



Bishop Wilson C of E Primary School

“The joy of the lord is your strength” Nehemiah 8:10

“Compassion and tolerance are not a sign of weakness, but a sign of strength.”

Dalai Lama

I can't quite believe that we have come to the end of another half term. It is lovely to see the children enthusiastic in their learning and making progress.

A big thank you to all the parents who filled in the survey on the newsletter communication. It was almost unanimous across the Federation to have a half-termly newsletter and bi-weekly diary dates so that is what we will continue to do.

Since January we have seen the opening of the Baby Room and hopefully, in the next week or so, we will see the opening of the Early Years Hub. We understand that the building work has caused us all a little disruption but the children and staff have been amazing and I want to thank them all for their patience and flexibility during this time.

As we head towards the second half of the school year, please remember that term-time holidays will not be authorised and fixed penalty notices will be processed. Please note that the Easter break is exceptionally longer this year and could provide a perfect opportunity for a family holiday.

I just want to remind parents to follow the age guidance of TV programmes and apps to keep their children safe. Age guidance is there to ensure children are not exposed to content that is unsuitable for them. Apps such as WhatsApp, Snap Chat and TikTok are 12+ years, all of these apps should not be accessed by primary school aged children. The age bands are given because of the maturity of the children, the content and wider access the apps give. As parents, please be vigilant to the apps and TV programmes your child is accessing, continually review all parental controls, check children's phones, Netflix Accounts and encourage the children, as we teach in school, to report anything that they know is not appropriate online.

I hope you all have a lovely half term, the children deserve a rest for all their hard work. Next term will be very busy as we start off with the Y5/6 residential. Have fun, stay safe and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday 25th February 2024.

Best wishes,

Freda



Dear Lord

We thank you for the amazing advances in technology in recent years.

Thank you for the wonderful resource of the Internet.

We ask that you help us to use it wisely, support our children in safe access and ensure there is no harm to others.

Amen

Dates for your diary

24th February – Inset Day.

25th February – School reopens.

26th – 28th February – Eagles residential – Please make sure form c is completed in school spider.

6th March – World Book Day this year our theme is going to be 'Bedtime stories'. Children are welcome to come to school dressed up in their PJs and dressing gowns and bring in one of their favourite books. We will be having lots of different reading book activities throughout the day, opportunities to listen to stories read by teachers and their friends, plus much more! Children will also receive their world book day vouchers on the day as well which they can exchange for selected books from participating retailers.

6th March – Menu Change – World Book Day Menu. Hotdogs, twister fries, sweetcorn or baked beans or Sandwiches. Fruit platter or mud cake for desert.

10th March – Year 3 Roman Soldier trip to Chester, please make sure payment is made in school spider and form C complete.

13th March – Year 4 Ness Gardens trip – Form C and payment to be made in school spider.

19th March – Robins and Kingfishers trip to Blue Planet – Form C and payment to be completed in school spider.

26th and 27th March – Parents Evening.

4th April – School closes at 3.15pm for Spring Break.

23rd April – School reopens.

Holidays in term time

Holidays in term time will incur a fixed penalty notice. For more information please see our website, the CWAC website also has information regarding attendance & you can download future cwac holiday dates that we follow (apart from 5 INSET dates that need to be set)

Please complete a leave of absence request form from the school office and return for any requests with 14 days notice

School Dinners

Dinners are **£3.00 per day, £15.00 per week** for KS2 (Years 3-6) and should be paid through school spider in advance.

If you need a login please email Mrs Johnson admin@bishopwilson.cheshire.sch.uk

If you think, you may be entitled to free school meals, please go to www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk, Schools & Education, and then Free School Meals where you can apply on-line.

Have you moved house, changed mobile number or other contact details, please do not forget to let us know in writing. Either email admin@bishopwilson.cheshire.sch.uk or pop a written note into the office.
Thankyou

Robins Class

This term our wonderful Robins have been learning about Transport, they have been looking at travelling by Land, Sea and Air. They made their own cars and rockets and even made their own aeroplane during role play, stopping for a snack and drink in the airport lounge before their flight.

This term we have been reading the Naughty Bus we soon found out why he was naughty when he left us standing at the bus stop, we were very cross.

In Maths we have been looking how to make 6, 7 and 8 in different ways and are well on our way to becoming phonic superstars.



Kingfishers Class

What a fantastic term!

In English we have been reading '*Katie in London*' which has been great for expanding our vocabulary and imagination. We have learned how to use the prefix 'un' and writing in past and present tense.

In Maths we have been adding and subtracting within 100, the children have worked really hard.

In Topic we have been learning about the UK Capitals and Surrounding Seas. Children have explored what different parts of the country look like and compared them.

In Science we have been learning about Animals including Humans and we joined in the Big Bird watch with RSPB. The children were really engaged and enjoyed making bird feeders for the birds. We have also been looking at the human body and our senses - children especially liked the food tasting!!

Have a wonderful half-term and I look forward to welcoming you all back.



Owls Class



The Owls have had an exciting half term! They went to Pizza Express and made some very tasty pizzas. This began their topic on Italy. They then found out about where pizzas originated and looked at the regions of Italy. Owls have also composed a piece in Music, which they performed in the Parents and Carer's service at the end of the half term. On Monday 27th January in the evening, a group of Year 4s visited the Floral Pavilion in New Brighton to take part in Neston High School's performance of, "Legally Blonde". It was great fun, singing and dancing to Pharrell Williams, "Happy" song and they were amazing!



Eagles Class

Eagles class have had a fantastic and busy half-term filled with exciting learning opportunities! In science and English, we have been exploring Charles Darwin's theory of evolution, discovering how his journey to the Galápagos Islands led to groundbreaking ideas about adaptation and natural selection. Linked to this, we have also made some amazing animal masks in Art, see picture. In PE, we've been developing our skills in both tennis and hockey, showing great teamwork and determination. In computing, we've taken on the challenge of learning binary code, uncovering how computers store and process information.

As part of our 300-year celebration, we drew pictures of an eagle that will form a collage, combined with pieces of art from our other classes, that will contribute to a new display in our hall to mark our big milestone.

A highlight of our term however, has been welcoming back Mrs. P, our wonderful teaching assistant. We are so happy to have her back in class, supporting our learning every day. Well done, Eagles – keep up the fantastic work!



PTA update

A huge thank you, once again, to the whole school community for your continued support of the PTA. All money raised will help the school buy equipment or support activities that all the children benefit from. Currently we are raising money to help develop a new gardening area, including a greenhouse, so the children can grow fruit and vegetables and maybe even sell them at the school fayre!

Vote for Bishop Wilson!

Thank you to everyone who voted during December for Bishop Wilson in the ballot at Shop 4 Neston.



We're thrilled to let you know that Bishop Wilson was awarded £1000!



New and Nearly New Uniform

It's great to see the new and nearly new uniform in reception, with lots of new (with labels) and nearly new uniform for only £1 per item. There is a full range of uniform, including PE kits and book bags, so if you need any new uniform, please have a look.

Lap of the Wirral Challenge

Hopefully you've seen information regarding our big fundraising initiative for 2025. Tom Peters (Dad to Ellie and Jake) will be running the coastline of the Wirral on 5 May 2025. Whether it's just a few paces, a few miles or the whole 37 miles Tom would love as many of our school community to join him as possible. The challenge will start at school and mainly stay on the Wirral way so children will be able to join in (running, riding scooters) in a safe and secure environment. It would be great if people could join Tom along the route so we'll be sharing details of the route and asking if people could indicate where they'd like to join.

If parents would like to run some or all of the route (we already have some volunteers 😊) please contact Tom 07515258828.



We are always looking for volunteers, and whatever time (even if it's just one event in the year), or other help you can provide (baking for bake sales, helping at events) is always welcome.

S4YC

Happy Lunar New Year everybody!

We have welcomed 2 new members of staff to S4YC Nursery who are Sam and Megan, I am sure you have all met them at some point during the day.

We are so proud that our baby room is now open and gradually filling up, we have had lots of enquiries and new little ones due to start in April. We have had lots of fun with our new little ones settling in and all making lovely friendships too.

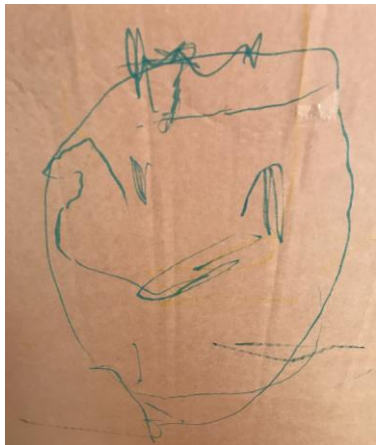
Our main theme with baby room at the moment is building relationships and finding out their interests.

Club children and Pre school children have had lots of fun celebrating Year of the Snake, exploring feelings and emotions, lots of baking linking in with our winter theme and due to celebrate Valentines Day.

Thank you for your on going support, we really appreciate it...don't forget to leave us a review on Day Nurseries :)

From

Allison, Julia, Sam and Megan



Link to the Family Fundraiser that is going to have lots of 'flipping' fun before pancake day and hopefully raise lots for charity again.

<https://www.eventcreate.com/e/the-hinds-family-fundraiser>



The poster features a light blue background with colorful bunting flags at the top. The title 'FAMILY FUNDRAISER' is written in large, stylized letters, with 'FAMILY' in white and 'FUNDRAISER' in red. Below the title is a yellow flower icon. The main text is contained within a white cloud shape: 'Lots of 'Flipping-fun' for PANCAKE DAY!' in red, and '@ GLADSTONE VILLAGE HALL' in teal. A red ribbon banner contains the date and time: 'SAT 1ST MARCH 1 - 4 PM'. To the left is an illustration of a stack of pancakes with blueberries, and to the right is a stack of pancakes with chocolate sauce. At the bottom left, a frying pan is shown with a pancake being flipped, with a pat of butter and a blueberry nearby. The bottom section has a green background with white text and a QR code.

FAMILY FUNDRAISER

Lots of 'Flipping-fun' for PANCAKE DAY!

@ GLADSTONE VILLAGE HALL

SAT 1ST MARCH
1 - 4 PM

- Popcats & Themed Fun •
- Fair Stalls & Raffle •
- Food & Drink •

LIMITED TICKETS - BE QUICK

Kids go FREE.
Adults get their tickets via QR or website.
ALL proceeds go to Brain Research UK.



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5pm - 5.45pm

Children (Ages 7-16)
5.45pm - 6.30pm

Adults
7.30pm - 8.30pm

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