



Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

Frogmore Street
Tring
HP23 5AU

Tel: 01442 822024

admin@bishopwood.herts.sch.uk
www.bishopwood.herts.sch.uk
Instagram: [@bishopwoodtring](https://www.instagram.com/bishopwoodtring)

Mr G Stanley, Headteacher

Friday 10th October 2025

Harvest Festival Celebration

Our recent Harvest Festival was a joyful celebration of our school vision '*to be the best version of ourselves, enjoying life in all its fullness*'. Inspired by John 10:10, pupils led a thoughtful service that reflected our core Christian values of Wisdom, Hope, Community, and Dignity. Together, we supported two important causes: DENS, which helps rebuild lives for people facing homelessness and hardship in Dacorum, and the Bishop of St Alban's Harvest Appeal, run in partnership with Mission Direct to improve access to education in under-resourced communities around the world. Through generous donations of food and support, our school community once again showed compassion, dignity, and a deep commitment to helping others flourish.

Governor Update

I recently contacted you to advertise a vacancy for a Parent Governor here at Bishop Wood. We were delighted to have two parents come forward for the role — Mr Matthew Best and Mr Sam Shelton. Following discussions involving the Chair of Governors and the Chairs of the two sub-committees, we have decided to appoint Mr Shelton as the Parent Governor and Mr Best as the Local Authority Governor. We are able to do this as we had an additional vacancy, and both applicants bring skills that will add great value to our Governing Body. This decision will be formally ratified at the next full Governing Body meeting later this month.

Important Safeguarding Notice – Andy Cope Books

We want to make parents aware of a recent safeguarding alert regarding certain children's books authored by Andy Cope, including titles from the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats, and Spy Pup series. These books contain a link intended to direct children to the author's website for additional story content. Unfortunately, the domain is no longer owned by Mr. Cope and now leads to a third-party site publishing inappropriate material.

Please be reassured that we have thoroughly reviewed our library and classroom collections to ensure that none of these titles are currently available to pupils. We encourage parents to check at home and speak with their children about the importance of asking an adult before following any links found in books.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our children safe.

Christmas Cards

Congratulations to Arthur R who was the winner of the Christmas Card design competition. His design will be used as the school Christmas card this year. Every child has designed a card and these will be available for parents to purchase. Keep an eye out for further details!

Worship for All

Members of our amazing school choir will be performing at the Harvest Service in St Peter and St Paul on Sunday morning. They will also be helping to lead part of the service. As the name suggests, all are welcome at this service. Please do come along and join us! 10.00am on Sunday 12th.

Buying and Selling

Please be aware that we do not permit pupils to bring items to school to buy and sell unless it is part of a school organised fundraising event. Thank you.

Celebration

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



He came so that we can '*be the best version of ourselves, enjoying life in all its fullness.*'



3PS – Caleb E and Hazel M
3S – Eve B and Theo H
4A – Jessica J and Arthur S
4C – JJ I and George J
5DR – Esther H and George W
5M – Felicity M and Aalaa F
6H – Holly T and Magnus M
6I – Christopher G and Arthur J

Pom Poms: 3S

Lunchtime Leader Awards: Theo H, Rafi SG and Dylan P

Outside Honours

Alex D, Ellis M and Aoife C – Swimming

Alex D, Billy M and JJ I – Rugby

Lily V, Gabriella RB and Anthony W - Gymnastics

Around School

It has been another great week in school. Here is a taste of what the children have been doing this week and are looking forward to next week.

This Week

Year 4 have enjoyed learning about trade in Ancient Greece. Year 5 have enjoyed their tag rugby lessons with Coach Lee. Year 6 have been busy mapping public transport options in Tring.

Next Week

Year 4 are looking forward to practicing subtraction using manipulatives. Year 5 are looking forward to using a formal written method for addition and subtraction. Year 6 will be printing designs inspired by William Morris in Art.

Reminders/Notices

Parent Reps – Year 3

We are still looking for volunteers to be the Class Representative for 3PS and 3S. The Class Rep meetings are really great!

If you would like to volunteer, please email admin@bishopwood.herts.sch.uk stating your name and your child's class.

Lunchtime Leader Vacancy

We are looking for an energetic and enthusiastic person to join our amazing team and help make lunchtimes fun and enjoyable for the children. The role doesn't have to be every day of the week – we can be flexible. If you're interested, please get in touch with Debs at admin@bishopwood.herts.sch.uk

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.

Date	Event
Wednesday 15 th October	Come Dine with 3PS
20 th – 24 th October	Fun, Fit and Fruity Week
Wednesday 22 nd October	Come Dine with 3S
27 th – 31 st October	Half Term
Wednesday 5 th November	Y5 Anglo Saxon Day
Friday 7 th November	Year 4 Greek Day
Sunday 9 th November	Remembrance Sunday
Monday 10 th November	Parent Consultations 4-7pm
Wednesday 12 th November	Parent Consultations 4-7pm

Friday 14 th November	Buddies Disco
Wednesday 26 th November	Buddies Wreath Making Evening
Thursday 27 th November	Nasal Flu Vaccination Mop Up
Friday 28 th November	Occasional Day – School Closed!
Monday 1 st December	Reverse Advent Calendar Begins (Details to follow!)
Wednesday 3 rd December	Year 6 Victorian Day
Friday 5 th December	Buddies Christmas Fayre
Monday 15 th December	Afternoon and Evening Christmas Services at St P and P
Tuesday 16 th December	Christmas Golden Time
Wednesday 17 th December	Pupil Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18 th December	End of Term Service at St P and P 11.30am
15 th – 19 th December	Christmas Jumper Week
Friday 19 th December	School closes at 1.30pm

Thank you and best wishes
Mr Stanley