



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **Covid-19 Update**

We are monitoring the number of cases in school closely and are liaising with the appropriate external bodies as necessary. If the threshold for a 'local outbreak' is met in a particular class or year group, parents will be contacted directly with further information. Please can you help us by letting us know if there is a positive case within your household (this could be a parent, grandparent or sibling) as we will keep an eye on your child to see if symptoms develop.

### **Covid Symptoms**

The official Covid-19 symptoms remain:

- New and persistent cough
- High temperature
- Loss of sense of taste/smell

However, we have seen a lot of children complaining of sore throats/tummy aches/headaches before then testing positive for Covid-19. If you are in any doubt as to whether your child has Covid symptoms or not, the best course of action is probably to have a PCR test. As these symptoms are not within the NHS/DfE guidance, we can only advise these tests rather than request them.

### **Collective Worship**

We have continued the theme of Wisdom this week. Father Huw visited on Tuesday and talked to the children about wisdom through the story of the wise man who built his house on rock.

### **Hair**

Long hair should be tied back at all times during the school day. This is to ensure that pupils are not distracted by hair falling all over them and it also helps to reduce the likelihood of getting the dreaded headlice!

### **Golden Padlock**

Mrs Reeve has started a new initiative to reward those who cycle to school. Every Friday she will choose a bike and will place the golden padlock on it somewhere (note – the bike will still be useable!). If you win the lucky padlock award, please find Mrs Reeve on the following Monday and she will exchange the padlock for a prize. Happy cycling!

### **Water Bottles**

Please ensure that your child comes to school with a water bottle each day. It is very important for them to be hydrated. We have noticed lots of children without water bottles this week.

### **Meet the Teacher**

A reminder of the upcoming 'Meet the Teacher' dates. They will take place at 9.15am on the following days:

Year 5 – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Year 4 – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October

Please avoid bringing younger siblings to these meetings if at all possible. Thank you.

### **Celebration**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3R – Scarlett D and Oscar P

3F – Oliver R and Alex K

4H – Bella S and Noah M

5DR – Matthew P and Jess RE

5C – Shyloh P and Arthur L

6M – Evan P and Poppy D

6I – Ethan H and Hettie J



### *Other/Outside Honours*

Ralph F - Pen Licence

Wills H, Fred S, Liam R, Lane R, Thomas R, Austin R and Melody B – Tring Tornadoes Football Club

Isaac J and Gene M – Tring Park Cricket Club

Emelia W - Cheerleading

Olivia C – Golf and Cricket

### **Around School**

Year 3 have been busy investigating various skeletons, both human and animal. Year 4 carried out a really enjoyable science investigation to look at solids which dissolve in water. Year 5 have been studying the Solar System and Year 6 enjoyed their first swimming session of the term!

### **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.

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September at 9.15	Year 6 Meet the Teacher
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> September at 9.15	Year 5 Meet the Teacher
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Buddies Event
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> October at 9.15	Year 4 Meet the Teacher
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Friday October 15 <sup>th</sup> at 2pm	Harvest Festival at St Peter and St Paul
Week Beginning 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Fun Fit and Fruity Week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Finish for Half Term at 3.30
Week Beginning 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Consultation Meetings (TBC)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November at 2pm	Music Celebration
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	School closed – Occasional Day
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	School closed – INSET Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School trip to the Panto!
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Pupil Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December at 9.30	Whole school Collective Worship at St Peter and St Paul
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School closes at 1.30pm

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley