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Dear Parents and Carers,

Curriculum Development

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we are reviewing our curriculum. Please could you find some time to complete our very short survey. It should take no more than 5 minutes. You might want to have your child nearby when you complete it. You can access it by clicking the link below. Thanks in advance!

[Curriculum Survey](#)

Sports Day

Next week we are holding our annual sports day. Currently, it is likely to be a very hot day. Could all children please make sure they come to school with a hat, a full water bottle and with sun cream already applied. Please could they also wear their house coloured t-shirt. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

House Games

This week Years 3 & 4 took part in cricket. The results were: 1st Mars, 2nd Jupiter, 3rd Saturn and 4th Venus.

Christchurch Road Gate

Some parents have been commenting that it has been a bit of a struggle getting through the Christchurch Rd gate recently. I have asked Mrs Spriggs to open the double gates in addition to the pedestrian gate. I hope that this will ease the flow at crunch times. We are looking at ways to make this a long term solution. In the meantime, could you please take care to not wait in an area which blocks the path or gate. This would be a huge help. Parents are welcome to wait on the playground/field at the end of the school day as long as you do not impede any outdoor learning which may be taking place.

Landscapes of Tring - Art Exhibition

Bishop Wood is hosting an art exhibition on Saturday 29th June (10.30 – 2.30). The art work has been created by all the primary schools in Tring as well as Tring School. Please come along and look at the lovely art work. Teas and coffees will be available.

Celebration

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – None this week

3B – None this week

4H – George R, Ollie R, Oliver S and Fraser S

4DR – Tilly DG, Lilly J and Freddie K

5F – Amira P and Arthur M

5R – Oliver B and Sophia P

6C – Barnaby H and Amber W

6M – India MC and Danny S

Golden Broom – 5R

Other/Outside Honours

Harry H – Football

George R – Gymnastics

Nicolina H – Irish Dancing

Gold Reading Awards

Sam T

Double Gold Reading Award

Grace F, Sophia G, Eden J and Lola G



Clean Air Day

Thursday was National Clean Air Day. Thanks to the JTAs for taking the assembly, and spreading the message about the importance of clean air. A huge thanks to Pauline from Tring Yoga, who gave up her time to work with Year 5. They had a yoga session outside. Pauline took them on a journey through Africa, and the children experienced a mixture of fun and thoughtful yoga positions. Year 5 showed lots of enthusiasm - well done all of them! The cycling club were treated to a bike maintenance lesson from David of Tringmotion (based in the Silk Mill Business Park). Thank you to David for giving up his time to come to our school. We will be checking their tyres and helmets next week at cycling club!

Other work on looking after our environment was going on around the school, in between the Spelling Bee!

Spelling Bee

Yesterday, the finals of the Bishop Wood Spelling Bee took place. Children had been competing in class over recent weeks. The finalists were:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Maya K	Freya B	Amira P	Jess C
Luca DS	Alex L	Albie W	Esther B
Albert P	Emilia S	Lily P	Danny S
Alistair W	Grace F	Sophia G	Livia V

The Year 5 event was won after round two by Amira P by a margin of one spelling! Pupils in Y3, Y4 and Y6 all had perfect scores after rounds one and two and had to be separated by a tie-break round (a first for Bishop Wood). The air was tense with anticipation, the room fell silent as Albert, Emilia and Livia won their competitions. Mrs Clark will be taking the 4 winners to Tring School next week to compete against other local schools. Good luck! Thanks to Pippa Chappell for coming in to help with the Spelling Bee.

Midsummer Fun Run

Working on the start line, it was very clear to me what a HUGE number of Bishop Wood children (88!) took part! They were all amazing, ran brilliantly, and kept smiling all the time! We have heard today that Bishop Wood **WON** the school prize! Special mention to Matilda H and Rhys F-L who both won their individual races.

And on to the adults in 'Team Bishop Wood' - we **WON** the team event!!! Special thanks have to go to Mr Taylor, Mr Macaulay and Mr Ashton who helped us to regain the trophy from 2 years ago. All the adults did brilliantly. Miss Record and I were delighted to have a Bishop Wood entourage escort us to the finish line - we needed a bit of encouragement at that point!

Mrs Reeve

Year 6 Netball Tournament

Our netball team has had a fantastic year. Their season culminated last week as they went along to Hemel Hempstead for a tournament against schools from across Dacorum. Despite being placed in a really tough group, the girls played hard and well. They did not progress to the knock out stage but should be proud of the way they played and represented Bishop Wood. Congratulations to Grove who won the tournament outright.

Triathlon

Last Friday afternoon, all our triathletes did us proud! 29 children swam, cycled and ran, up at Tring school. They especially had to 'dig in' for the cycle ride - cycling on grass is never easy, especially when it is damp. The children were all amazing - brilliantly behaved and really encouraging to each other. They chose the charity 'Cancer Research' to support, and are busy collecting their sponsor money to bring into school.

Around School

Year 3 had a fantastic visit to St Alban's Cathedral this week. They learnt all about St Alban, the Roman History of the town and made their own mosaics. Thanks to those parents who came along to help. Year 4 have been busy creating their own recycled instruments. They have then used these to accompany Bangra music. Year 5 have been doing end of year assessments but have kept really positive. Their week of tests ended with an excellent yoga session outdoors. Year 6 are busy studying the Mayans!

Bishop Wood Bake Off

We hope that as many of you as possible will support this event which the School Council have spent a lot of time designing and planning.

All entries are to be brought into school on the morning of **Friday 28th June** in clearly labelled tins/containers. Each baked entry needs the attached form filled in so we know which age group and category it is to be judged in, along with the £1 entry fee.

The Mayor of Tring is now a confirmed judge!

Important Dates

Summer Term 2019

Wed 26th June 2019, 9:30am - 12:00pm	Sports Day
Thu 27th June 2019, 9:15am	Year 5 Collective Worship
Thu 27 th June 2019 9.00am – 12.00pm	Spelling Bee Final at Tring School
Thu 27 th June 2019 – all day	Cricket Tournament at Tring School
Fri 28th June 2019	Bishop Wood Bake Off
Fri 28th June 2019, 1:30pm - 3:15pm	Reserve Sports Day
Sat 29th June 2019	Arts Society – Local art project exhibition
Sat 29th June 2019, 10:30am	Tring Carnival
Mon 1st July 2019 - Wed 3rd July 2019	4H – Woodrow High House
Thu 4th July 2019	Year 5 Trip to College Lake
Mon 8th July 2019 - Wed 10th July 2019	4DR – Woodrow High House
Tue 9th July 2019, 2:00pm	Year 6 Play
Wed 10th July 2019, 7:00pm	Year 6 Play
Fri 12th July 2019	Buddies Moving on Up BBQ
Fri 12th July 2019, 2:15pm	Wizard of Oz – Drama Club production
Wednesday 17 th July, 7-9pm	Year 6 Beach Party
Thu 18th July 2019, 2:00pm	Year 6 Collective Worship
Fri 19th July 2019	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm

Autumn Term 2019

Mon 2nd September 2019	INSET Day
Tue 3rd September 2019	Term Starts
Mon 28th October 2019 - Fri 1st November 2019	Half Term Holiday
Fri 29th November 2019	Occasional Day
Fri 20th December 2019	End of Term – School closes at 1.30pm

For more information and to view letters about upcoming events please visit the school website www.bishopwood.herts.sch.uk

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