



THE BISHOPSWOOD SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are now well into what is, incredibly, the final half-term of the academic year. This year has gone so quickly – it seems hard to believe that in just 6 weeks' time, our Year 6 pupils will have left, and we will be getting ready to welcome our newest Year R children in September, who have already had their first visit to school!

However, before the end of year, there are still lots of exciting things planned in school and beyond, including school trips, Sports' Day and wonderful end-of-year productions by Years 2 and 6. I can't wait to see them!

Ofsted

As you will undoubtedly be aware, the Infant School was inspected by Ofsted last week. It will not surprise you to hear that all our pupils and staff were an absolute credit to the school and we are very proud of them all. Thank you to everyone who completed the Parent View survey too as part of the process – your views were invaluable. We do not have a specific timeline for when the inspection report will be published, but it will be several weeks before it is available to share with you. Thank you for your patience!

Cultural Diversity Day

On Thursday 4th June, both the Infant and Junior Schools came together to celebrate Cultural Diversity Day. Children across both schools explored a wide range of cultures, with each class choosing a different one from the world community to learn about in depth. The day was filled with creativity as the children produced colourful artwork, carefully designed flags, and a variety of exciting projects that reflected their chosen cultures. From music and dance, to traditional stories and crafts, the activities helped bring each culture to life, encouraging curiosity, respect, and appreciation for the diverse world around them.

It was a wonderful opportunity for the whole school community to celebrate differences and learn from one another in a fun and meaningful way. Many children came to school on this day wearing the traditional clothing from their own culture.

Everyone enjoyed it so much that the Infant and Junior Inclusion teams are now planning our next Diversity Day!



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Theatre Group Production – The Secret Garden

On Friday 12th June, pupils in KS2 were lucky enough to enjoy an adaptation in school of The Secret Garden by M&M Theatrical Productions. The children were treated to amazing acting, singing and even a flying bird! They seemed to absolutely love it, and it was wonderful to see their faces as they were watching!



Curriculum

We will continue to be regularly sharing what the children have been doing in school. Here are some examples of what has been happening at Bishopswood in the last few weeks....

Miss Russell, Mrs Hunter and Mrs Bellemere say...



In Year R we have been enjoying learning about artists, being inspired to create our own pictures, images and using the ideas from the artist Frans Marc. We also enjoyed cultural diversity day, which included making a



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whole class piece of art. We have also been practising for sports day.

Mrs Boyce, Mrs Rolph & Miss Daly say...

Year 1 have had a busy start to the last half term of the year. We came back after half term to an exciting delivery - Sunny the meerkat had come to visit! He left us the book 'Meerkat Mail' and was interested in our school grounds. We wrote him a postcard to tell him all about it. In Geography, we have been using maps and learning about hot and cold climates and investigating if a meerkat and penguin would be neighbours. In Science we have looked at different habitats and the different animals you might find in hot and cold places. In Art, we have made clay animals and explored different sculpting techniques.



Miss Wright & Miss Okey say...

Year 2 have been learning about how to stay healthy and have been investigating the importance of exercise. We did some different exercises and measured what this did to our bodies. In English we have been looking at the story 'The Bear and the Piano'. We have been practising using contractions and wrote a letter to the bear to try and persuade him to go to the city. We have also started to practise our leavers' assembly and are very excited to show you this soon!

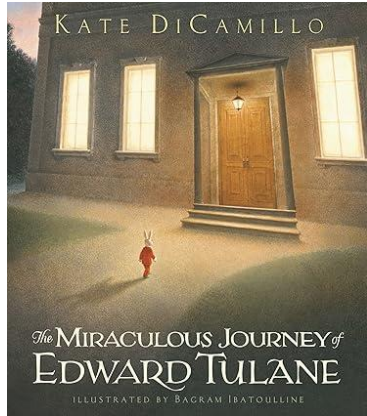




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Mr Dale & Mrs Lamb say

Year 3 have had a great start to the term learning all about staying healthy. We have been learning about the five food groups and the different foods within them. We have also learnt about the different teeth we have and the job they do when we are eating. In writing, we have been creating a story based on the book Edward Tulane. We have designed our own bear and have written an adventure story using exciting vocabulary, as well as conjunctions, verbs and adverbs. Last week, we also enjoyed our cultural diversity day. We learnt and did lots of exciting activities about France and the Gypsy Roma Traveller community. The children were all really engaged and had so much fun!



