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Happy Half Term!

As we come to the end of another busy, successful and long half term, I would like to extend my thanks to all our parents and carers for your continued support and engagement with the school. Your involvement makes such a difference whether through attending events, supporting learning at home, or simply encouraging your children each day. It has been a wonderful half term filled with achievements, growth, and community spirit. I wish everyone a restful and happy half term break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back refreshed and ready for the exciting weeks ahead.

New Lunch Menu

A new HCL menu has been placed on the <u>website</u>. You will all rejoice that roast Wednesday and pizza Friday have returned! There are now five options available each day. The new 5th option is a pasta meal and is pink on the menu. Happy choosing!

Fun Fit and Fruity Week

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone various activities due to the weather, but we have still seen a huge number of bikes and scooters around. Well done to Robyn in Year 3 for winning the 'Bling your Scooter' competition, and Alice in Year 5 for blinging her bike so wonderfully. Please see the photos on Instagram!

Thank you for encouraging your children to walk, cycle scoot or park and stride this week. The results are in, and as ever, we have very high percentage from every class. This term's winners, with 96% travelling actively, are 6H. They will be having 10 minutes extra play and will look after Toby the travel teddy until the next active travel spot check!

If your child has been filling in a rainbow for the ATA competition, please can they bring it back the first Monday of next half term.

Mrs Reeve

Exciting Cheer & Dance Clubs at Bishop Wood!

After a fantastic Fit, Fun & Fruity Week, children at Bishop Wood School are buzzing about joining our cheerleading and brand-new dance clubs next term! Cheerleading will run at lunchtimes and includes stunts, teamwork, and pom-pom fun, while the new dance club explores street dance, musical theatre, and more. Both clubs build confidence and coordination—and best of all, children can try a session completely free! Enjoy a 5% sibling discount with code SIBLINGS at checkout!

Book Cheer here
Book Dance here

Sapphire Boufounos
Cheer and Dance

Come Dine with Year 3s

A big thank you to all our Year 3 parents who joined us for Come Dine with 3S this week. It was a real pleasure to have you with us as part of our ongoing transition work, and we hope you enjoyed seeing firsthand how happy and settled the children are in their new routines, as well as sharing a lovely lunch together!

Around School

It has been another great week in school. Here is a taste of what the children have been doing this week.







Year 3 have really enjoyed creating our fruity faces in Art. Year 5 particularly enjoyed baking muffins as well as creating and decorating a net of a cube (a box), to take their muffins home in. Year 6 have enjoyed publishing persuasive magazine articles about moving to Metroland.

Celebration

This week's newsletter went to press before celebration assembly this week. Therefore, we will have a bumper Celebration section after half term.

Reminders/Notices

Wellies!

As we move into the Autumn/Winter season, children with wellies can enjoy all outdoor areas during breaks, while those in trainers will need to stay on the hard surfaces.

Parents' Evening

Parents' Consultations will take place after half term, with full details and booking instructions in Debs' letter — please read it carefully, note that all meetings are face to face, and contact us if you need any help.

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
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