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Mr G Stanley, Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Events

A huge number of excellent events have been taking place in school recently. These include: Yoga, bike maintenance talks, cricket tournaments, sports day, spelling bee, Bishop Wood Bake Off, offsite visits, art exhibitions to name a few. Many of the events lie outside of the statutory curriculum and only happen because of the dedication and good will of the Bishop Wood staff team. We all lead busy lives and sometimes it is easy to forget the extra mile which people go to for the children. I am recording, here, a huge thank you to the Bishop Wood team. I know that the staff would love to hear from you too!

Sports Day

Despite earlier reports of 29 degree sunshine, Bishop Wood School braved somewhat arctic conditions for their annual Sports Day. Mrs Sharman happily reports that the weather led to her 'selling quite a few cups of tea!' Tring School pupils manned a range of activities enthusiastically and were great role models for our pupils. Year 6 and Year 5 team captains guided their teams around the field, competed against other teams and collected points at each activity. These points were quickly added up and overall winners were announced as we all warmed up in the hall - these results can be seen below. Overall points have now been collated and the winning house will be announced in celebration assembly next week. Thank you to everyone who helped set up, pack away and cheer us on!

Sports Day Results:

1st Place – Elin D, Max B, Zach F, Laura D and Josh R – Representing Mars

2nd Place – Sophie J, Isaac J, Tom O and Ava M – Representing Jupiter

Joint 3rd Place – Barnaby H, Lola S, Laura S, Greta H – Representing Venus

Joint 3rd Place – Joshua J, Gabi H, Boyd M, Lucy B – Representing Venus

House Games

This week Years 5 & 6 took part in hockey. The results were: 1st Venus, 2nd Saturn, 3rd Jupiter and 4th Mars.

Year 5 Worship

Many thanks to Year 5 for leading our worship this week. They packed the session with lots of information on what they have been learning this year. Well done!

Curriculum Development

So far we have had 27 responses to our survey. It is still open so please give us your thoughts...

[Curriculum Survey](#)

Year 2

This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming the Year 2 children from Goldfield over for a morning of activities. The children were paired off with a buddy in Year 3 and went round a carousel of activities. They stayed and had lunch with us too. The Year 2 children were delightful and have made an excellent first impression. We are all really looking forward to September!

Spelling Bee

Yesterday, the Tring Schools Grand Final took place. Albert P, Emilia S, Amira P and Livia V all went up to Tring School with Mrs Clark to take part. It was a hard fought afternoon but Bishop Wood pupils performed amazingly. Albert, Emilia and Livia came 1st in their year groups and Amira came 2nd in her year group. Overall, Bishop Wood came out as clear winners. Well done to all involved!



Cricket Tournament

Thursday was the last event in this year's Primary Schools Festival run by Tring School. The event was an all day cricket tournament at Tring Park Cricket Club for children in years 5&6. Bishop Wood took 2 teams. There were 10 teams entered in the tournament. There were 2 groups of 5 teams and the 2 Bishop Wood teams were placed in different groups. Each team played all teams in their group and depending on where they finished, teams had a fifth game to determine where they were placed overall.

Bishop Wood A were in a group with Grove B, Grove D, Long Marston A and Albury B. We won all 4 of our group games comfortably which set us up for a finals match against Grove A to decide who got gold and who got silver. We knew this would be a tough game, but all the team had a fantastic attitude and all tried their very best. We were beaten in the final by the better team, but all the players were really proud of their silver medal for coming second in a tournament with some tough opposition. Well done to all the Bishop Wood cricketers involved.

An inexperienced Bishop Wood B squad performed very creditably. In their group games, an exciting tie against Grove C was followed by wins v Long Marston B and Aldbury A. They were then defeated by Grove A. This record qualified them for the 3rd/4th place play off, where they were beaten by Grove B. The team enjoyed their day in the sun and were well led by Oliver F.

Bins!

Sally Spriggs is looking at improving the bin situation around school. We are hoping to have more bins and also bins to separate out recycling as we look to be more eco-friendly. One issue we have had recently is squirrels raiding our bins and pulling out all manner of items including soiled nappies. If you are using our site and have any offensive waste, please let us know as we have specific bins for such items. Many thanks.

Landscapes of Tring - Art Exhibition

Bishop Wood is hosting an art exhibition on Saturday 29th June (10.30am – 2.30pm). 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.

DPO Visit

We had another visit from our Data Protection Officer this week and are still fully compliant. Thank you as you bear with us in the tangle of GDPR laws and statutes!

Tring School

We are really grateful to Tring School this week as they have supported us in many ways. As you will have already read, they hosted the Spelling Bee. We also had a large contingent of Year 10s who came and supported our Sports Day. They were invaluable at helping the morning run so smoothly. We were also very fortunate to have Miss Hicks from their music department come along and teach a lesson with Year 6. Thanks so much Tring School!

Around School

Year 3 were cocktail making on Monday as part of Maths Day. They have also been studying The Tunnel by Anthony Browne as part of their work on adventure stories. Year 4 also threw themselves into Maths Day with 4DR creating geometric art and 4H seeing if Noah's Ark would fit on our school field. Mr Hall is pleased to report that it would just about fit! Year 5 visited Tring School to initiate their workshadowing project and represented our school impeccably. Year 6 were treated to a singing lesson from Miss Hicks (Tring School Music Department).

Bishop Wood Bake Off

The Bishop Wood Bake Off took place today! Cakes were judged this morning in the various categories. The judging panel was made up of: School Council, Mayor Ransley, Sarah Murray (Beechwood), Mr Stanley and Mrs Baker and Mrs Cole from the Buddies. Well done to all who entered. Winners will be announced in due course!

Important Dates

Summer Term 2019

Sat 29th June 2019, 10:30am - 2:30pm	Arts Society – Local art project exhibition
Sat 29th June 2019, 11:20am - 12:00pm	Tring Carnival
Mon 1st July 2019 - Wed 3rd July 2019	4H – Woodrow High House
Thu 4th July 2019	Year 5 Trip to College Lake
Thu 4th July 2019, 3:30pm - 4:00pm	Buddies Second Hand Uniform Sale
Fri 5th July 2019	Swimming – Years 3 & 5
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, 2:15pm	Wizard of Oz – Drama Club production
Fri 12th July 2019, 6:00pm - 11:00pm	Buddies 'Moving On Up' BBQ & Disco
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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