



Bishop Stopford School

Week Ending: 11 October 2024

NEWSLETTER



School is closed tomorrow for Professional Development Day

Events all week

Govilon Residential 7C & 7W

Monday 14 October

Year 11 Collective Worship

Praying Parents 2pm

Tuesday 15 October

Year 10 Collective Worship

Wednesday 16 October

Year 8 & 9 Collective Worship

Year 9 – U14 County Rugby 10s

Thursday 17 October

Year 7 Collective Worship

Year 11 Progress Review

Friday 18 October

Year 12 & 13 Collective Worship

Year 9 Communion

Culture Day

School closes for half term break

Next week:

Week A

Assembly Theme:

Unlocking Unique

Potential/ who we are

Yr 6 into 7 Open Events

#BestOfBishop

It has been a very positive week, with many visitors on three Open Mornings. We are now looking forward to a very busy Open Evening tonight!

There has been nothing but praise from visitors for the way in which our wonderful students have interacted with them. 'They are an absolute credit to your school!' was said to me countless times, and I kept hearing words such as 'helpful', 'knowledgeable', 'kind', 'confident' and 'engaging'.

I am so proud of every student who has taken part in these events. Year 8 and Sixth Form guides deserve the highest praise for what they have communicated with our visitors. No doubt many others will be equally impressive this evening.

Deadlines

31st October midnight for Local Authority form

31st October 5.00pm Bishop Stopford School A1 form

Miss Silverthorne

Year 11 Progress Review

Progress Review gives parents and carers the opportunity to find out first-hand how students are progressing with their studies, and the review next week for Year 11 is particularly significant.

Preparation is key. Do have conversations at home to prepare questions for subject teachers so that appointments can be really productive.

We have also launched our Year 11 Healthy Habits workshops: a timetable can be found on page 4. Please encourage your child to attend for support over the coming months.

Miss Patrick



Give us this day our daily bread

Matthew 6:11

The Bible

Food for thought

How many of us popped a slice of bread into the toaster this morning? Brown, white, thick-sliced, or thin, granary or rye? Something so ordinary and every day. Our daily bread. Yet a thing so important that Jesus teaches his disciples to include it in their prayer life as one of only 10 lines in The Lord's Prayer.

As we munch through the crunch between slurps of tea, do we offer, I wonder, our thanks to God for answered prayer? I am not sure I think to say thank you as often as I should.

Do we give thanks for the farmer who ploughed the furrows and sowed the seed? The farmhand who rose at dawn to operate the combine harvester for a 14-hour shift, only to begin again as day breaks once more? In our pressured morning minutes, do our minds meditate on the lorry drivers shifting grain to factory on the monotonous grey roads, or on the machine operatives grinding grain to flour, milling millet for the bakers, who are rising at four am with an aching yawn? Do our gladdened bellies greet the day with gratitude because the supermarket shelves are always stocked with our favourite slice?

As we move from the rosy glow of Harvest Festivals and into the swirl of autumn's leaves and the sculptured pumpkins proudly perched on doorsteps, let us remember to say thank you for our daily bread.

Victoria Hutchinson
Lay Chaplain

Core Values in Action Award

If you know of any student who you think is eligible for a Core Values in Action award, please email Mrs Peach on newsletter@bishopstopford.com

Miss Silverthorne

Safe Space

Dear Parents

As you will know, governors have an important role in holding Bishop Stopford School to account for its practices and actions. I am Chair of the Pastoral, Safeguarding and Wellbeing Committee. Our key priorities include close consideration of all matters relating to safety and safeguarding.

In our Committee meeting last week, we were delighted to receive feedback from the Local Authority in respect of a detailed Safeguarding Review which was carried out at our school in September. A specialist from the Local Authority conducted the review, and the following is an extract from their feedback letter:

The school leadership impressed as transparent and open in relation to areas it has identified for future focus. There were lots of examples of positive safeguarding practice and creative approaches to evidence the school's commitment to keeping students and the school safe.

