

BISHOPS DOWN PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL



June 10th 2022 week 30, Term 6

Dear all

This week we welcome Alisa to year 5 from Ukraine; I know that year 5 parents have already been a great support to the family, sourcing uniform and so on. Our young interpreters have been wonderful in ensuring all of our new children settle in and are made to feel very welcome.

Mrs Sheldon and Mrs Silburn (English as an Additional Language Leader) will be visiting Tunbridge Wells Ukraine Refugee Support Group at TN2 to see what more we can do as a school to support our Ukrainian families. We will be running a coffee morning exclusively for the mums of our new children, together with their host families on Monday. I know that you will join us in giving a very warm welcome at this most difficult time for them.

Very sadly I have to announce that Mrs Parks, Year 1 teacher and Mrs Woods, SENDCo will be leaving at the end of this academic year. Mrs Parks will be taking on a new challenge in a larger Primary school locally and Mrs Woods will be putting her years of experience at Bishops Down into a new role in the Specialist Teaching Service supporting children with Physical Disabilities across West Kent. Amanda Sheppard, TA will also be leaving at the end of the year for a new role in a local school. In happier news, I can announce the class teachers for next year—see the second page!.

Many congratulations to year 1 children who have completed their phonics assessment this week. They have done very well!

Sports Day Wednesday 15th June

Your child must wear

- School P.E. kit shorts with a coloured t-shirt of their house colour
- Appropriate sport footwear
- A hat if the weather is hot
- Sun cream if the weather is hot
- They will also need their water bottle!

Timings (please allow flexibility)

KS2- 9.10am -12.00pm

KS1 - 12.45pm - 3pm

KS2 (Front field)

9.10am -10.30am - carousel activities, parents and guardians can follow round the activities in the viewing area

10.30am -10.40am - children's toilet break

10.45am-12noon - races

12noon- 12.30pm whole school picnic - You will have the opportunity to eat with your child

12.30pm - children go back into school for the rest of the school day

Reception, Y1 & Y2 (Front field)

12.00noon-12.30pm - whole school picnic - You will have the opportunity to eat with your child

12.30pm - children go inside for registration and to go to toilet etc.

12.45pm - 1.30pm carousel activities

1.30pm - 1.40pm children's toilet break

1.40pm - 2.50pm races

2.50pm - 3.15pm children go back inside and get ready for end of day collection

If you have not ordered a school packed lunch for your child by the deadline, which was 27th May, you will need to send your child in with a packed lunch from home on Sports Day, as all food orders have now been placed by the kitchen. Thank you

Employment opportunities at Bishops Down <https://www.bishopsdownprimary.org/employment-opportunities>

Teacher	Year group
Mr Milne	Year 6
Miss Mackie <i>(will be Mrs Morgan in September!)</i>	Year 5
Miss Greenwood/Mrs Wilmshurst	Year 4 (3 days & 2 days)
Miss Archer	Year 3
Mr George	Year 2
Mrs Holliday	Year 1
Miss Skipper	Reception Teacher
Mrs Tizzard	Nursery Teacher

'Kooth' , a mental health and well being organisation are offering a free Parent/Carer webinar . These sessions are designed to let parents/carers know how Kooth can support their children with their mental health & wellbeing.

Click on the registration link to sign up & attend. If parents/carers have any questions, they can email parentsandcarers@kooth.com

Weds 27 July 6pm - 7pm <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/introduction-to-kooth-for-parents-and-carers-tickets-277457000357>



Andrew Parry Music - Summer Rock School is back this summer!! After two summers away, we are so looking forward to getting together and making music. We always say it is the highlight of our teaching year so we're so keen to bring it back bigger and better than ever!

We are running courses at 3 different locations this summer, details as follows:

- **Maidstone Primary** - Year 2-6 - MGS - Mon 25 & Tue 26 July - £90
- **Maidstone secondary** - Year 7-10 - MGS - Wed 27 - Fri 29 July - £120
- **Margate primary** - Year 2-6 - Palm Bay Primary - Mon 1 & Tue 2 Aug - £90
- **Near Faversham primary** - Year 2-6 - Hernhill C of E Primary - Mon 8 & Tue 9 Aug - £90
- **Near Faversham secondary** - Year 7-10 - Hernhill C of E Primary - Wed 10 - Fri 12 Aug - £120

For more information and to apply, please complete the following form: <https://forms.gle/BjLito8tGtFVqsbm8> and for more information visit my website: <https://www.andrewparrymusic.com>

If you have never attended a rock school, here is an overview!

The days run from 9:30 - 3:30 (children need to bring a packed lunch) - the primary aged children do 2 days and the secondary aged children do 3 days, with a concert at the end of the last day of each course. The main aim is to get children into bands! They will get opportunities to try out different band instruments but the majority of the time will be spent working on making music together to prepare for the concert. It is so much fun and a great opportunity, especially as over the last few years group music making has been nearly impossible for so much of it. It doesn't matter if your child learns an instrument already or not, we cater to everyone. If you have any questions though, do please get in touch, and we really look forward to rocking out with your child this summer!

Name The Corgi!



The PSA have a lovely cuddly Corgi toy to give away - but it needs a name!

£1 per entry. The winner of the Corgi will be randomly chosen in assembly.

How to enter:

Send your suggested Corgi name to psa@bishops-down.kent.sch.uk by 23:45 on Wednesday, 15th June.



TUNBRIDGE WELLS CYCLING FESTIVAL

Saturday 11 June 2022
Calverley Grounds, Tunbridge Wells
10am to 4pm



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A town centre festival that will celebrate safe, inclusive, and enjoyable cycling for people of all ages in our local community.

This family friendly festival will feature activities, entertainment & exhibitors provided by local clubs, groups, businesses and organisations. It will be a great day!

Cycling competitions, demonstration bikes, British Cycling trained coached skills for younger riders, supported family group rides and gravity defying performances by the UK's most accomplished BMX stunt team.

Organised by:



1922-2022: Championing Cycling in the area for 90+ years

Exhibition stands: several stands that will provide information from local cycling & activity groups

Action Wheels: a safe and fun balance bike course for smaller riders to try

Cycling shows: a high energy demonstration of cycling skills provided by the Savage Skills display team

Static roller bike and online cycling: showcasing cycling apps & technology to improve technique

Practical cycling safety: including helmet checks and basic bicycle safety/maintenance providers

Other entertainment: a samba band, arts & crafts, bike security marking food and refreshments

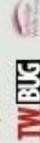
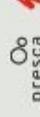
British Cycling trained skills sessions: to improve bike handling and safe riding for younger riders



Bike demonstrations: providing an opportunity to learn & experience different types of bikes



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