



## Bishop Wood C of E Junior School

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### **Happy Half Term!**

It has been a very long half term (7 weeks and 2 days!) and everyone deserves a period of time to rest and recharge. It has been an eventful half term but it has also been lovely to see the school functioning much more normally. We are all extremely proud of how well the children have coped with yet more change.

### **Fun Fit and Fruity Week**

As usual, children and staff alike have thrown themselves into Fun Fit and Fruity Week!

Well over a 100 children have taken part in activities before school. A special mention must go to Year 3 who, despite experiencing torrential rain, had smiles on their faces! They had an early breakfast and carried on with their activities when blue sky appeared.

We have had various visitors from our local community, including Pauline for Tring Yoga, Tim from Tring Tennis Club, George and Tom, local fitness trainers, Sandra Bunda, Irish dancing teacher (and parent!), Emma, a local clarinet player and Vicky, a bee expert from the Justice and Peace Group, all sharing their expertise in a memorable way.

Year 5 reflected on the school values at St Peter and St. Paul Church, with the help of Reverend Sarah and the wonderful Electric Umbrella treated us to an online session instead of coming into school, which we all loved! Unfortunately, some activities had to be postponed due to the weather and Covid, but these will all be rescheduled soon.

Thank you for everyone's efforts and enthusiasm and thank you parents for remembering things on the right day! Thanks too to Mrs Miller and Mrs Hughes for cooking apple pinwheels with year 3.

Mrs Reeve

### **Show Racism the Red Card**

On Wednesday the whole school really enjoyed dressing in red to raise money for Show Racism the Red Card. All classes took part in informative and engaging activities, discussing what racism is and how we can work together to tackle it. Great work, Bishop Wood!

Mrs Tierney

### **Cross Country Season**

The cross country season is upon us. Please check your emails for information regarding a running club with Mr Hall and Mrs Reeve as well as an invite to a race at Bridgewater on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We are keen to put out a really big team.

### **More Cricket Success**

Congratulations to Isaac J, Dom H, Olly WJ, Cedd C and Noah A who were successful in their area cricket trials. They now start the winter training programme in preparation for matches next summer. We look forward to hearing more about it.

### **Football vs Long Marston**

Bishop Wood FC were back in action on Tuesday night for the first time in over a year and a half. Our 'B' team played host to Long Marston. A lively first half performance saw us 5-0 up at half time. A more even second period saw a final score of 7-2. Joel W and Raffey HP both scored hat tricks with Louie W adding another. Man of the match was goalkeeper Josh R who made a number of very brave saves.

Mr Hall

### **Celebration**

This week we celebrated the following pupils in school:

3R – Evelyn C and Ralph F for writing an excellent adventure story with exciting vocabulary.



3F – Wills H for fantastic engagement in all lessons especially ukulele and Emilija G for perseverance and a great attitude to learning.

4H – Marcelina O and Noah C-W for great poetry writing.

4T - Lauren W for the fantastic similes she used in her poem and Theo K for his thoughtful review of 'Football Mad' by Benjamin Zephaniah.

5DR – Luca H for super evasive skills and non-stop enthusiasm in tag rugby and Lane R for detailed thoughtful work on Yom Kippur.

5C – Isaac M for a detailed and interesting Climate Change project and Riley N for a good start to his Climate Change booklet.

6M – Maya K and Olivia C for super fruit pop art paintings.

6I – Lily G for effort and perseverance with her art work and Annie C for showing great enthusiasm in music lessons.

*Other/Outside Honours*

*Pen licenses: Alba S*

*Bronze award - Millie G*

*Hettie J - success in trials to play netball for Bucks*

### **Around School**

Year 3 have looked at Marcus Rashford and all of his achievements and efforts to affect social change at the young age of 22. Year 4 have carried out some work on Black History Month and Show Racism the Red Card. They have looked at the works of Benjamin Zephaniah and also role played how to react if you witness racism. Year 5 had a lovely session in the church with Rev Sarah. They spent time reflecting on the key values. Year 6 have completed some observational drawing of fruit and have then turned it into pop art.

### **Fantasy Football**

Andrew L tops the league with a total score of 540 points. He is in the clear of second and third. The leading pupil is Charlie C (494pts) and the leading staff member is Debs (442pts). Is anyone going to be brave enough to drop the misfiring Ronaldo this week?

### **Children In Need**

Mrs Tierney is busy planning Children in Need activities for Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November. More details to follow in due course.

### **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. (updates are highlighted in yellow)

Week Beginning 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' Consultation Meetings (TBC)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need (details to follow)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November at 2pm	Music Celebration
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	School closed – Occasional Day
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	School closed – INSET Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School trip to the Panto!
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Pupil Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December at 9.30	Whole school Collective Worship at St Peter and St Paul
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	School closes at 1.30pm

Thank you and best wishes

Mr Stanley