



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **Black History Month**

As with every year we will be celebrating Black History Month this October. Many aspects will be covered in lessons and collective worship but the following is an outline of what each year group will be focussing on in depth:

Year 3 – Floella Benjamin ‘Coming to England’ and Rosa Parks

Year 4 – ‘Celebrating Our Sisters’ – history of black women

Year 5 - Katherine Johnson and Maggie Aderin-Pocock (linked to space topic) Marcus Rashford and Ruby Bridges.

Year 6 – The Windrush, The Empire and its links to slavery and inspirational quotes from a diverse group of people.

### **Year 3 – Chiltern Open Air Museum**

On Tuesday, Year 3 enjoyed their visit to Chiltern Open Air Museum. Through exciting and engaging workshops, they explored the Mesolithic Period of the Stone Age. The children experienced fire making, spear throwing, cave drawing, shelter making and even made their own spears in a safe environment.

### **Spelling Bee**

On the afternoon of Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, Tring School held a Spelling Bee for all local primary schools. After running heats at Bishop Wood, four of our children attended the Spelling Bee: Anwen (Y6) Wilf (Y5) Fin T (Y4) and Arlo (Y3). We left school at lunch time. The children were nervous but excited too. We arrived at Tring School and were taken to Desborough Hall, where we met the other schools and parents. The atmosphere was tense as each child took part in saying spellings out loud to the rest of the audience. At the end all the winners were announced – Anwen, Wilf, Fin and Arlo all received first place! They received certificates and we have a trophy in which takes pride of place in the library.

### **Tesco Token Reminder**

We are now up and running in the local Tesco stores. Please convince everyone you know to put their blue token in the Bishop Wood slot!

### **Premier Holiday Camps**

We are very pleased to have Premier Education running holiday camps at Bishop Wood during the school holidays. Details on costing and how to book can be found on our website here.

### **Behaviour for Learning Champions!**

Congratulations to the following children who were the Behaviour for Learning Champions last week!

6C – Charlotte B and Finn D

6M - Anwen R and Evie T

5H - Mila H, Mia D

5DR - Eli W and Emilija G

4H - Georgie J and Maria P

4A - Euan OB and Elle B

3I - Paisley P, Joshua R

3S – Tilly S, Beau B

### **Celebration**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3I – Maddie J and Bethany C

3S – Mack E and Jay H

4A – Theo C and Edison R

4H – Jonathan G and Billy K

5DR – Lucy C and Pearl B

5H – Millie G and Tia-Rose S

6C – Poppy W and Lucas K

6M – Alba S and Ava S



### *Other Honours*

Seb B, Elijah B, Sophie M, Charlie L and Annabel S – Pen Licences

Elle B – Ready Set Read

Alex D – 2<sup>nd</sup> 50m Breaststroke

Astrid G – Gymnast of the week

### **Around School**

Year 3 have really enjoyed comparing and ordering numbers in Maths. Year 4 have been busy learning about Diwali in RE. Year 5 have been researching the archaeological dig at Sutton Hoo and Year 6 have been using French verbs to write sentences. Next week, Year 3 will start their work on Floella Benjamin. Year 4 will be looking at the Egyptian Pyramids. Year 5 are focussing on the amazing Katherine Johnson and Year 6 are looking at beat and syncopation through song and body percussion!

### **Bishop Wood Fantasy Football**

We have a Bishop Wood Fantasy Football league which is open to current and past pupils/parents and staff members. We forgot to send the details out during the summer break but are more than happy for those already playing to join the league. It should bring over your existing points. The league PIN is: vcn4hc

### **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. New dates will be highlighted.

Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	2pm – Harvest Festival in St Peter & St Paul Church (details to follow)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Fun, Fit & Fruity Week (details to follow)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	SEN/PPG Parent Meetings during the week (details to follow)
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Come Dine with Year 3 – 3I</b>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 - Weighing & Measuring (Letter sent 8 <sup>th</sup> September)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening (details to follow)
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Come Dine with Year 3 – 3S</b>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening (details to follow)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 – Anglo Saxon Day (details to follow)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	2pm – Music Celebration (details to follow)
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Occasional Day (school closed)
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas Lunch Day!</b>
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Nativity – Evening Performance in St Peter & St Paul Church (Details to follow)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am – Christmas Service in St Peter & St Paul Church (Details to follow)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm – School closes for Christmas

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley