

The Bishops' School News



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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

SPORTS DAY 2025

Sports Day last Friday was a beautifully sunny day and we were all very proud of the children for their wonderful efforts and encouragement of each other. Great thanks to the Year 6 helpers and the PTA for all your support, and to Mr Evans for being the Grand Planner of the Day. We hope you all enjoyed it.



The Final Scores were:

Key Stage 1: 1st (255) Air, 2nd (237) Water, 3rd (234) Earth and 4th (221) Fire

Key Stage 2: 1st (303) Fire, 2nd (295) Air, 3rd (279) Water and 4th (266) Earth

Overall: 1st (550) Air, 2nd (524) Fire, 3rd (516) Water and 4th (500) Earth

Here are a few photos from the day, starting with KS2:



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





The traditional Year 6 Photo :



And here are some photos from KS1:







School Games Award!

We have been awarded the highest School Games Award again – The School Games Platinum Award – which is a great accolade to all those (including you parents) who so actively support our sports.

Great thanks especially to Mr Evans who coordinates so much of it, and our sports coaches, children, Miss Foale who does lots of behind the scenes organisation,

Mrs McHale who organises coaches when needed.

There is a huge team which allows our children to access so many opportunities.

**SCHOOL
GAMES
PLATINUM**

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District Sports Success!

After the track events, when we were in 2nd place, we had everything to race for to see if we could retain the trophy for Chelmsford Large Schools.

Great congratulations to the team for their excellent efforts, and their teamwork in the relays, which resulted in a win!! Here are some pics:





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EXOTIC EXPLORERS

It's been Science Week this week, and we have been very excited to have the visit of some very special owls and a falcon!



more sporting news!...

Last Thursday saw the boys football team play Perryfields in their final league fixture of the season. With both teams having won all their games prior, it meant for a nervy match, and the winner going through to the cup final. Perryfields started the match



well, but the boys grew in to game threatening to score through Ivan and Archie. In the second half the hot conditions slowed the game down and it looked to all that it would finish 0-0.

However, credit to Perryfields, they never let up and after winning a corner in the dying seconds they were able to get the goal they needed. Heartbreak for the boys, but we wish Perryfields the best of luck in the final later this month.

There are just a few sporting events left in the calendar and the final opportunity for Year 6 to represent our school. One of these was the Mini Orange Tennis Tournament on Wednesday this week held at Oaklands Park. Three teams of four competed in singles matches accruing points in their groups.

Well done to Bishops' A team who finished first in their pool and will now go on to the finals at New Hall next week, while Bishops' B and C finished 3rd and 4th respectively.





Chelsea FC Coach Samuel has been in this week improving the technical football skills of our Year 5s and 6s. Here are Year 5 improving their dribbling skills in the sunshine. Thank you Samuel!



The Chelmsford School Sports Partnership have also been with us, but they have been working with our youngest children, Foundation Stage. Mandy spent the morning working with groups of 10 as part of a balanceability scheme and commented how impressed she was with the children's confidence.

And finally, it is always lovely to hear about the success of our past pupils. Congratulations to Willow-Grace Bruce who became the ISA U13 1500m national champion at the Alexander Stadium in Birmingham this week running it in just over 5 minutes and ranking her in the top 50 fastest U13 1500m girls in the UK this year! She was lucky enough to receive her goal medal from Olympian Alexandra Bell.



Art Club Creativity



Here's some lovely artwork from Art Club this week.



It's amazing to see how focused the children are when drawing and painting.



Year 2 Production Prep



There's lots to look forward to for Year 2 who are excitedly preparing for their musical production of 'Hats Off!' towards the end of term. Tickets and further information will follow next week.



SHOULD WE FLUSH IT AWAY?

Hornbeam Class have been conducting an investigation titled 'Should We Flush It Away?' Here's what Aydin, Alex and David had to say about it:

"In science we conducted an investigation to find out which type of paper should be flushed down the toilet. We ensured we made it a fair test by having the same size paper, shaking the bottle the same amount of time and water.



We tested toilet paper, blue towel, blue tissue, wet wipes, plain paper and tracing paper. We added one piece at a time to a bottle and shook it for 15 seconds to mimic the way a toilet flushes and made observations about what happened. We then removed the paper and looked at it again.

Our conclusion was that the only paper we should put down the toilet is TOILET PAPER as this broke down".



Mrs Gayther told them that the reason they tested tracing paper was because this is what she had in school when she was in KS1! They were shocked by this especially as it didn't break down.



FEELING HOT, HOT, HOT!

Hot weather is continuing – if you did not see a recent email about sunscreen, this is what it said:



Dear Parents and Carers,

With temperatures currently rising and due to stay high well into next week, I would like to encourage you to continue to apply sunscreen to your children before school, but also to allow them to bring in sunscreen applicators for children to re-apply cream before they go out at lunchtime.

If they do have cream please ensure that:

- It is non-allergenic, i.e. does not contain nut-oil (including coconut), or wheat or gluten (including oats)
- The applicators/bottles of sun cream are named
 - Your child knows how to apply it
- If it is a re-fillable applicator, the name of the cream is on it
- Your child understands that they are not to share their cream with others, and to keep them in their school bags unless using etc.



Please also remember to send your children in with a (named) sunhat/ cap and a water bottle that can be refilled throughout the day. However, please refrain from sending your children in with mini battery powered fans as these can often get broken and don't provide a lot of relief.

New SCHOOL Patrol Officer

We will soon have a new School Patrol Officer to keep us safe crossing the road!

Mrs Hitching (yes, the mother of our Mrs Hitching who works in Foundation Stage) will be starting with us on Monday 7th July. We can't wait!

In the meantime, **PLEASE** keep your children safe, drive carefully, park well....

Junior Music Festival

The choir have been busy singing at the Junior Music Festival at Chelmsford Theatre.
Your children were amazing!



A VERY WELL DONE TO...

These children who are all pictured
looking deservedly proud of their
recent achievements:



Here is Paige the pigeon
She is nesting in the roof of our
outdoor classroom.



PTFA NEWSLETTER UPDATE

JUST TO SAY :	EVENTS TO COME	FINANCE UPDATE
<p>The final PTFA event of the year is fast approaching- Inflatables Fun Day on Thursday, 17th of July.</p> <p>It is for school children only and there will be no capacity for parents to spectate but you are more than welcome to join us by offering to volunteer.</p> <p>Please email thebishopspta@gmail.com if you can help.</p>	<p>17th of July Inflatables Day</p> <p>Nonuniform day Fri 18th of July</p>	<p>Fundraising target for 2024/2025: £6925 out of £10 000</p>

Bishops' PTFA present ...
Fab Friday!

Celebrate another
sunny weekend this
Friday afterschool!

Friday 20th June 2025

- Milk lollies - 50p
- Push ups - £1
- Rocket lollies - £1
- Bubblegum lollies - £1
- Cones - £1.50

Cash or Card
accepted.

Use with FreedomWork.com

A very warm thank to Grace and Rebecca from our Year 2 parent group for volunteering their time to make today's Ice Cream Sale happen💕

We look forward to 3 parent volunteers from our Year 1 parent groups for more icecream sales on the 27th of June 😊

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



✉ thebishopspta@gmail.com

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Lunch Menu for Week Beginning Monday 23rd June

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 Fishwich Fillet Square Served with Chips & Beans
Macaroni Cheese	OR	OR		OR
Served with Mixed Salad	Veggie Sausage & Tomato Pasta	Roasted Quorn Yorkshire pudding	Ice Cream	Veggie Fingers
Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt	Served with Sweetcorn	Served with Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower & Broccoli		Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt
	Frozen Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Selection & Yoghurt		

Community News

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

- * Information about Mid Essex Open Evenings for Years 7 and 12 and Tours for 2026-2027 intake
- * Support for parents/carers
- * Local church events
- * Holiday camps/activities
- * Music workshops/shows
- * Sports clubs and activities
- * Performing arts
- * Competitions





Looking Ahead



Monday 23rd June - Tri Golf Competition (sel chn) at Little Channels, 10am to 12pm;
Shush Club (sel chn) Performance at Chelmsford's Gotta Dance Show
 at Chelmsford Theatre, 7pm

Tuesday 24th June - Church Service for Grp1 led by Hedgehog Class, 9.10am;
Yr2 Smash Festival (sel chn) at St John Payne Sch, 1 to 2.45pm

Wednesday 25th June - Yr6 Bikeability (Group 5);
Yrs 4-6 Science Fair (sel chn) at New Hall Sch, 8.45am to 2.30pm

Thursday 26th June - Yr6 Bikeability (Group 5)

Friday 27th June - Aspen Class Assembly in the Hall, doors close 9am for a 9.10am start;
Community Choir Practice in the Yr6 Block, 3.20 to 4.20pm



Saturday 28th June - The Bishops' School Celebration Concert
 at Christ Church, New London Road, 6.30pm (ticket holders only)



Tuesday 1st July - Church Service for Grp2 led by Wren Class, 9.10am;
Year 3 Bradwell Pilgrimage, 8.30am to 3.30pm:
Yr2 trip to Mini Games at CSAC, 11.30am to 3.15pm



Wednesday 2nd July -
Year 2 Performance of 'Hats Off' in the Hall, 1.30 to 2.30pm

Thursday 3rd July -
Young Carers Club trip to Pizza Express, 8.30am to 12pm;
Year 2 Performance of 'Hats Off' in the Hall, 9.15am to 10.15am

Friday 4th July -
Hedgehog Class Assembly in the hall, doors close 9am for 9.10am start;
Hawthorn Class Cake Sale for the whole school
 in aid of Neurodivergence and the PTFA at breaktime



Please advise the office..

Absences/Lates ...

By 9am: Illness: by email

In advance:

Medical appointments: provide appointment notification

All other absences: complete leave of absence form

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.

