

The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Our Warmest Wishes...

Last week we said a sad goodbye to Mrs Bholan. She has been a wonderful support for our pupils and we will miss her. Mrs Bholan is heading to train as a social worker, and we wish her all the very best for this new adventure.



Next week we will also say goodbye to Miss Robb who has been with us in Year 6 and also at lunchtimes. She has been another wonderful support and we wish her well as she heads off to be an Equestrian Lecturer in Sussex!

I am also sad to let you know that Mr Barlow will be leaving us – but not until the end of next term! I am sure there will be much more to say nearer the time, but for now it seems a good time to say this will of course prompt another musical extravaganza at Christ Church, Chelmsford, and we are



planning for Saturday June 28th or start. Mrs Child will be preparing a Year 2 choir and of course the KS2 choir will be featuring – as will ukuleles from Year 3 I hope and other instrumentalists and dancers. AND Neneth Lyons of Britain's Got Talent fame along with her daughter and ex-Bishops' pupil Elizabeth who recently got four yesses from the BGT team!

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

It is also good to have new staff joining us, and it has been lovely to welcome Miss Saba to our lunchtime team.



Parent/Teacher Consultations

Parents' meeting slots will go live on Scopay on Tuesday 18th March at 6pm.



Bookings will close at 12pm the day before the meeting date.



Still Life at Art Club

The Art Club has been doing some Still Life drawing and painting.

Here they are looking very focused, and pleased with their creations!





Checkmate!

Last Friday, The Bishops' Chess Team took part in the Chelmsford Chess Competition at Moulsham Junior School.

As a team of six, each participant earned points across the course of the morning to finish **6th overall**.

Thanks to Mr Fisher for preparing the team and the children who have given up their lunchtimes on a Thursday to be ready for the tournament.

Welcome to the Book Nook

It is the brainchild of Mrs Parker who is happily extraordinarily enthusiastic about all things reading, and which now provides a haven of quietness and comfort for a few children each lunchtime. Inside is the most beautiful painting created by Miss Parker (not Mrs Parker!) Great thanks also to the PTFA for helping to fund this.





Cross-Country X 3



On Tuesday morning, a group of FS & KS1 runners participated in a Cross-Country event at the Chelmsford Sports & Athletics Centre. They represented the school extremely well, showing great behaviour and sportsmanship. A special mention to Olivia-Rose who came **1st place** and Oliver who came **3rd place**. Mrs Yerrell said it was a great morning and a well organised event. A very well done to all!



After the FS & KS1 Cross Country Teams enjoyed a fabulous morning , it was the turn of KS2 in the afternoon. 56 pupils competed across Years 3 - 6 with many notable achievements.



Congratulations to Chisom and Archie for securing **silver medals** in their respective races, while the Years 3 &

It's not often that we have three lots of Cross-Country Events in one week, but yesterday saw our KS2 runners take part in another race, this time at Hylands Park.

Well done to all who took part. Special mention goes to Theo for his **3rd place medal** and to Chisom and Toby for finishing **3rd place** overall in the Cross-Country League.



All Day Breakfast

Thanks to the work of the School Council, the menu this week included the All Day Breakfast which was enjoyed by many. Thank you, Kitchen Team!



GREAT WORK!

It's always a pleasure to see children's achievements or creations outside of school and in!



Well done to you all!

You should be very proud.



A Golden Ticket Tea Party



I had the great pleasure of hosting the Wonka Golden Ticket Head Teacher's Tea Party on Wednesday and it was a pleasure to welcome Dominic, Eliza, Sidney, Jude, Greyson and Jaslyn to the hallowed Staff Room. It has been great fun seeing the children proudly presenting their

tickets and classes enjoying some extra play, or (maybe the favourite one?) being allowed to go to the front of the lunchtime queue. Here are three who were able to wear their own clothes for the day. Thank you, PTFA, for organising this – what a great idea!



A parent has kindly made us aware that there are roadworks planned along **Lupin Drive on Monday 17th March between the hours of 8am and 5pm.**

Please be aware that this may cause some disruption.





Cake Sale!



Liam and his 4B classmates are holding a **whole school cake sale**

on Friday 28th of March to support

Meows Kitten and Cat Rescue.



If you would like to help provide nut-free cakes or other goodies (baked or bought) then please drop

these off in the morning to the front office. If you are providing homemade cakes then please attach a list of ingredients. Thank you.

A VERY WELL DONE TO...



Here is Ophelia. She has been trying to raise £25 from selling hand made bookmarks for 25 for 2025. They are looking very colourful Ophelia! Great work!

Naomi entered the Beavers handicraft competition and came 1st place for her sunflower!

It looks beautiful!
Well done!



Scarlett has joined Rainbows. She has already taken her Rainbow promise and earned her first badge for first aid, by practicing applying bandages on her friends and learning about what to do with minor injuries at home.

Well done Scarlett!



Some dates for your diary...

The Mothers and Special People Celebration is coming up on Tuesday 25th March – please come if you can. Grandparents welcome, too!

School Concert – Saturday 28th June at Christ Church, Chelmsford
(lots of notice for this!)

PTFA NEWSLETTER UPDATE

JUST TO SAY :

We hope to hold a Relaxation Evening on Fri 28th of March from 7-9pm.

Please do email us if you are interested to attend.



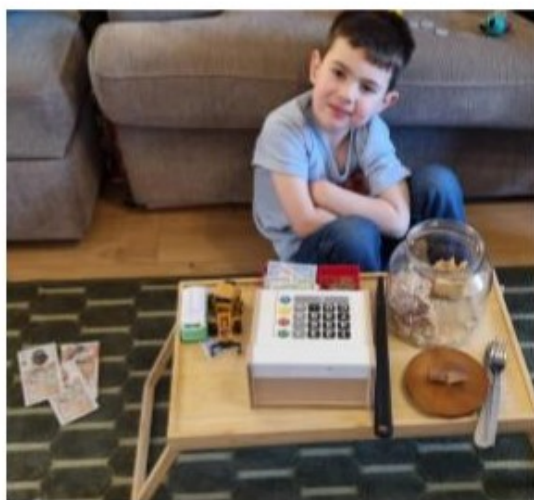
EVENTS TO COME

☪ Fri 28th Mar
Relaxation Event
7pm - 9pm

☪ 25 for 2025
Running from
25.2.25 to 25.4.25

FINANCE UPDATE

FUNDRAISING
TARGET FOR
2024/2025:
£4366.28
OUT OF £10 000



Thank you Oscar Smith from Hedgehogs Class for your 25 for 2025 contribution!

He sold his homemade Millionaire shortbread to friends and family. Oscar set up his own cafe with a till and used his maths skills to provide prices and change!

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

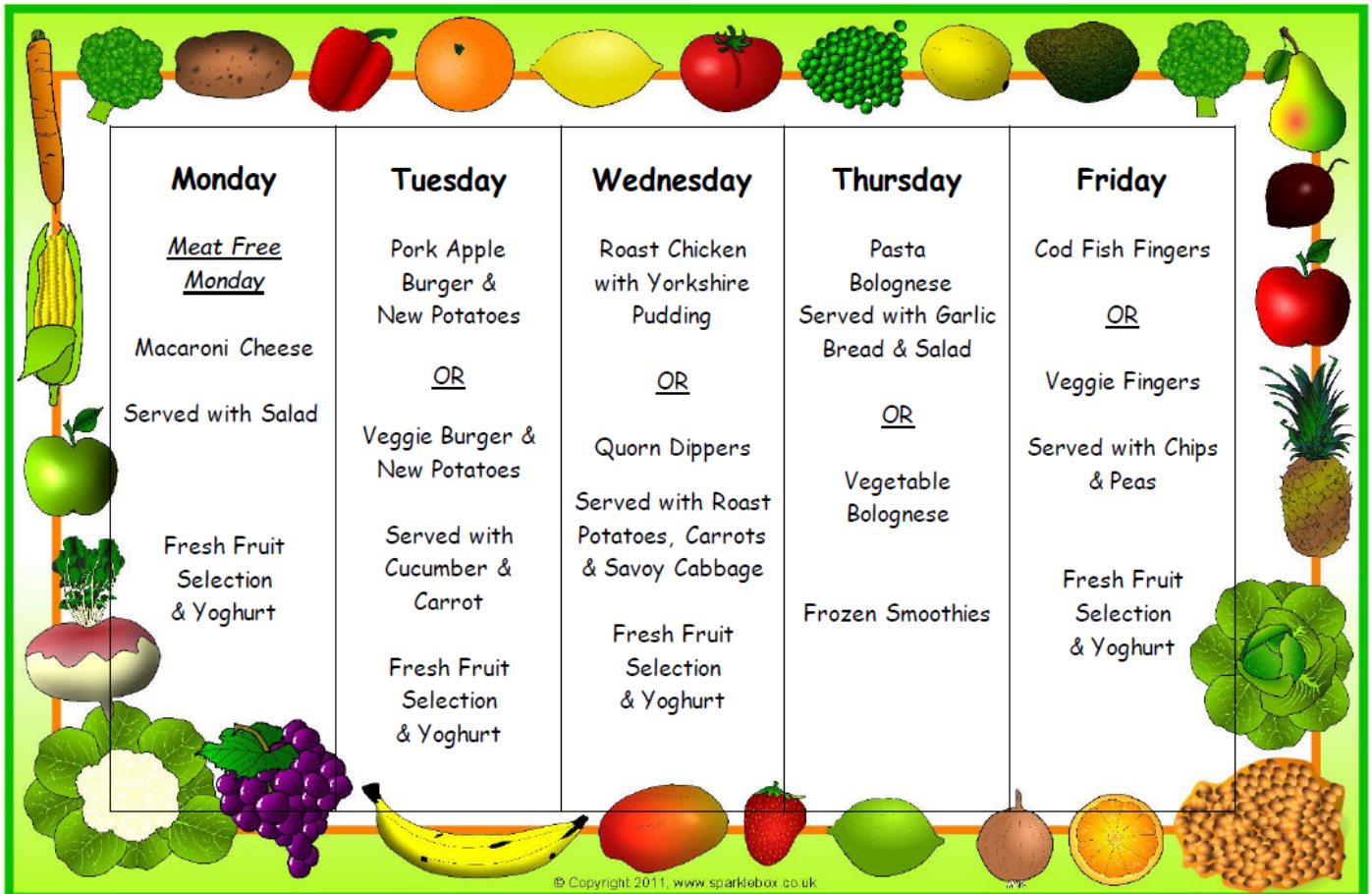


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Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 17th March



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Meat Free Monday</u>	Pork Apple Burger & New Potatoes	Roast Chicken with Yorkshire Pudding	Pasta Bolognese Served with Garlic Bread & Salad	Cod Fish Fingers
Macaroni Cheese	<u>OR</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>OR</u>	<u>OR</u>
Served with Salad	Veggie Burger & New Potatoes	Quorn Dippers	Vegetable Bolognese	Veggie Fingers
Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Served with Cucumber & Carrot	Served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Savoy Cabbage	Frozen Smoothies	Served with Chips & Peas
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Community News

The [Community News](#) page on our website has lots of information about activities, events and support available locally. These include:

- * **Support for parents/carers**
- * **Local church events**
- * **Holiday camps/activities**
 - * **Local shows**
 - * **Music workshops**
- * **Sports clubs and activities**
 - * **Performing Arts**
 - * **Competitions**

Check it out!

Our school needs your help...

We are seeking donations to allow us to make improvements to the buildings and facilities at The Bishops' School.

These donations will help provide a physical environment that allows our children to reach their full potential.

If you are able to help, please use the link below. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/partners/20461994>



Looking Ahead



Tuesday 18th March –

Church Service for Grp1 led by Robin Class, 9.10am;
Netball Match (selected chn) v New Hall School (home), 4.30 to 5.15pm

Wednesday 19th March -

Quick Sticks Hockey Competition (selected chn) at Chelmer Park, 12 to 3.30pm
(transport provided to the event)

Thursday 20th March—

Choir to Rotary Club Choir Competition Finals at Christ Church in the evening, 7pm

Friday 21st March —

Year 4 trip to Colchester Zoo, 8.30am for 9am to 3.15pm;
Alder Class Assembly in the Hall, doors close 9am for 9.10am



Monday 24th March—

KS Tag Rugby Tournament at Writtle College SG, 10am to 12pm (transport provided)

Tuesday 25th March -

Mother's & Special People Church Service for whole school, 9.10am;
Parent Consultation Meetings, 3.30 to 6.30pm

Wednesday 26th March—RockSteady Concert in the Hall at 9.30am;
Girls' Football Match (after school, details tbc)

Thursday 27th March — Parent Consultation Meetings, 3.30 to 6.30pm

Friday 28th March —

Cake Sale for Meows Kitten & Cat Rescue in the Courtyard at breaktime;
PTFA Relaxation Evening, 7 to 9pm

Fri 23rd May—St Augustine's Day Eucharist & picnic on the playground, 11am-1.15pm

Mon 26th May to Fri 30th May—Half Term Break

Mon 2nd June—Non-pupil day

Fri 13th June—Sports Day (KS2 am / KS1 pm)

(Fri 4th July—Reserve Sports Day)



Please advise the office..



Absences, lates and changes to collection arrangements.

Thank you.



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

