approximately 40 minutes.

Parents/carers are invited to watch, but we ask that guests are limited to 2 adults per child please.





TEDDYLYMPICS

On Wednesday morning, a group of our Year 1 children went to the Teddylympics competition at CSAC. They took part in a variety of sporting activities and had fun decorating a teddy flag! Theresa proudly came home with a Super Ted award and we finished in 13th and 14th place on the day. Everyone had a great time and tried their hardest. Mrs Cooke and Mrs Yip were very proud of the children's behaviour and how well they represented our school!

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It was also lovely to see some ex-Bishops' pupils who were leading the activities with The Boswells team!



CROSS COUNTRY

This week saw the turn of the Yr 5 & 6 Cross Country teams travel to Chelmsford Sports and Athletics Centre for a 1300m race.

More than twenty pupils competed improving on their previous race positions on a cold, but sunny afternoon.



Well done!

Freya, in year 6, trains at the Royal Ballet School in Covent Garden and has been selected to perform in the production of The Nutcracker with the Birmingham Royal Ballet at The Royal Albert Hall this Christmas.

A wonderful achievement
Freya and we wish you the
best of luck!



Christmas Productions



You will all (FS already have) be receiving information about your children's Christmas productions, and the school is just beginning to echo with the sounds of their rehearsals, especially for the youngest children.

It's a really joyful time of year and we hope you will understand that every performance has its costs – performing arts licenses and props being the main ones. If you are unable to make a contribution, please don't worry – there are two seats for every family whatever! Please remember that the shows are not for pre-school children to attend, as they can end up spoiling a performance. Thank you.

Assessment Week

Each term we assess your children so we have a good idea of how they are learning, and this week has been an Assessment Week.

Here's Owl Class looking very focused!



A polite reminder

Please do not misuse the disabled parking bays in the church car park.
These spaces are strictly for badge users only.

Now that the mornings and afternoons are increasingly darker, please be mindful of children (and adults) crossing the roads to get to before school clubs and leaving at the end of the day. As always, please do not use the staff car park entrance for parking or turning around! This is dangerous.

PTFA NEWSLETTER UPDATE

JUST TO SAY :	EVENTS TO COME	FINANCE UPDATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you participated in My Child's Art you are now able to view your artworks online https://mychildsart.co.uk/find-artwork <p>Username: TheBishops Access code: q33prk22</p> <p>The 10% Early Bird Discount code: TheBishopsX24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The calendars will be delivered to the classes next week. Thank you for all your contributions to the Christmas Fair 😊 The chicken gate entrance will not be open for pick up on Friday, 29th of Nov as there will be an inflatable sleigh set up. 	<p>📅 Wed 18th</p> <p>Dec Sparkly Non-uniform Day</p>	<p>🏪 Asda Cashpot 📈 £204.46 📈 Ends: 30th of Nov</p> <hr/> <p>FUNDRAISING TARGET FOR 2024/2025: £2353.50 OUT OF £10 000</p>

The Christmas Fair is next week!

Entry: Adults £1 Children £2 (under 2's free)



There will be QR coded tickets that you can get in advance on the day. Please have your receipt displayed on your phone for fast entry. You can also purchase tickets by cash or card.

All activities on the stamper card are included in the entry price.

There will be a few pay-to-play games to choose from:

- ★ Tombola
- ★ Raffle tickets
- ★ Spin the Wheel
- ★ 100 Squares Prize Draw

There will be 4 external stalls :

- ★ 3D Print Gal
- ★ Passions at The Bury
- ★ Scentsy
- ★ Usbourne Books

Please note that this is an unsupervised event. All children must be supervised by their adult.

Those purchasing food will be responsible for being aware of their allergies.

We look forward to seeing you there!

"ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH"

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!



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Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 25th November

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
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, events and opportunities available locally.

These include:

- * **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**

Check it out!



Support us at
Stewardship

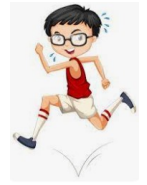
With your support, we can enhance the physical environment in which your children learn.

Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

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www.stewardship.org.uk/
partners/20461994](https://www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/20461994)



Looking Ahead



Monday 25th November—

Choir to Barnardo's Concert at the Royal Albert Hall, 8am to 11pm

Tuesday 26th November—Church Service for Grp2 led by Kestrel Class, 9.10am

Thursday 28th November—

Cross Country Event (running club chn) at Hylands Park, 11.30am to 2pm (transport provided)

Friday 29th November— Yr5 Road Safety session for children only in school, am;

FS Road Safety session for Badger Class, Parents invited into school, 2.15pm;

PTFA Christmas Fayre in the Hall, 3.30 to 5.30pm

(No Little Fingers session after school today)



Tuesday 3rd December—Church Service for Grp1 led by Beech Class, 9.10am

Thursday 5th December—FS Performance to parents of 'The Nativity' in the Hall, 1.45pm

Friday 6th December— FS Performance to parents of 'The Nativity' in the Hall, 9.20am;

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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.

