



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **New Year's Resolutions**

This week in collective worship we discussed the idea of New Year's Resolutions and how they are personal goals which are designed to improve the lives of the individual or the wider community. Many children had already set a resolution but lots hadn't. Some of the children shared their resolutions and we will be checking in on them to see how they are getting on over the next few weeks:

Theo T: To perform better at football training on a Saturday morning.

Esme P: To raise more money for Save The Children than she did last year.

Magnus M: To get into the higher team at Tring Tornados.

Astrid G: To jump higher fences (horse riding).

### **Breakfast and Supper Club**

At a meeting of school governors this week, we did our annual review of the wrap around care provision. Part of this was to look at the current fee structure. I am pleased to announce that we have decided to keep the fees the same for the next academic year at £6 for a morning session and £14 for an after school session. We hope that this will enable parents to continue to access this important provision. Debs will be in contact later in the school year regarding securing places for 25/26.

### **Open Morning**

We have hosted open mornings in the past which have been incredibly well received by parents. These open mornings allow you to come in and see learning happening across the school. We will be having our first open morning of the school year on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February (9.30-10.30). This open morning will have a Maths focus. Please add this important date to your diary and share it around so that we get a strong uptake. You will find it fascinating to see what and how the children are learning

### **Toys and Smart Watches**

We are still having issues with children bringing toys and smart watches to school. Please could you take the lead on making sure this does not happen. The only 'toys' allowed in school should be agreed with the class teacher and be part of provision for additional needs. This includes the Breakfast and Supper Club. Thank you.

### **Important Health Information**

Please click [this link](#) to see a letter from Dr Rachel Joyce (Medical Director for NHS Herts and West Essex) which contains advice about getting the right care for poorly children. We have been asked to share this with you by the Health Protection Lead at Herts CC.

### **Uniform**

Base layers such as skins or under armour are not part of the school uniform and should not be worn to school underneath shorts. If your child gets too cold wearing shorts then the sensible option is to put them into trousers. From next week, pupils wearing these base layers will be asked to remove them. Thank you in advance for your support!

### **Behaviour Champions**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school for their outstanding behaviour for learning:

3I – Lucy W

3S – George J

4A – Lyle G

4PS – Zac T

5DR – Gwen R

5H – Cami C

6C – Scarlett D

6M – Eve C



### **Celebration**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Connor J and Zoe T

3S – Matthew R and James A

4A – Sebastian B and Dylan P

4PS – Aoife C and Leo C

5DR – Felix M

5H – George S

6C – Amelia L and Fin M

6M – Aubree T and Emilja G

Well done – keep up the excellent work!

### **Other Honours**

Pom Poms – 5H

Lunchtime Leader Awards – Valentina S, Harry M, Arthur J, Alex Y, Arlo H and Rafi SG.

### **Around School**

#### *This Week*

Year 3 have really enjoyed discovering the 99 beautiful names for Allah. Year 4 have written some excellent one perspective narratives. Year 5 enjoyed their Young Voices trip to the O2. Year 6 have been busy writing their Boggart diaries as part of their work on The Spiderwick Chronicles.

#### *Next Week*

Year 3 are looking forward to starting a new science topic on rocks. Year 4 will be learning about pitch in music. Year 5 are looking forward to their work on explanation texts in English lessons. Year 6 are starting a new science topic on evolution and inheritance.

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley