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Spirituality at Bishop Wood

Mrs Ing has been doing some excellent work in school this year around our approach to spirituality as a Church of England school. At Bishop Wood, we nurture spirituality as the search for meaning, purpose, and connection, encouraging children to explore values and beliefs in a safe, inclusive environment. Through reflection, mindfulness, and collective worship, we foster empathy, self-awareness, and respect for all faiths and worldviews. Our curriculum and daily life offer opportunities for awe, wonder, creativity, and personal growth, helping pupils develop into thoughtful, well-rounded individuals. Look out for the 'Wows, Ows, Nows and Hows' that we will be introducing in the new school year!

Upcoming Parent Governor Role - September

We will have a vacancy for a parent governor from September, as Di Ivory will be moving to a Foundation Governor role. This is a valuable opportunity for a parent to join our governing body, helping to support the school's vision and contribute to important decisions about its future. Further details on how to apply will be shared soon.

Year 6 Production

Congratulations to our Year 6 pupils for their fantastic end of Key Stage leavers' production. Your hard work, talent, and enthusiasm shone through on stage, making it a truly memorable performance for everyone. Well done to all involved!

Active Travel Survey

Last week in the morning, the active travel ambassadors did a survey at the Christchurch Road end of the school. They were counting how many cars dropped children off close to the school gates, how many cars were idling, and the volume of traffic going past the school.

Their results showed that only 13 cars dropped off near to the school and only 2 were idling (less than this time last year). This confirms that we continue to have an excellent percentage of active travellers! 50 cars passed the school gates in this time. It is a busy road, so we are very grateful for our wonderful crossing patrol who does an essential job. Thank you very much to our Active Travel Ambassadors, who have done an excellent job this year.

Mrs Reeve

Year 6 Visit to Tring School Art Department

On Monday of this week, a group of pupils from Year 6 took a trip up to Tring School to visit the Art Department. We were invited by Tring's Head of Art to take part in a learning experience facilitated by some of their talented Year 12 art students. Our pupils were given a tutorial in how to use perspective in drawing. It took this aspect of art a step further than they had tried in Year 5 and due to their attentive listening skills, every one of them succeeded in producing a drawing of which they could be proud. Our pupils commented, 'The trip was really good, the Year 12s made the activity really fun, and the art room was great – we loved it!'. Year 6 were great ambassadors for Bishop Wood and were the best version of themselves!

Mrs Sharman and Mrs Titley

Meet the Teacher – Next Academic Year

Our ever popular 'Meet the Teacher' sessions will be taking place again in the Autumn Term on the following dates:

Friday 12th September – Year 6 Friday 19th September – Year 5 Friday 26th September – Year 4 Friday 3rd October – Year 3

These meetings will start at 9.15 and last no longer than an hour.

Celebration



Congratulations to the following pupils who were celebrated in school this week for being the best version of themselves:

3I – Louis T and Phoebe C 3S - Freddie B and James A 4A – Samuel S and Gabriel F 4PS – Leo KW and Seb NV 5DR – Arthur B and Maria P 5H – Max S and Ines A 6C – Amelia L and Ernie G 6M – Ava A and Liam R Other Honours Pom Poms – 31 Lunchtime Leader Awards – Esme P and Holly C Out to Learn - Daniel W and Charlie S Y3 Maths Challenge – Theo Z, Seth B, Arthur S, Henry S, Francesca L, Nancy C, James H and Luca T Lily V – Gymnastics Lily V, Winnie M and Genie B – Football Joshua R – Guitar Grade 1 Cami C, Annabel S and Isobel HW – Netball Olivia W – Gymnastics Tilly S and Evie W – LAMDA Felix M – Zip Line Riley E - Cricket

Useful Reminders

<u>Collective Worships</u> Friday 18th July – End of Term Collective Worship – School Field at 11.45

Diary Dates

Please find below a list of key dates for the Summer Term. We will add to this as we progress through the school year. New dates will be highlighted.

| Date | Event |
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| Friday 18 th July at 11.45 | End of Term Worship – School Field |

Thank you and best wishes Mr Stanley