



NEWSLETTER

BISHOPS STOPFORDS SCHOOL

JULY 24



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CELEBRATING ALL OUR WONDERFUL CULTURES IN BISHOPS

HEADTEACHERS LETTER



Dear Parents / Carers,

As we approach the end of another academic year, I would like to thank you all once again for your continued support. Events We have had some wonderful community events this year. We cherish all opportunities to bring our community together, along with our own staff and students. We have worked in partnership across the Local Authority, but particularly with our church sister schools. We have learned and we have celebrated together. Founders Day On Monday, 1st July members of staff and year 7 students celebrated Founders Day'. The Celebrant Rev Tina Kelsey, led our inclusive service, with students supporting in readings and our wonderful worship choir uplifting us with their voices. Our Preacher, Andie Frost enlightened us with his inspiring stories and staff members took part giving readings to the congregation.

Year 6 Transition Day

On Thursday, 6th July, students attended Bishop Stopford's School for their taster day. Our new year 7 students for 2023/2024 were able to experience lessons in a variety of subjects. Students were introduced to the Head of Year, middle leaders and Teaching Assistants who assisted them throughout the day, as well as our student leaders who represented our school community in a helpful, informative and caring manner. The day was very successful and we look forward to welcoming our new year 7 students in September, 2024.

School Festival

We have had some wonderful joint events with our family of primary schools, culminating in our Summer Festival on Thursday, 11th July. The Summer Festival is an annual event which provides an opportunity for us to celebrate the end of the school year along-side our local primary schools. Staff from all schools work in partnership to put on a festival that includes live music performances on our centre stage and creative activities that broaden the curriculum for all. The day allows our students to gain valuable experience of organising groups and leading by example.

Results Day for Years 11, 12 & 13

We are looking forward to results day for our year 11, 12 and 13 students. Our students have worked extremely hard this academic year. I would like to express how very proud I am of them all. A separate letter has gone out with the details of how students can obtain results, but for ease of reference, results days are outlined below.

HEADTEACHERS LETTER

Results will be available for students as follows:

- A level results, Thursday, 15th August, 2024 – collect from 8.30am.
- GCSE results, Thursday, 22nd August, 2024 – collect from 9am.

Students will be able to collect their results from school on these days, following the full guidance emailed to you in our Exam's Office letter this week. Results will also be available on the dates listed above from 12pm via My Child at School (MCAS). We are looking forward to seeing our students collecting their results, celebrating their successes and sharing with us the next steps on their educational journey.

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

The last day of term is Friday, 19th July and school will finish at 12.15pm for all students. The arrangements are as follows:

- 8.30 – 8.55 form time,
- 8.55 – 9.55 – period 1
- 9.55 – 10.55 – period 2
- 10.55 – 11.15 break
- 11.15-12.15 form time or assembly

Staggered exist as follows:

- Year 7 – 12
- Year 8 & 9 12:05
- Year 10 – 12:15

There will be an opportunity for students to collect a meal at break-time if they are eligible for free school meals, or to purchase a meal if not eligible for free school meals, should they wish to do so.

RETURN TO SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2024

We will be welcoming students back to school using a staggered approach. Student return dates by year group can be found below and details of timings will follow on the school website nearer the time:

Wednesday, 4th September

Year 7 students – arrive normal time
8.30am

Year 12 students 6th Form enrolment –
from 8.30am

Thursday, 5th September

All students from all year groups
arrive to school at the normal time

UPDATES ON THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE FOR THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

Finally, please do continue to visit the School's website for updated information with regards to summer exam results and the start of term in September 2024. In the meantime, I wish you all a peaceful and restful summer holiday.

Warmest wishes,



Mrs T Day, BA (Hons), NPQH
Headteacher

FESTIVAL



BISHOP STOPFORD'S SCHOOL FESTIVAL: A DAY TO REMEMBER!

On the 11th of July, Bishop Stopford's School came alive with excitement and joy as we hosted our annual school festival. We were thrilled to welcome primary schools from the area, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to all the students, teachers, and parents who joined us for this special day.

The festival kicked off with a plethora of engaging activities designed to bring smiles and laughter to everyone involved. Students eagerly participated in a classic game of tug of war, tested their agility on the bouncy castle, and strategized over a life-sized Connect 4. Each activity was met with enthusiasm, creating an atmosphere of camaraderie and fun.

A highlight of the day was our vibrant stage, where we had the privilege of welcoming special guests who lit up the festival with their performances. Lurine Cato, a renowned gospel singer, captivated the audience with her powerful voice and uplifting songs. Following her, we were delighted to see our ex-student Reapz, also known as Quaha, return to his roots and deliver an electrifying performance. His music resonated with the crowd, and his journey from our school to a successful music career served as an inspiration to all.

The excitement didn't end there. As the festival progressed into Period 5, the entire Bishop Stopford family joined in the festivities. The atmosphere was filled with laughter and joy as students and staff alike took part in the various activities, enjoying the day to the fullest.

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who contributed to making this festival a memorable event. Your participation and support are what make such events possible and successful. We look forward to more opportunities to come together as a community and celebrate the spirit of Bishop Stopford's School.

Thank you once again for making the 11th of July a day to remember. We hope to see you all at our next event!

FESTIVAL



CULTURE DAY



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The school canteen was transformed into a culinary journey around the world, featuring an array of delectable dishes representing various cultures. From tantalizing Asian flavours to sweet European delights, students had the opportunity to indulge their palates in a multicultural feast. Recognised as a champion of diversity by OFSTED, we hosted an enriching Culture Day for staff and students on Tuesday, May 21st. The event was a vibrant celebration of multiculturalism, showcasing our commitment to fostering understanding and appreciation of other cultures. In line with the schools dedication to diversity,

All lessons scheduled for the day were uniquely focused on selected countries and cultures, offering students an immersive learning experience that transcends borders and promotes cultural awareness. These countries and cultures included: Nigeria, Ghana, DRC, Jamaica, Korea, Japan, The Philippines, Brazil, Mexico, England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Yorkshire, Turkey and The Olympic Refugee Alliance.



Adding to the celebratory atmosphere, the school serenaded the incoming and departing crowds as the school gates opened and closed with music from around the world put together by music teacher, Mr Ayensu.

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add an authentic taste to the festivities, an esteemed local business “Afromart”, on Hertford Road, Enfield generously stepped forward to sponsor the event, providing African snacks for all the, Y7 students to relish. This gesture not only enhanced the cultural ambiance but also highlights the collaborative spirit of “Afromart” in supporting education and diversity initiatives at Bishop Stopford’s School. Thank you to diversity ambassador, Mrs Otchere who led on this collaboration and thank you “Afromart” for supplying the wonderful snacks.



CHICKEN SHED

**WE ARE
CHICKENSHED**

CHICKEN SHED

We had the privilege of welcoming Chicken Shed to our school today, where they performed a captivating showcase for the Year 7 students. Chicken Shed is an inclusive theatre company known for its innovative and engaging performances that bring together people of all abilities and backgrounds. Their mission is to create entertaining and thought-provoking theatre that inspires change and promotes inclusion.

During their visit to Bishop Stopford's School, Chicken Shed delivered an inspiring performance, demonstrating their unique approach to theatre. They showcased a blend of music, drama, and dance, leaving a lasting impression on our students. The performance not only entertained but also highlighted important themes of diversity, acceptance, and the power of community.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and we are grateful to Chicken Shed for bringing their talents and message to our school. Their visit was a memorable and enriching experience for everyone involved.



SPORTS



TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR GRAND FINAL

Bishop's footballers qualified as one of the top six North London teams for the grand finals, showcasing their exceptional talent and determination. During the group stage, our team performed exceptionally well, topping the group with a series of impressive victories.

