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Our Amazing Year 6 Tour Guides!

This week, we welcomed Year 2 parents as they are completing applications for places in Year 3 for September. It was a well-attended event and the absolute highlight was the school tour guided by Year 6 pupils. Many of the parents spoke highly of the Year 6 pupils and some have emailed in positive comments too. We are always proud of the children here at Bishop Wood and are especially proud of Josh B, Poppy W, Martha GV, Sam C, Charlie C, Elise M, Thomas L and Iris P for their amazing tour guiding work this week. Well done!

Bishop Wood and Goldfield

Both Goldfield and Bishop Wood are working hard, at the moment, to strengthen links between the two schools. This is happening on many different levels including regular meetings between school leaders, links being forged across governing bodies, shared staff training and increasing pupil visits. This week, I was pleased to visit Goldfield for an afternoon to meet with Katherine Cooper and to visit classes. It was lovely to meet some of the younger siblings of Bishop Wood pupils. Our Year 3 children also attended the Y2 dress rehearsal of their Christmas play yesterday. We will continue to work more closely and are planning to work together around certain aspects of the curriculum in the coming months.

Year 3 Electric Umbrella Christmas Hit

Year 3 were invited to sing and sign along with the new Electric Umbrella Christmas song, and it has just been released! They did brilliantly and really enjoyed themselves. Please try and spot them in [this link](#) (not easy as so many schools were involved!) They will be performing the song again before the Christmas Carol Concert.

Well done year 3!

Christmas Events at Bishop Wood

Christmas is always a busy time in schools and there are lots of events happening over the next few weeks in school. We hope that the children, staff and parents will all enjoy these events as we head towards the Christmas Break.

- Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Lunch at School – Children may wear Christmas Jumpers all day.
- Monday 18th December at 7pm – Christmas Service in Church of St Peter and St Paul – all welcome!
- Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th December – Christmas Jumpers may be worn in school on all days.
- Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Golden Time in School for the children!
- Wednesday 20th December at 9.30am – Final Collective Worship of the term in Church of St Peter and St Paul – all welcome!

The Tring Team Parish are holding another Christingle Services this year:

- Sunday 10th December – Aldbury Church at 10.00am

Author Visit

The author Iona Rangeley is making her rescheduled visit on Monday 11th December.

Poppy Appeal 2023

Thank you to everyone who made donations to the Poppy Appeal. We have just found out that the school raised £410! Well done to everyone.

Behaviour for Learning Champions

Congratulations to the following children who were the Behaviour for Learning Champions last week!

3I – Felicity M
3S – Jay H
4A – George T
4H – Riley E
5DR – William H
5H – Cassius W



6C – Maisie N
6M – Isla T

Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Darcey E and Erin H
3S – Samuel B and Beau B
4A – Dolcie HP and Cami C
4H – Riley E and Charlie A
5DR – Poppy and Hayden S
5H – Fred S and Harry M
6C – Thomas B and Finn D
6M – Emily W and Bradley W

Other Honours

Pen Licences – Georgie J and Charlie A
Platinum Reading – Finley C
Arthur T – Court Theatre
Astrid G – Gymnast of the Week
Aubree T - Dance

Around School

Year 3 have enjoyed working on times tables this week. Year 4 have been learning about the Advent Wreath and the meaning behind the candles. Year 5 have completed some excellent work around teamwork skills and Year 6 have been planning their sewing project in DT.

Next week

Year 3 will be sewing Christmas stockings. Year 4 will be finishing off a unit on multiplication and division. Year 5 will be starting full rehearsals ahead of the Christmas Service which is going to be incredible. Year 6 will launch into their sewing work!

Diary Dates

Please find below a list of key dates for the Autumn Term. We will add to this as we progress through the school year. New dates will be highlighted.

Wednesday 13 th December	Christmas Lunch Day – Bookings Closed
Wednesday 13 th December	Pupils can wear Christmas Jumpers
Monday 18 th , Tuesday 19 th and Wednesday 20 th December	Pupils can wear Christmas Jumpers
Wednesday 20 th December	9.30am – Christmas Service in St Peter & St Paul Church
Wednesday 20 th December	1.30pm – School closes for Christmas

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley