



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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Mr G Stanley, Headteacher

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Collective Worship

Our collective worship themes this year are going to link back to the four areas of our school vision (Wisdom – Hope – Community – Dignity). We are currently looking at wisdom. During the past two weeks, the children have had a chance to think about wisdom and its link to intelligence/knowledge. We have discussed how wisdom often comes from using personal experiences to make better judgements in the future. Father Huw used his tent and the story of the wise man who built his house on rock to illustrate this. We have also looked at the wisdom of King Solomon.

### Individual Photographs

Individual and sibling photographs are taking place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. As mentioned in a separate letter, we are open from 8.00 for those of you who have children in other settings to come along for a group photo. We hope that you find this a useful way to capture all your children in one photo!

### Absences

Please could we ask that all absences are sent in by calling the school and using the absence line (option 1). Some parents are emailing in to notify absences but emails may not be checked prior to the registers being taken. The first thing the office team do on arriving is to check the absence line. Thanks

### Tree Root Protection

You will notice that we have created exclusion zones around the bases of some of the larger trees near the new climbing trail. These areas, with the darker mulch type filler, will eventually be planted with bulbs and plugs and will blossom in the Spring. Please could you help us by stopping your children from playing in the root protection areas.

### Buddies Events

The Buddies have had their first meeting of the year and have set provisional dates for their many upcoming events. They are listed here so you can plan to come along!

Event	Date
Disco	4 <sup>th</sup> October
Pop Up Event	8 <sup>th</sup> November
Disco	22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Wreath Making	4 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Fair	6 <sup>th</sup> December
Refreshments at Christmas Service	16 <sup>th</sup> December
Disco	17 <sup>th</sup> January
Quiz	7 <sup>th</sup> February
Disco	13 <sup>th</sup> March
Summer Fair	10 <sup>th</sup> May
Moving On Up Event	10 <sup>th</sup> July

### MacMillan Coffee Morning – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Mrs Guest is organising a coffee morning to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Support. Please come along and enjoy a slice of cake and cup of coffee in support of this charity. It will be starting at 11.00.

### Around School

Year 3 have been using fables to explore meanings in English this week. They have also had a focus on vocabulary and punctuating direct speech. Year 4 have been busy investigating liquids in Science. Year 5 have been looking at poetry and have written kennings about themselves. I was pleased to be sent Rupert M with his excellent kenning. Year 6 are busy writing, editing and redrafting their own stories.



## Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3B – Seb M and Riley N  
3R – Otto S and Matthew P  
4H – Orla H, Joshua R and Shannon I  
4F – Greta H and Cedd C

5DR – Sophie H and Oliver S  
5C – Rupert M and Georgia J  
6I – Hattie C and Frankie H  
6M – Daisy M and Lola B

*Other/Outside Honours*  
Willow S - Kickboxing

## Diary Dates

Please find below a list of key dates.

### Autumn Term

Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual/Sibling Photographs
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September at 9:15	Year 5 Meet the Teacher
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September at 11:00	MacMillan Coffee Morning
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October at 9:15	Year 3 Meet the Teacher
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3 Tring Natural History Museum
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October at 2:00pm	Harvest Festival at St Peter and St Paul
Week Beginning 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Fun, Fit and Fruity Week
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 3 Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	NHS Nasal Flu Vaccinations (all children)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Finish for Half Term at 3:30
Week Beginning 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Pupil Premium and SEN Review Meetings
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3 Trip to Waterside Theatre
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 4:00-7:00pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 4:00-7:00pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November at 2:30pm	Music Celebration
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Year 5 Egyptian Day
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 9:30 – 10:30	Open Morning
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	School Closed (Occasional Day)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm	School Christmas Service at St Peter and St Paul
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December at 9:30	School Collective Worship at St Peter and St Paul
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 1:30pm	School Closes for Christmas

### Spring Term

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	School Closed - INSET
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	School Opens to Children
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January at 9:15	6M Class Collective Worship
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Fossil Workshops – Y6 and Y3
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January at 9:15	6I Class Collective Worship
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January at 9:15	5DR Class Collective Worship
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February at 9:15	5C Class Collective Worship
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February at 3:30pm	Finish for Half Term
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February at 9:15	4H Class Collective Worship
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 9:30 – 10:30	Open Morning
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March at 9:15	4F Class Collective Worship
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Trip to Hazard Alley
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	3R Class Collective Worship
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	3B Class Collective Worship
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 4:00 – 7:00pm	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 4:00 – 7:00pm	Parents' Evening
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2:00 – 3:00pm	Lenten Bazaar

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April at 2:30	Music Celebration
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April at 9:30	End of Term Worship at St Peter and St Paul
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April at 1:30pm	School Closes for Easter

### ***Summer Term***

Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April at 9:15	Year 3 Collective Worship
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	No longer a Bank Holiday
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May at 9:15	Year 4 Collective Worship
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day Bank Holiday
Week Beginning 11 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs Week
Week Beginning 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Science Week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May at 3:30	Finish for Half Term
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May at 9:15	Year 5 Collective Worship
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May at 3:30	Finish for Half Term
Week Beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Swanage Trip
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June at 9:30	Sports Day
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June at 9:30	Reserve Date for Sports Day
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	4H at Woodrow High House
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	4F at Woodrow High House
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July at 2:00pm	Year 6 Matinee Performance
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July at 7:00pm	Year 6 Evening Performance
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 at College Lake
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July at 2:30pm	Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July at 1:30	Finish for Summer

For more information and to view letters about upcoming events please visit the school website  
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