The Bishops' School News









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Dear Parents/Carers and Children,



YEAR 2 MALDON VISIT



Last week, the Year 2 children went on their school trip to Maldon. We had the best day exploring the local area, learning about the Battle of Maldon, eating ice creams and playing at the park of course. Lots of the children particularly enjoyed

re-enacting the Battle of Maldon with swords made out of newspaper.



A huge well done to all of the children for their enthusiasm and their wonderful behaviour.







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





CHOIR ASSEMBLY CELEBRATIONS

Year 6 choir members were awarded their Leavers' Choir Trophies and we were treated to some incredibly powerful singing on Wednesday. Year 2s came to see if they would like to join the choir next year.









We Rock...Part 2!



We enjoyed our second Rock Steady Concert on Tuesday, rocking our way through songs like'We Will Rock You!':



Year 6 Present 'Aladdin'

Year 6 gave a gave a wonderful performance of Aladdin this week – their final time on a Bishops' stage! They sang, acted, joked and danced – great work from everyone involved – thank you!





In other news



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Year 1s have been playing their ocarinas, Year 2s have been writing their own music, and we have a great fish in school!





And.....the girls have WON the Chelmsford Girls' Football League! A huge well done!



Here's Miss Christie, Miss Sturgeon, Mrs Steele, Mr Barlow & Mrs Yip, pictures I didn't have for last week's newsletter.



They, along with Miss Pugh and Miss Day, have all been the most brilliant of staff members, and we wish them, along with all our Year 6s, and any parents and grandparents who are leaving our school community, all the very best – resilience and hope in the face of adversity, joy in all you will do, and God's loving blessing always.















cooking, culture & creations





Year 4 have been busy this week....

Firstly, here they are making delicious cheese savoury cakes!...

...Secondly, they have also been doing some amazing projects about different places in the world for their homework.









And Mr Barlow has been helping his class with a scientific/geographical problem about effective dam-building.



BISHOPS' GOT TALENT!





Our annual talent competition took place yesterday and there were a wide variety of skills on display! Well done to all the children who took part.

The winner from KS1 was Jasmine with her incredible dancing and our KS2 winner was Alice with a powerful rendering of the song 'Heart of Stone' from the musical 'Six'.



Yr 6 Leavers' Events



Year 6 had such a great time at the Wilderness Foundation for their Leavers Event, followed by more fun at school with the Games bus - thank you to the Year 6 parents who made all this possible.







Inflatables Fun!

Miss Rice and Mr Ball, what are you doing in there??!! Thank you, Tam and the PTA and all the helpers, for such a great inflatables day!



Hello Hens!

Every so often, the chickens get special visitors with special treats. Here is Lilly feeding them



some lettuce.





We're not sure who enjoyed the experience more!?

CAKE SALE SUCCESS



A very well done to Hawthorn Class for organising such a successful cake sale last Friday and raising a brilliant £330.81 towards SEN items in school. Thank you, also, to the adults who volunteered their time to help the sale run smoothly and to all





those who contributed cakes.



School Report Feedback

I hope that you enjoyed reading your children's reports and found them useful – thank you to all who have returned the slip with your own comments – if you haven't yet, please try to before the end of term.

PTFA NEWSLETTER UPDATE

JUST TO SAY:



There are so many people to thank for another fabulous year of the Bishops' PTFA!

Those who have given their time to volunteer at discos, Sports Day, Inflatables Day, ice cream sales etc, donated raffle prizes or preloved uniform, queued for ice creams, brought Wonka Bars, or contributed on non-uniform days. And of course, not forgetting the support of Mr Waters and all the wonderful staff at Bishops'. None of the fun and craziness could have been possible with you all!

We look forward to another wonderful year and already have lots of exciting plans in place for 2025/26.



If you are still looking to book summer holiday camps, you can get a £20 discount by using the code BISHPTA25 when booking Barracudas. We will also get a donation!

Pease feel free to share this code.

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

THE PTFA **



We Need Your Help!

If you are a parent/ carer who is able to support the school financially and have not yet started to make regular donations – here's a gentle reminder with the link and the QR code – it's really easy to set up. Your giving will help to preserve so much of what is good at The Bishops'.

Thank you.



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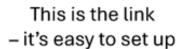
If you can: £10 per month if you have one child with us £15 per month if you have two or more children with us.

'Alone we can do so little, but together we can do so much'

Stewardship[#]



Bishops' Needs Your Help...





Part of our money saving this year is to keep the children's books which have space in to continue working next year, and so you may not receive so many books this year as usual.

A VERY WELL DONE TO ...





On Sunday, Frank took part in a 5k race for life. It was a last minute decision of his to take part and his mum says that he

Well done Frank!

absolutely smashed it.

Rebekah achieved distinction in her LAMDA Public Speaking Entry level exam and completed an introduction course to learning British Sign Language.

Fantastic work Rebekah!





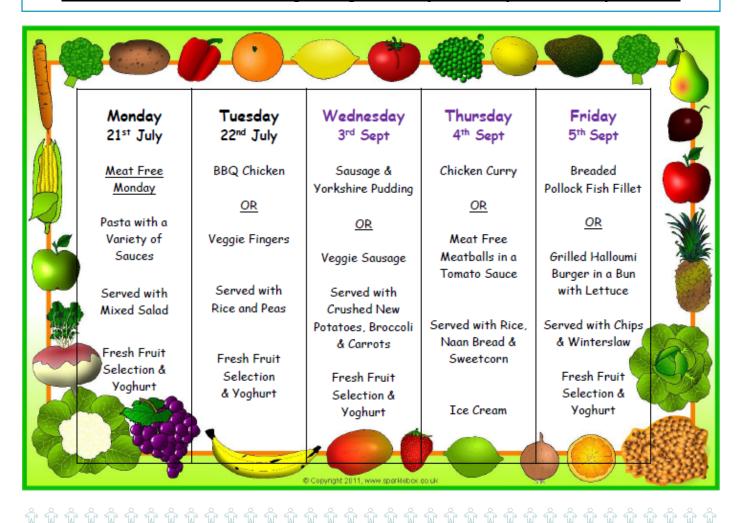
Summer Break



This is the last newsletter of the school year 2024-2025, and we look forward to seeing everyone, including all our new children, in the new school year!

Have an amazing holiday, keep safe, and enjoy fun and rest!

Lunch Menu for Weeks Beginning Monday 21st July and 1st September



Community News

The <u>Community News page</u> 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

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Can You Help?

We are in need of plastic recycling bags.

If you are able to donate any then please hand them into the school office. Thank you very much.





Looking Ahead



Monday 21st July

Year 6 Leavers' Anointing Service in the Church, 10am to approx. 11.15am

Tuesday 22nd July - Last day of term

Wednesday 23rd July to Tuesday 2nd September

Summer Holidays!



Wednesday 3rd September

Back to school for Years 1 to 6



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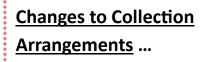
Absences/Lates ...

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.



Advise by email by midday

After this, urgent messages only, by phone by 2.30pm Thank you.