This success propelled them into the semi-finals, where they delivered a convincing 3-0 win, demonstrating their skill and teamwork. In the final, Bishop's met St. John's Prep School, setting the stage for a thrilling clash of the titans. Despite battling valiantly until the very end, our team was narrowly defeated with a 3-2 score. Special recognition goes to Year 10's Tyrese, who was named Player of the Tournament for his outstanding contributions and exemplary play.

DRAMA



Amazing trip to the Paddington Bear Experience where 22 students got to be a trial audience and give their feedback to the Directors and therefore the very first audience for the immersive Theatre experience, it was a rainy day but a very good one.

Fantastic trip to the National Theatre to see Death of England Closing Time for Year 11 and Year 12 students.



Amazing trip for Year 10 students and Year 12 students who got to meet the actors afterwards.

Witness for the Prosecution, The Globe, The National Theatre, V & A and the Tate Modern day and evening experience for Year 12 A Level students. The Play that Goes Wrong Year 11 and Year 12 and 13



RESIDENTIAL TRIP



KINGSWOOD RESIDENTIAL

Over the weekend, our students embarked on an adventurous two-day stay filled with engaging activities, personal growth, and unforgettable experiences.

Throughout our time at Kingswood, students participated in a diverse range of activities designed to challenge and inspire. From the creativity of buggy building to the precision of archery, each activity provided a unique opportunity for students to learn new skills and discover hidden talents. Laser tag brought out their strategic thinking and teamwork, while the exhilarating 3G swing and the daring leap of faith allowed many to conquer their fear of heights.

Problem-solving games encouraged critical thinking and collaboration, fostering a spirit of camaraderie among students. The evenings were equally vibrant, with a lively disco that had everyone dancing and a serene campfire where students shared stories and made lasting memories. Fire-making sessions taught essential survival skills, emphasizing the importance of safety and responsibility.

This residential experience was not just about fun and adventure; it was also about personal development. Many students expressed a profound sense of achievement as they overcame challenges and reached new heights, both literally and figuratively. The activities helped instill life skills such as resilience, confidence, and teamwork, which are invaluable for their future endeavors.

Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who made this trip possible. Your dedication and support ensured that the weekend was a resounding success.



SPORTS DAY



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On July 14th, Bishop Stopford's School hosted a thrilling Sports Day, filled with excitement and showcasing the exceptional talents of our students. Every form emerged victorious in their respective events, highlighting the spirit of teamwork and competition.



Well done to all the forms for their dedication and sportsmanship, and special congratulations to 7P, 8L, 9N, 10M, and 10N for their first-place finishes. Sports Day 2024 was a fantastic celebration of community, support, and our shared love for sports. Thank you to everyone who made this day a success. We look forward to even more incredible performances next year!

SPORTS



Outstanding performances from Year 7 Shalom, Year 10 Angela and all the relay teams on the track were matched by excellent podium gains in the field throwing and jumping events notably Year 8 Afonso gaining Gold for the second year. The dedication determination and stamina shown by all participants were truly commendable. This success highlights the dedication and hard work of both the students and their coaches. Congratulations to all those who participated in the athletics. You all demonstrated the Stopfordian spirit.

BISHOP'S ATHLETICS TEAM TRIUMPH

The boys and girls athletics teams rose to the occasion at the recent Borough Championships at Lee Valley Stadium. Despite the tough conditions our athletes displayed their Stopfordian values to gain a large medal haul.



EAL



JOURNEY TO THE GLOBE:

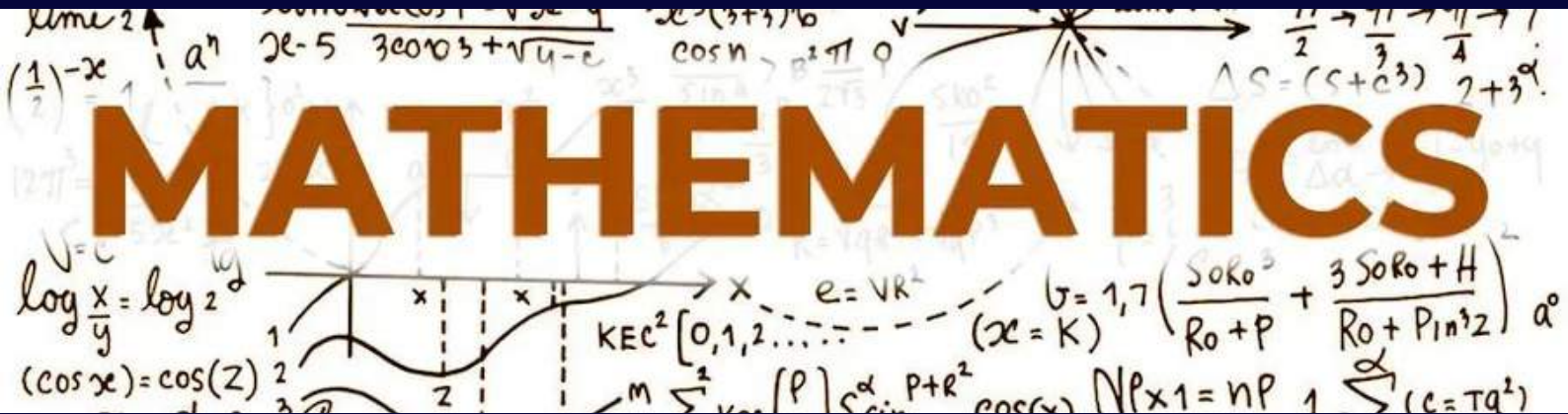


The EAL team organized an enriching excursion for a group of students to the iconic Globe Theatre in London. This trip provide a unique opportunity for the students to explore the Globe from the inside, offering them an in-depth look at its architectural marvels and a glimpse into the history of 'old London'.

.In addition to the architectural tour, the students visited the theatre's museum, where they enjoyed viewing costumes, props, and scripts from various productions

.The last highlight of the trip was a visit to the Banksy Tunnel, also known as the Leake Street Tunnel. It is the only spot in London where graffiti artists are permitted to paint without a permit. Here, students had the unique opportunity to observe artists at work, creating vibrant and dynamic street art. They even got the chance to leave their mark by writing their names on the wall, making the visit a memorable and interactive experience.

MATHS



A group of fifteen Year 7 and Year 8 students visited the Bank of England Museum. They had the opportunity to explore the economy, the history of the bank, and take part in activities that enabled students to develop their financial literacy skills. The visit provided a hands-on learning experience that made complex financial concepts accessible and engaging for the students.



A group of Year 8 students were involved in the UK Maths Challenge. The challenge has students utilize their mathematical reasoning and fluency in using the basic mathematical techniques learned from school to solve unique and interesting questions and challenges in sixty minutes. The variety and creativity of the problems help to keep the students engaged and motivated.

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UK Maths Trust

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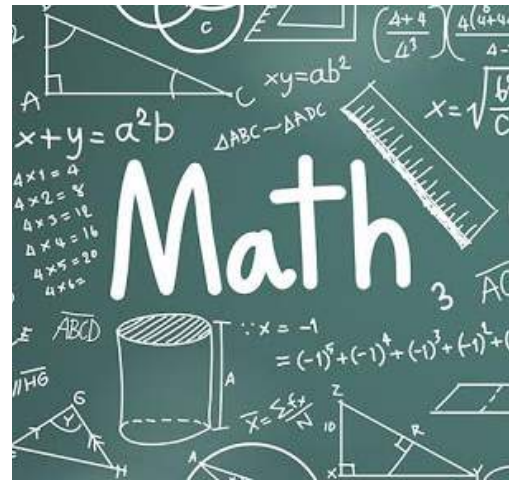
NIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE

Tuesday 3 October 2023

Organised by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust

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The challenge promotes critical thinking skills, often making pupils apply their knowledge in unfamiliar ways in order to solve a problem. This experience not only enhances their mathematical abilities but also boosts their confidence in tackling complex tasks. Participating in such challenges prepares students for future academic endeavors and real-world problem-solving situations.



GEOGRAPHY



TRIP TO WHITSTABLE

Our recent fieldwork trip to Whitstable was a resounding success, thanks to an incredible group of girls. They measured the groynes and sediments of the rocks on the beach with great precision, contributing valuable data for their GCSE Paper 3 content.

Mrs. Matlub proudly shared that a member of the public approached her to commend the girls on their politeness. "They made me so proud," she said. The students' attentiveness, willingness to listen, and ability to engage respectfully with the public were evident throughout the trip. They demonstrated values of compassion and respect, representing the school exceptionally well. The group also enjoyed interviewing local residents, showing genuine interest in their perspectives. This fieldwork experience not only enhanced their academic knowledge but also showcased their exemplary character. Special thanks to Mrs. Sonmez for making this trip happen.

Thorpe Park



REWARDS TRIP TO THORPE PARK

Our students had an exciting opportunity to visit Thorpe Park as part of a special rewards trip. This trip was organized to recognize and celebrate those students who earned the highest number of positive points and demonstrated the most significant improvement in behavior. It was a day filled with fun and adventure, a well-deserved reward for their hard work and dedication.



Year 7 Rewards



0 Negatives

Ayleen, Bevelyn, Gamze, Joshua,
Dinah, Chinaza
Mirabel



Highest Positives

De-Shawn Duah-Domfeh 1477 positives
Tobenna Maduka 1545 positives
Tasnim Nunow 1245 positives
Sakshi Ramchurn 1144 positives
Andreea Grigore 1207 positives



Form with the most positives

7P with over 22 thousand!

Form with the Highest Attendance

7P

Strive for 5 student

Nicole C



Year 8 Rewards

well done!

0 Negatives

Michael J, Deborah O, Olivia T, Rahela,
Naba A, Leo G, Lizzie N,
Kah N, Yasmina-V, Eduard S



Highest Positives

Fatima H
Deborah O
Ansal O
Naba A



Form with the most positives

8M

Form with the Highest Attendance

10M -89%

Strive for 5 student

Sienna A



Year 9 Rewards

well done!

0 Negatives

Zlatka A, Giorgia E, Juljan K, Kymaani O, Neo R,
Darren S, Amanda B, Giovanna D, Salma E
Stephenie I, Olivia M, Callum U, Kevin W.,
Sonny W, Elif Y, Zipporah A, Pepa A



Highest Positives

Charleen M
Amanda B
Carnell M
Avyana S



Form with the most positives

9L

Form with the Highest Attendance

9N

Strive for 5 student

Poppy F



Year 10 Rewards

well done!

0 Negatives

Meryem K
Elinam L
Dashitha M
Carolina B



Highest Positives

Prescillia L
Clement S
Uchenna E
Roland O
Beryl N



Form with the most positives

10R - 11672

Form with the Highest Attendance

10M - 89%

Strive for 5 student

Gabriella V



NEW EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUB



GARDENING CLUB

Join the Gardening Club this summer to cultivate your green thumb and enjoy the beauty of nature!

Our club offers weekly workshops on a variety of topics, including organic gardening, sustainable practices, and plant care tips.

Members participate in community projects, such as maintaining the school flower beds and creating a butterfly garden. Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just starting out, the club provides a supportive environment to share knowledge and experience. Sign up today to grow with us and contribute to a greener community!

An honorable mention to Mustafa from 8M "I like to plant and water every other day but its getting to eat the tomatoes and I hand picked the red flowers."

Well Being



Dear Parents and Guardians,
At Bishop Stopford's School, we recognize the crucial role that well-being plays in the lives of our students and their families. As partners in your child's education and development, we are committed to supporting you in fostering a positive and nurturing environment at home. Here are some tips and resources to help you prioritize well-being for both you and your child.

1. Encourage Open Communication

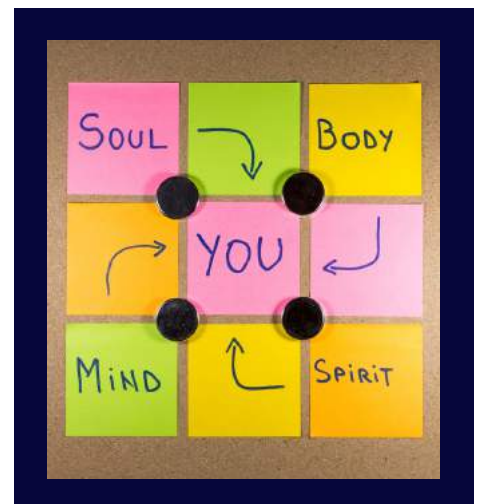
- **Listen Actively:** Create a safe space for your child to express their thoughts and feelings. Listening without judgment helps them feel valued and understood.
- **Share Your Own Experiences:** Sharing your own experiences and emotions can encourage your child to open up about theirs.

2. Promote a Healthy Lifestyle

- **Balanced Diet:** Ensure your child eats a variety of nutritious foods to fuel their body and mind.
- **Regular Exercise:** Encourage physical activity, whether it's a family walk, sports, or a dance session in the living room.
- **Adequate Sleep:** Establish a consistent bedtime routine to ensure your child gets enough rest, crucial for their physical and mental well-being.

3. Stay Informed and Seek Support

School Resources: Utilize the resources available through our school, including counseling services, workshops, and informational sessions.
Community Support: Don't hesitate to seek additional support from community services, health professionals, or support groups if needed.



Well Being



At times you might find the need to speak to someone during the evening, at weekend or during the holidays. If you feel that you may need help from someone outside of school, please see below for some useful links to information from other sources.

Childline: www.childline.org.uk or call 0800 11 1

Kidscape: www.kidscape.org.uk or call 020 7730 3300

Kooth: www.kooth.com

Mind: www.mind.org.uk

NHS: www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/childrens-mental-health/

Samaritans:

www.samaritans.org or call 116 123 for free

Young Minds:

www.youngminds.org.uk

Place2Be – improving mental health: www.place2be.org.uk

Living Life to the Full, lots of support including CBT: <https://littf.com/>

Talk To Frank –

<https://www.talktofrank.com/>

Kaleidoscope Group:

www.kaleidoscopeplus.org.uk

Breakfast Club

A new breakfast club will be open from Monday 7th February.

7.30-8.20 am.

Free breakfast will be provided for all students, and they can choose either:

- Toasted bagel with butter and/or Jam
- Cereal (milk included)

Other warm and cold breakfast options will be available to buy, daily menus will be coming soon!



Free School Meals

All those in receipt of Free School Meals will receive an eCode Payment Voucher for the Easter Holidays 2nd-18th April – this is for £30. The e-code will be issued by Edenred and will be sent to your e-mail address. Please note this code must be redeemed by the 18th April (it cannot be reissued) but the supermarket voucher can be spent after this date. If you have any queries please contact the school by e-mail generaloffice@bishopstopfordsenfield.sch.uk or 07401 360043.

TRUSTING IN THE LORD DURING GCSE RESULTS: A DEVOTIONAL



PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as I await my GCSE results, I choose to place my trust in You. Thank You for being with me throughout my studies and for knowing my heart. Help me to surrender my worries and anxieties to You, knowing that Your plans for me are good. Remind me that my worth is found in Christ and not in my grades. Grant me Your peace that surpasses all understanding, and guide my steps as I move forward. I trust in Your unfailing love and wisdom. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

May you find peace and reassurance in God's presence as you await your results, trusting that He holds your future in His loving hands.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight." - Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

As the day for receiving GCSE results approaches, it is natural to feel a mix of emotions—anticipation, anxiety, and perhaps even fear. These results represent years of hard work, dedication, and countless hours of study. It's a moment that seems to define a significant part of your future. But amid the uncertainty and the weight of expectations, there is a profound truth we must remember: Our God is sovereign, loving, and faithful.

Remember, your worth is not determined by your grades. You are a beloved child of God, created in His image and redeemed by His love. Romans 8:38-39 proclaims, "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Nothing can change the fact that you are deeply loved and valued by God.