Year 4 have had a busy week. A year's worth of hard work has culminated in us completing the MTC (multiplication tables check). It has been a busy year reading ourselves for this government check. However, the children have worked their socks off and we look forward to sharing their results with you when we have them returned to us in a few weeks' time. In contrast to the serious work of the MTC, we had an incredible amount of fun during the schools' Cultural Diversity Day. As a year group we celebrated, researched and learned

Miss Price and Mr Mahony say ...

Year 5 have had a great start to the term, diving into their new topic all about the Ancient Greeks. In English lessons, the children have been reading extracts Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief, and Who Let the Gods Out? by Maz Evans. They are now preparing to create their own god of goddess, inspired by the Ancient Greeks, to write their own non-chronological reports about. Last week, they also celebrated Cultural Diversity Day in style, learning about Africa and Zimbabwe in Coelho Class and South Korea in Rundell Class. The children are very excited to looking at micro-bits on the Ipads for our computing lessons too.



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about India, Lithuania and Croatia. We especially enjoyed the Indian dancing in the afternoon. Feel free to ask your children for a show to see what they can remember! We all came in the next day wanting to continue learning more about these countries' cultures. From flags to food, art to dance we loved it all!

Mr Morris, Miss Feather & Mr Sargeant say...

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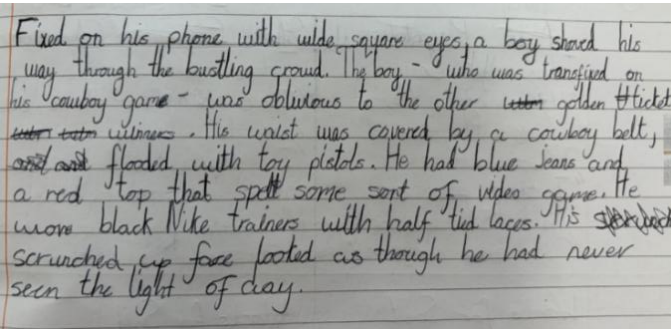


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countries and of British cities and even counties in the afternoons!



VACANCY: Lunchtime Assistant

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime assistant. If you are interested in applying for this term-time position, or would like to find out more, please contact the school office.



Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Jo Armes
Head of School

Sporting Competitions

On Wednesday 10th June our boys cricket team went to Mays Bounty in Basingstoke to compete in cricket competition. They did a brilliant job and came 6th overall.

Parking Reminder

As a reminder, parents are not permitted to park on the zig-zags, or double yellow lines outside school, including at the end of the car park near the Infant School gates.



Please do not park in a designated blue badge/disabled parking space unless you have a badge on display, or you may be asked to move your car.

Additionally, parents are not permitted to use the inner school car park at all, including for before and after school clubs.

Thank you for helping to keep our school site safe.

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Dates for Your Diary

15th June – New EYFS Parents’ afternoon session

16th June – Y5/6 Girls’ Cricket Tournament

16th June – YR Trip to Finkley Down Farm

16th June – World Cup lunch

17th June – Sports Day (Infants am, Juniors pm)

18th June – Newbury Weekly News Y6 photo

23rd June – Anvil concert 7pm

24th June – Reserve Sports Day

24th June – Anvil concert 7pm

26th June – Move up morning

1st July – Y2 to Y3 Parents’ Transition Information
Evening – 6-7pm

1st July – Y2 Trip to Four Kingdoms

3rd July – Y1 Trip to Marwell

6th July – Move up morning

7th July – New EYFS Parents’ Afternoon Session

9th July – Meet the Teacher in new KS1/KS2
classroom – 3.45-4.15pm (NB not new EYFS).

13th July – Y2 Leavers’ Assembly – 2.15pm

13th & 15th July – Y6 Play – 6pm

14th July – RockSteady concert

15th July – End of Year Reports sent home

16th July – Y2 Picnic with parents

20th July – Y6 Trip to Paulton’s Park

21st July – LAST DAY OF ACADEMIC YEAR!

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Gold membership is available for all families. It is £7.50 per person per year which gives you access to a year's timetable of activities at up to 50% off and then our charity funds the difference.

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Spotlight UK's Ray of Hope Membership is for children and families on Free school meals and children with a parent/carer in the armed forces or emergency services. It is £2.50 per person per year to register which gives you access to a year's timetable of activities at discounted prices and then our charity funds the difference.

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Spotlight UK's Scarlett's Smiles Membership is free and gives you access to a year's timetable of free and discounted activities and then our charity funds the difference

Criteria.....
Children in care, Young Carers, Children affected by loss, Children with disabilities, Families affected by Domestic abuse, Children with terminal illness, children who have a parent/carer with disabilities

Go to book.spotlightuk.org to register

CAN YOU HOST A SCARECROW?

Tadley and Baughurst Scarecrow Trail

8th - 23rd AUGUST

- Host a scarecrow at your home, business or garden!
- Join our wonderful community trail
- Create, display and inspire!

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**3K/5K/10K WALK/RUN/CYCLE/HOP
/SKIP YOUR WAY AROUND
BLACKBUSHE RUNWAY**

Saturday 12th Sept 5.15pm

Spotlight UK are looking for people who would be interested in taking part in this year's Twilight Challenge at Blackbushe Airport to help raise funds to support Armed Forces and their families, young carers, Children in care, children with mental health issues, children affected by loss and separation and children with long term medical illness/terminal illness

REGISTER NOW

CALL: 07804880072 EMAIL: ADMIN@SPOTLIGHTUK.ORG

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**CYCLISTS WANTED FOR LONDON TO
BRIGHTON BIKE RIDE**

Sunday 21st June

Spotlight UK are looking for people who would be interested in cycling from London to Brighton to help raise funds to support Armed Forces and their families, young carers, Children in care, children with mental health issues, children affected by loss and separation and children with long term medical illness/terminal illness

Free entry
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ARE YOU GOING INTO
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THIS SEPTEMBER?
(CURRENT YEAR 6 PUPILS)

COME JOIN OUR TEAM!

- SUNDAY LEAGUE MATCHES**
- TUESDAY TRAINING SESSIONS**
- ALL ABILITIES WELCOME**
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS & HAVE FUN!**

INTERESTED? GET IN TOUCH TODAY!

RICHARD 07901534296
KYLE 07470779121

COME & JOIN THE FUN AT
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11AM TO 3PM
The Green,
Tadley, RG26 3PB

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Events
Bouncy castle | live music | food | craft market
games | and lots more!

For more information:
@ **stpaulstadley**



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Flu Vaccine

The NHS School Age Immunisation Service are planning the roll out of the 2026 winter flu vaccination programme to all year groups. The service offers the flu vaccine between September and December. You will receive an email, with details on how to complete the online form, for your child to receive the vaccine in school.

Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children and young people. High vaccine uptake reduces the risk of flu spreading rapidly in school settings. This helps ensure they remain well, do not miss school days and continue to learn. Vaccinating children also helps protect others who are at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu, such as babies, anyone who's pregnant and older people.

The vaccine is given as a painless nasal spray. An alternative porcine free injection is offered to those who cannot have the nasal spray.



Vaccines offered to secondary age students during the spring and summer term include:

HPV vaccine is offered to boys and girls in year 8.

This vaccine protects against different types of cancers in the future.

Meningitis ACWY (MenACWY)

Meningitis vaccine is offered in year 9. This vaccine protects against four different strains of bacteria (groups A, C, W, Y) and protects against Meningitis and Sepsis (blood poisoning).

Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (3-in-1) booster vaccine

The 3-in-1 booster vaccine is offered in year 9. This vaccine protects against serious and potentially life-threatening diseases and provides long lasting immunity against these specific conditions.

Community clinics are available during the school holidays for missed vaccinations.

Find out more about the vaccine programmes and our contact details here: [School Age Immunisation Service - Hampshire - Parents: Health for Kids](#)

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