



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **Behaviour Update**

Our work around improving general behaviour and behaviour for learning in the classroom is continuing and we are constantly reviewing what we have put in place. This week, many of you will have received a message through the class charts platform regarding your child's behaviour in school. This is a new addition to our offer and will enable staff to contact parents with a quick and simple update. Invariably this will be a positive message regarding something that your child has done particularly well. Occasionally it may be to let you know that your child has perhaps had a tricky day. Rest assured that any serious behaviour concerns will be dealt with by a phone call home or a face to face conversation after school. This added communication is designed to give parents a greater insight into how things are going in school for your child. There is a function to reply to the message but please only use this to acknowledge receipt or to make a general comment. If you wish to ask a question or discuss things further with your child's class teacher, this must be done by making contact via the school office. Thank you!

### **Weather**

After an incredibly mild festive period it has suddenly turned rather cold. I was very pleased to see that every child came to school yesterday with a coat on and many were wearing hats and gloves. Unless the weather is really poor, we will do our best to get the children outside for break, lunch and PE sessions so it is really important that they have appropriate clothing.

In terms of potential snow and extreme weather, we will always do our best to keep the school open if it is safe to do so for staff and pupils. Any urgent updates relating to school opening will be communicated by text message to the mobile numbers we have on our database. If you have recently changed your phone number and have not told us, please let the office know ASAP.

### **Mr Hall's Football Club**

Mr Hall is not in school next week and as such the after school football club on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January is cancelled.

### **House Awards**

Both Venus and Jupiter have passed the 2000-point threshold so will have a non-uniform day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

Well done to everyone in Venus and Jupiter!

### **Class Assemblies**

We have set the dates for the class assemblies for this term. These will start as soon as possible after the morning register so parents should be seated by 9.00am! We look forward to seeing you at these events:

6M – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January  
6C – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
5H – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February  
5DR – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February  
4H – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February  
4A – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March  
3I – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March  
3S – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

### **Be Bright Be Seen Scarf Competition**

Winner – Bella S (6C)

Runners Up – Alice G (3I) Evelyn L (3S) Mollie C (4A) Annabel S (4H) Ava A (5DR) Edie M (5H) Ava S (6M)

Well done to all the runners up and the winner of the design a bright scarf competition. Bella's design is in the process of being made by Mrs Spriggs! Please take a look at the designs on our school Twitter/X account.

### **Celebration**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Hazel W and Gabriel F



3S – Samuel B and Ava T  
 4A – Ellis M and Euan OB  
 4H – Indy R and Charlie E  
 5DR – Layla-Mai K and Francesca R  
 5H – Amelia L and Tia-Rose S  
 6C – Maisie N and Martha GV  
 6M – Chelsea T and Ayaz S

*Other Honours*

Amelia L and Christopher C – Piano  
 Thomas HW – Football  
 Alice G and George W – Pen Licences  
 Ava Atherton - passed her LAMDA exam with Distinction

**Around School**

***This Week***

Year 3 have been investigating picture frames as part of their current DT project. Year 4 have been completing a really interesting experiment into tooth decay by placing eggshell in different liquids. Year 5 had a great time at their first swimming session and Year 6 have started a writing project based on The Spiderwick Chronicles.

***Next Week***

Year 3 will be creating poems based on 'If I had Wings' by Pie Corbett. Year 4 will be looking at world rivers in Geography. Year 5 are going to be learning about how plants reproduce and Year 6 will be looking at evolution and inheritance in Science.

**Diary Dates**

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

Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Non-uniform Day for Venus & Jupiter Houses
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	9am - 6M Class Assembly
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices at the O2 (Year 5)
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	9am – 6C Class Assembly
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	9am – 5H Class Assembly
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> February	9am – 5DR Class Assembly
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	9am – 4H Class Assembly
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	9am – 4A Class Assembly
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	9am – 3I Class Assembly
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	9am – 3S Class Assembly
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	11.30 am – End of Term Worship at St Peter & St Paul

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley