



Bishop Stopford's School

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Dear Parents /Carers,

As we come to the end of another successful summer term, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all our parents and carers for your continued support and partnership throughout the year. Your encouragement at home has played an invaluable role in helping our students flourish both academically and personally. It has been wonderful to see our students thriving, embracing new opportunities, and demonstrating resilience, determination and enthusiasm in all aspects of school life. They have worked incredibly hard, and we are immensely proud of their achievements and the positive contribution they make to our school community.

This year has been filled with many memorable trips, exciting events and outstanding achievements that have enriched the experiences of our students. From educational visits and cultural excursions to community events and celebrations, our students have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm and maturity. We are incredibly proud of the success they have achieved, particularly those who have represented the school with distinction in sporting competitions, earning well-deserved awards through their dedication and perseverance. Our choir has continued to shine, inspiring audiences during school services and community events with their exceptional performances, while our students have demonstrated remarkable creativity, skill and innovation through their outstanding work in Design and Technology. Our students have also showcased exceptional talent and creativity in drama, captivating audiences with confident, engaging and inspiring performances that reflect their hard work, imagination and growing confidence. These achievements reflect the talent, commitment and ambition that make our school community so special, and we look forward to building on this success in the year ahead.

These shared experiences often strengthen friendships and create lasting memories, reminding us that some of the best learning happens beyond the classroom walls.

School trips are often the most memorable part of a student's academic journey; they provide a break from the usual classroom routine and offer hands-on learning experiences that deepen understanding and spark curiosity. Whether it's visiting a museum, exploring a historical site, or spending time in nature, school trips allow students to bond with classmates, discover new environments, and gain perspectives that textbooks alone can't offer.

Here is a snippet of some of the trips and events that have happened this half term: -

Events and Trips

Year 6 Transition Day

On Thursday, 2nd July, 2026, students attended Bishop Stopford's School for their taster day. Our new year 7 students for 2026/27 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, 2026.

Founders Day

On Monday, 29th June, 2026, members of staff and year 7 students attended 'Founders Day'. Our school was founded more than 50 years ago and our Founders Day is a celebration of the commitment that our community shares in making the school a wonderful place to learn. The Celebrant Revd Kechinyere Onwuka, 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.

School Prom

Our Year 11 Prom was a wonderful way to celebrate the end of an important chapter and say goodbye to an exceptional cohort of students. Held at the beautiful Forty Hall, the evening was filled with laughter, celebration and unforgettable memories as students and staff arrived dressed in their finest for the special occasion. A particular highlight of the evening was our very own Assistant Headteacher, Mr Riley, took on the role of DJ and kept the dance floor full all night with an excellent selection of music. It was a fantastic celebration of our Year 11 students' achievements, and everyone enjoyed a fabulous evening dancing the night away. We wish our Year 11 leavers every success and happiness as they embark on the next stage of their journey.

Year 13 Leavers' Celebration

Our Year 13 students came together to celebrate the end of an important chapter at this year's Leavers' Celebration. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with delicious food, laughter and cherished memories, providing the perfect opportunity to reflect on their journey through Sixth Form.

Students enjoyed spending time with friends and staff as they celebrated their achievements and looked ahead with excitement to the opportunities that await them. The event was a fitting farewell, recognising not only their academic accomplishments but also the resilience, friendships and personal growth they have demonstrated over the past two years.

We are immensely proud of everything our Year 13 students have achieved and thank them for the positive contribution they have made to our school community. As they move on to university, apprenticeships, employment and other exciting pathways, we wish them every success and happiness in the future. Congratulations, Class of 2026. You will always be part of the Bishop Stopford's family, and we look forward to celebrating your future successes.

Enfield Borough Athletics Championships

We are incredibly proud of our students who represented the school at the Enfield Borough Athletics Championships held at Lee Valley Athletics Centre. Competing against schools from across the borough, our talented athletes from Years 7, 8 and 9 delivered outstanding performances, bringing home an impressive total of three gold, four silver and three bronze medals across a range of track and field events. Their determination, resilience and excellent sportsmanship were evident throughout the day, and they were fantastic ambassadors for our school. It was a wonderful event, enjoyed by everyone involved, and we congratulate all of our athletes on their remarkable achievements and the dedication they showed in representing the school so brilliantly.

Trip to Paris

On 30th June, 2026, students went on a trip to Paris. This was a unique and enriching experience that blended education with adventure. Exploring iconic landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre, and Notre-Dame, bringing history and culture to life in a way no textbook can. These visits help to strengthen friendships and create unforgettable memories, making it a highlight of their school years. For many, it's a first glimpse into a wider world, inspiring curiosity and a love for travel and learning.

For more insight and photos of our events and trips, please refer to the school's newsletter on the school's website.

End of term arrangements

The last day of term is **Friday, 18th July** and school will finish from 12pm onwards 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 – 12pm
- Year 8 & 9 12:05pm
- Year 10 - 12:15pm

Free school meal students will be able to go the canteen at break time at 11am.

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.

Results will be available for students as follows:

- A level results, Thursday, 13th August – collect from 8.30am.
- GCSE results, Thursday, 20th August, 2026 – collect from 9am.

Please note: These results days apply to BTEC results too.

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.

Return to School

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:

Friday, 4th September, 2026 – Year 7 and Year 12

Year 7 students – arrive normal time 8.30am

Year 12 students 6th Form enrolment – from 8.30am

Monday, 7th September, 2026 – All students

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

Attendance

As we approach the summer break, I would like to thank families for their continued support with ensuring children attend school every day and arrive on time. Good attendance has a significant impact on student's learning, wellbeing and sense of belonging within the school community. As we return in September, we ask parents and carers to ensure that children are back in school from the first day of term and avoid any unnecessary absence. Every day of learning matters, and starting the new academic year alongside their classmates helps children settle quickly, establish positive routines and make the most of every learning opportunity.

In line with Department for Education guidance, our school is a mobile phone-free environment and students should not bring mobile phones into school. The Department for Education states that schools should prohibit the use of mobile phones throughout the school day, including lessons, breaktimes and lunchtimes, to support learning, behaviour and wellbeing. We appreciate parents' support in ensuring that children follow this expectation and that any communication needed during the school day is made through the school office.

Finally, please ensure that all students return in September wearing the correct school uniform and meeting our expectations for appearance. Wearing uniform correctly helps to foster a sense of pride, belonging and readiness to learn. If you are unsure about any aspect of our uniform requirements, or would like information about approved suppliers and purchasing arrangements, please visit the Parents section of the school's website where full details can be found. Thank you for your support in helping us maintain the high standards that we expect from all members of our school community.

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 2026.

In the meantime, I wish you all a peaceful and restful summer holiday.

Warmest wishes,



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