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Mr G Stanley, Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers

School Gardening Area

We are looking to develop our gardening area and are planning to build three new raised beds. We would like to put a working party together of parent helpers to come along and help construct the beds. If you are free and keen to help on Saturday 27th and/or 28th April, please sign up via the parent gateway. Refreshments (possibly including beer and wine!) will be provided. Thanks in advance for your support.

Absences

Thank you to those parents who diligently report their child's absence via the absence line. It would help the office immensely if, when reporting any absence, you could give the office as much information as possible.

Years 3 and 4 Hockey Tournament

On Wednesday, a group of children from years 3 and 4 went to Tring School for a hockey tournament. The majority of the children were new to hockey so it was a great opportunity for them to try a new sport. Whilst neither team came away from the event with a medal, all players enjoyed themselves and played really well. They represented Bishop Wood brilliantly and were a credit to the school.

Netball Tournament at Berkhamsted Collegiate School

On Wednesday 27th March, we took part in a netball tournament at Berkhamsted School. It was a beautiful afternoon and the girls were in high spirits. We played 7 short matches against some very strong opposition. After the first game ended in defeat, the girls kept their heads up and moved on to win 4 matches, draw one and lose one more. The final result meant that we finished in third place, coming home with bronze medals. A fantastic result, well done girls! The player of the tournament was Caitlin B. A big thank you to Sam Graham and Mel Hands for their excellent umpiring.

New Menu

Debs has populated the new Spring/Summer menu on the parent gateway so that you can start to book meals for after the Easter Holidays.

Year 3 Bibles

Year 3 pupils will be presented with a bible in worship next Wednesday. This longstanding tradition happens each year during the Spring term.

Big Pedal 2019

Mrs Reeve has advised me that we are currently 22nd in the country based on our Big Pedal statistics. We are aiming to get in the top 10 so keep walking, cycling and scooting your way to and from school! For information on Big Pedal Activities and the Biker's Breakfast which both take place on 4th April, please see the letter which was sent out earlier this week.

Music Room

Mrs Doe and her daughter Grace have been volunteering in school recently and have given the school music room a make-over. It is looking fantastic and we are really grateful to them for all their hard work.



Year 6 Easter Gardens

Next Thursday (4th April), Year 6 pupils will be making their Easter Gardens. They will need to bring in the following:

- a seed/shallow tray
- compost/soil
- a pot to make the cave
- stones and twigs
- a larger stone for the cave
- some moss/grass and flowers.

Church Service – Friday 5th April

As you will be aware, we complete our collective worship in St Peter and St Paul on the last day of each term. This term's service is taking place on Friday 5th April at **9.30am**. All are welcome to attend this service. We look forward to seeing you there.

Herts Catering Survey

Herts Catering have advised us that only 9 parents have completed their survey! If you want to share your thoughts on the school meal offering, please click the link below to contribute:

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/bishopwood/>

Netball vs Bovingdon

The captain of this game was Emily W, who did a fantastic job of leading the team in their final league match. The game started evenly with both teams scoring 3 goals in the first quarter. However, Bishop Wood took a strong lead in the second quarter, scoring a further 4 goals. The final result was 14-9 to us. Well done Bishop Wood! The player of the match was a deserving Jess C.

Lenten Bazaar

As tradition dictates, we held our annual Lenten Bazaar today – it being the last full Friday of the Easter Term. As usual it was a chaotic but fun event. Well done to all the children involved and thanks to all the wonderful parents who supported the event. The money raised will be divided between Action Aid and Electric Umbrella. For those of you who want to start planning next year's Lenten Bazaar stalls, it will be held on Friday 27th March 2020.

Football vs Thomas Coram

Bishop Wood's 'B' team completed their football season with a win at Thomas Coram on Tuesday afternoon. An early goal from Joshy W-J put us 1-0 up but, despite a number of chances, we couldn't add to our lead. Just before half time, a strong period for the hosts saw them score twice in quick succession leaving us trailing 1-2 at half time. However, Bishop Wood dominated the second half and two goals each from George B and Tom H saw us run out victors by 5-2. This means the 'B' team have won 3 of their 4 matches this season. Congratulations to all the players.

Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Oscar K and Olivia O

5F – Evie M and Ava W

3B – Rohini P, Beau W and Alistair W

5R – Hannah T and Elsie S

4H – Isabella D, Tom O'N and Laura C

6C – Caris W and Violet A

4DR – Izzie J, Amber E, Thea G, Freya B and Joseph S

6M – Tom H and Dawid O

Golden Broom – 6C

Outside Honours

Rohini P - Gymnastics

Gold Reading Awards

Maya T and Emilia W

Around School

3I have been writing Kennings about animals this week. 3B have carried on their work on Iron Age settlements. 4DR tackled fraction word problems in Maths. 4H have been writing their own stories in the style of Horrid Henry. Year 5 have been busy over the past few weeks on the mini police scheme and are now working on presentations to share with the rest of the school. Year 6 have spent time planning their Easter gardens.

Important Dates

Wed 3rd April 2019, 2:00pm	Music Celebration
Thu 4th April 2019, 7:45am	Big Pedal Activities
Thu 4th April 2019, 8:30am	Biker's Breakfast
Thu 4th April 2019, 3:30pm	4H – Cake & Cookie Sale
Fri 5th April 2019, 9:30am	Church Service – all welcome
Fri 5th April 2019, 1:30pm	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm
Tue 23rd April 2019	Summer Term starts
Thu 25th April 2019	Photographer – Class & Team Photos
Fri 26th April 2019, 3:30pm	3B – Cake & Cookie Sale
Fri 26th April 2019, 7:00pm - 8:30pm	Buddies Disco for children
Thu 2nd May 2019	School Closed – Dacorum Local Elections Polling Station
Fri 3rd May 2019, 3:30pm	3I – Cake & Cookie Sale
Mon 6th May 2019	Bank Holiday
Mon 13th May 2019 - Fri 17th May 2019	SATS Week (Year 6)
Sat 18th May 2019, 11:00am - 2:00pm	Buddies Summer Fayre
Mon 20th May 2019 - Fri 24th May 2019	Science Week
Fri 24th May 2019	End of Half Term – School closes at 3.30pm
Mon 27th May 2019 - Fri 31st May 2019	Half Term Holiday
Mon 3rd June 2019	Back to School
Mon 3rd June 2019 - Fri 7th June 2019	Year 6 – Study Tour to Swanage
Fri 14th June 2019	Dacorum School Sports Network – Netball Tournament
Tue 18th June 2019	Year 3 visit St Albans Abbey
Mon 1st July 2019 - Wed 3rd July 2019	4H – Woodrow High House
Mon 8th July 2019 - Wed 10th July 2019	4DR – Woodrow High House
Fri 12th July 2019	Buddies Moving on Up BBQ
Fri 19th July 2019	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm

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