# **Bishop Wilson C of E Primary School**

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



### "Just take one step at a time, trusting that God still has a plan for you, and He will make the best out of your situation."

George Foreman, Boxer, 1949-2025

There has been much to celebrate during this busy term - I feel like it was Christmas, I blinked and now it is Easter – time has gone so quickly and so much has happened.

World Book Day (Thursday 6th March) was a great time to celebrate everything books and pyjamas, with the children taking time to read with younger buddies around school and talking about their favourite authors. The children have enjoyed being out and about, marching with a Roman soldier, exploring Ness Gardens, learning about marine habitats at the Blue Planet Aquarium, not to mention lots of outdoor adventures on the Y5 and Y6 residential at Boreatton Park in Shropshire.

It was lovely to see so many of you at parents evening last week, many of you leaving with proud smiles on your faces - this was in response to how hard the children have been working. I want to thank you all for your continued support, it has been tricky to hold many events in school while the building work has been happening and therefore, I feel sad that we have all seen less of each other. Now that the Baby Room and Early Years Hub is complete, we can get back to our more usual programme of events – a big thanks to the PTA for bearing with us and being so adaptable during this time.

As you will have read from the communications on Friday Mrs Roberts will be embarking on an early retirement at the end of this academic year, we wish her lots of luck for her new adventures and thank her for her dedication and service over her 25 years at Bishop Wilson. The Governing Board and myself will work together in the coming weeks to make a plan around staffing for the next academic year and we will keep you informed in due course.

We are lucky to have an exceptionally long Easter holidays and will see the children back in school on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025. I hope the weather is kind and that you all get to spend some quality time together over the coming weeks. Stay safe and stay well.

Best wishes, Freda



Dear Lord

Thank you for the Springtime and the hope of new life that it brings. From tiny shoots, unfurling of leaves and the bleating of tiny lambs – thank you for all of creation and guide us to take time to appreciate it. Amen

#### **Dates for your diary**

23<sup>rd</sup> April – School reopens.

**23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> April Menu Changes** – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Cheese and Tomato Pasta or Jacket Potato, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Chicken Goujons or sandwich, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Pizza or Jacket Potato.

23<sup>rd</sup> April – Year 3,4,5 and 6 swimming starts. Please make sure payment is made in school spider asap. This will run every Wednesday until 16<sup>th</sup> July. Year 6 will not swim on 14<sup>th</sup> May due to SATS.

25<sup>th</sup> April to 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Judo Club 8:00 to 8.45 am – Sign up and payment to be made direct with Judo Education.

1<sup>st</sup> May – PTA Bingo – 5.30pm to 7.00pm – Tickets are now available to purchase on school spider.

5<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday – School closed re-opens Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

12<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATS.

20<sup>th</sup> May - PM - Sports Day (Weather dependant) - more information to follow.

23<sup>rd</sup> May – School closes at 3.15pm for half term.

2<sup>nd</sup> June – Inset Day

**3rd June –** School re-opens

6<sup>th</sup> June – Class photos – all children to be in full school uniform.

7<sup>th</sup> June – 10.00 – 12.00 – Teddy Bears Picnic open morning.

10<sup>th</sup> June – Fencing club starts 8.00 – 8.45 am – More information on booking will follow.

15<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers play – more information to follow.

18<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Fair.

22<sup>nd</sup> July – Leavers service in church – more information to follow.

23<sup>rd</sup> July – School closes at 3.15pm for summer holidays.

#### 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

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**

Robins have been on quite a journey this term and are really pleased to be in their wonderful new learning space. There has been lots going on and many changes, but we are truly beginning to settle in and our learning is progressing really well. We have been learning about a character called Hetty Peck who looks after lots of hatchlings and can now write some pretty tricky words using our phonics. We have also enjoyed playing the 'fastest fingers' game. The fastest person to show a number on their fingers is the winner. When we explored full and empty we seemed to get water everywhere and ended up making a waterfall out of pipes. We have planted plants and our primroses near the classroom window are really pretty. We had a fabulous time at the Blue Planet aquarium and are very excited about visiting lambs on a local farm at the end of term. We are looking forward to our spring break, a bit of a rest and lots of chocolate. Happy Easter from Robins' class.







#### **Kingfishers Class**



This term we have been learning about *Animals including Humans* in Science. Children have been engaged and interested to find out more, bringing in books from home and exploring different sea creatures at the Blue Planet Aquarium.

In English and Topic, we have been learning about *The Great Fire of London*. The children have shown such

interest in this and have created some amazing pieces of work that they should be really proud of.

During our outdoor learning session on a Wednesday, we have been exploring Andy Goldsworthy's Art work and creating our own.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you all for my lovely gifts, flowers and cards for my birthday and engagement. I truly am so grateful and lucky to work here and teach your wonderful children. Thank you

Miss Gabriel (soon to be Mrs Barber haha)

#### **Owls Class**

This Term, Owls have been out and about! Year 3 had two amazing trips to Chester to find out about Roman Britain. They travelled back in time by 2000 years and met an inhabitant of Deva! They investigated Roman pottery, tomb stones and looked at how the Romans cooked their meals.

Year 4 went to Ness Gardens and met some of the inhabitants living in the pond there! They had a fantastic time identifying bird calls, pond dipping and thinking about the habitats of a variety of creatures.

Owls also completed their Class book – "The Winter's Child", just as spring arrived. They wrote some magical fantasy stories of their own and they have been writing some beautiful poetry based on "The Magnificent Bull" by the Dinka Tribe with amazing similes.









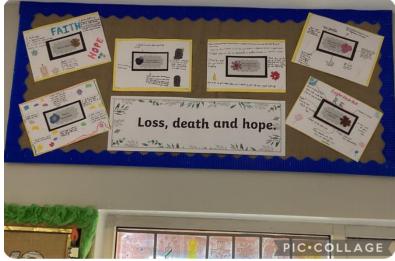


#### **Eagles Class**

This half-term, children in Eagles class have been busy exploring the wonders of nature and faith. In science, we have studied how different species have evolved over time, looking at their good and bad traits and how they have adapted to their environments.

Our Year 6 pupils have been working hard with SATs practice, showing great perseverance and determination. In RE, we have reflected on what the Bible teaches us about heaven and deepened our understanding of Christian hope, thinking about how faith guides us in our daily lives. It has been a rewarding and enriching term for all!





#### **PTA** update

A huge thank you, once again, to the whole school community who have supported the PTA this term. 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!

We hope everyone enjoyed the bake sale on Wednesday and it was great to have the new and nearly new uniform sale too. We also hope the children enjoyed the Easter Hunt in school today.

We have lots of events coming up next term;



Bingo Night – Thursday 1 May: 5.30pm – 7pm Please book tickets through school spider

Summer Fayre – 18 July 2025: 3.15pm Donations for sweets and drinks tombola and toy stall in July





Bake Sale – Monthly

We'd like to say thank you for the very kind donation to the PTA this term. If anyone would like to donate directly to the PTA please contact us at pta@bishopwilson.cheshire.sch.uk

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,) is always welcome.

Wishing everyone a very happy Easter.



#### S4YC

#### **Wrens Room**

We have had a fabulous start to this month, new little ones have started and they have settled in amazingly and more to come over the next few weeks.

We have celebrated St Patrick's Day by making excellent use of orange, green and white paint, finding various red resources for Comic Relief, World Book Day too.

Babies have been busy making Mother's Day gifts, which are adorable.

They are also learning about making relationships and carrying out simple instructions.

#### **Sparrows Room**

Have also celebrated St Patrick's Day by painting shamrocks and had lots of fun finding green items in their fabulous new room.

We had fun wearing pyjamas for the day, took part in World Book Day , made Mother's Day card with our little hand prints.

Pre school have been learning about prepositions and are doing really well.

Thank you for your continuous support!

Allison - Nursery Manager and the team x







# FOOTBALL TRIALS



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO JOIN US



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AGED UNDER 8 – UNDER 9 (HIGH LEVEL GRASSROOT PLAYER)



SANDBACH UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB **CW11 3LZ** 



£50 FOR THE DAY

MESSAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION COACHBARKSFOOTBALL@GMAIL.COM





9:00-15:00













## AT ELLESMERE PORT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

CAPENHURST LANE, WHITBY, CH65 7AQ

# STARTING MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR(PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE)



Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis EVERY MONDAY during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 12. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term(usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7.50 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£30) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities including the large sports hall and outdoor pitches.

TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE <u>TEXT</u> ELLESMERE PORT + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP NUMBER (1,2or3)

and receive confirmation by text

07856 315 637

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)