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Fun, Fit and Fruity Week

Next week is our amazing 'Fun, Fit and Fruity Week' which is always a highlight of the school year. The children will be taking part in a variety of activities from Zumba to visiting local churches. Please send your children to school in PE kit Monday to Thursday and in bright clothing on Friday for 'Be Bright Be Seen Day'. Please note that school staff helping at events may also be in PE kit, normal clothes or bright clothes!

Apple Parade

Well done to all those Bishop Wooders (25 children from across the school) who joined Mrs Reeve and Mrs McGhee for the Apple Parade this year. Congratulations to Grove Road for winning the scarecrow competition!

Wellies!

As we move into the Autumn/Winter season, we'll be making our usual changes to break and lunchtime arrangements. Children who bring in a pair of wellies will be able to enjoy the full use of the school grounds during these times — including the field, Wildwood area, and hard surfaces. Those who choose to wear trainers instead will be asked to remain on the hard surfaces only.

Black History Month

October is Black History Month and we always enjoy giving this a focus at Bishop Wood. Wherever possible, we make it link to other topics being covered in subjects. This year we will be looking at the following influential figures in school:

Year 3 – Floella Benjamin and Laurie Cunningham

Year 4 – Marcus Rashford and Betty Campbell

Year 5 – Katherine Johnson and Ruby Bridges

Year 6 – Mary Seacole and Pablo Fanque

Parents' Evening

Parents' Consultations are taking place after half term (see dates section below). Debs has put together a fantastic letter which will guide you through the booking process. Please read it carefully and follow the instructions fully. The letter is set to go out to all parents at 5pm today and booking opens at 5pm on Sunday 19th October. Please be aware that all consultations are face to face this year. If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Good luck!

Author Visit

Next Thursday, the multi-award-winning bestselling author, Hannah Gold, is coming to our school to talk about her amazing new book **The Lone Husky**. Hannah's first book The Last Bear was Blue Peter Children's Book of the Year and Waterstones Children's Book of the Year, and since then she has written The Lost Whale, Finding Bear and Turtle Moon.

Parents, you can order her book from Our Bookshop by clicking [here](#).

Worship for All

Well done to all those children who led part of the service and sang at St Peter and St Paul on Sunday. It was great to see our pupils out in the community contributing. We are also grateful to the parents who came along to support them!

Around School



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



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 3 have really enjoyed learning about miracles in RE. Year 4 enjoyed investigating environmental changes that pose a danger to things. Year 5 have enjoyed working on their science fiction stories and are planning to finish them next week. Year 6 have enjoyed planning magazine articles encouraging people to move to the countryside during Victorian times.

Next Week

Year 3 are looking forward to their Electric Umbrella Workshop. Year 4 are excited about visiting Tring's Methodist Church. As part of Fun Fit and Fruity Week, Year 5 are looking forward to baking a muffin and creating their own box to bring it home in. Year 6 are looking forward to teaching the Year 3 children about Road Safety.

Reminders/Notices

Parent Reps – Year 3

Thank you to Mrs Bartlett who has agreed to be the rep for 3S. We are still looking for a volunteer to be the Class Representative for 3PS.

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

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
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 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