The pupils I spoke with were clear on ways in which they could share and report concerns. Examples were provided to demonstrate how involved they feel with the safeguarding processes at school - which they were all positive and happy about. They shared that staff are visible, they feel safe, they can report concerns anonymously and they know that staff will deal with concerns they share. Students told me that communication is good, consistent whilst also responding to each situation individually. This makes the students feel listened to and they feel that processes are fair.

As governors, we seek assurances in each meeting around safeguarding, and our review of data and practices consistently confirms robustness of practice. We were therefore delighted to have our judgment triangulated through this rigorous and objective review. We are sure that you will be equally delighted that our school's practices are so strong.

Mr S Brading (Governor)

On behalf of the Pastoral, Safeguarding and Wellbeing Committee

Annual Parent Survey

We are reaching out to request your invaluable input to our school's improvement. Your experiences are crucial in helping us to reflect on what we do to provide the best possible education for your children.

As well as surveys for other organisations, we conduct our own annual survey. Last year some parents asked for more information on what their child was studying, and we have since developed termly calendars for you in our Newsletter. We were also able to respond to a number of individual matters raised.

We ask, therefore, for a few minutes of your time to complete the survey: [Parent Survey 2024](#)

It asks about various aspects of your child's education, including:

- Curriculum and academic standards
- Extracurricular activities and opportunities
- School facilities and resources
- Communication and involvement
- Overall satisfaction

The survey is open from Monday 14th October - Monday 4th November.

Thank you for your time and participation.

Mr Harwood

Year 11 Healthy Habits Workshops

Bishop Stopford School

Year 11 Weekly Workshops Autumn/Winter 2024

12:30 every Tuesday lunchtime

When?	Theme	Where?	Staff	Resources you need to bring
1 st Oct	Bishop Revision Plan		RH	
8 th Oct	Revision Resources & Strategies	03L	RL/RH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pens/highlighters o Revision timetable if you have one. o Examples of your own revision for different subjects
15 th	Time Management	03L	RL / RH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Copy of mock exam timetable o Any questions you have!
HALF TERM				
5 th Nov	Advice from Y12s: How to Succeed at GCSE	03L	RH & Y12s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pens/highlighters o Examples of your own revision for different subjects o Questions that you have for former Y11s
12 th Nov	Understanding Perfectionism	03L	RH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pen
19 th Nov	Strategies for Managing Perfectionism	03L	RH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pen
26 th Nov	Healthy Habits and Managing Exam Stress	03L	RH/RL	
4 th -13 th December – MOCKS				



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faith | justice | responsibility | truth | compassion

Miss Patrick

Digital Leaders Programme



We are excited to introduce our new Digital Leaders Hannah Romy (7D), Chloe Omorogb (7C), Thomas Pickford (8Y), Rodney Badger (12Y), Jacob Proctor (12W), Izzy Rodgers (12W) and Evie Till (12D), who will be playing a crucial role in promoting online safety throughout our school. These students will be trained through the **Childnet Digital Leaders Programme**, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to help ensure that we all use the internet safely and responsibly.

Each week they will contribute to the Newsletter, offering valuable advice to both parents and students on how to stay safe online. In addition, the Digital Leaders will assist in organising and running assemblies, workshops and our Online Safety Week.

We are looking for more passionate students to join the Digital Leaders Programme. This is a chance to make a difference for those who are enthusiastic about technology and want to help their peers stay safe online. As a Digital Leader, students gain invaluable experience, meet like-minded students, and have the opportunity to share their knowledge with the school community.

To find out more please contact Mr Reilly jreilly@bishopstopford.com.

Mr Reilly



Sports Congratulations

CRICKET

Congratulations to Elina Patel (8C) who was awarded Batter of the Year for Northants County Cricket Club in the U13 category. Elina scored 1550 runs - the top scorer in the U13s for this season. This is even more impressive as Elina is a year younger than the majority in the U13 category.

Congratulations also to Amish Singodia (8D) who was presented the Under 12 Bowling Award at the Northamptonshire County Cricket Club Presentation for his bowling performance at the Shrewsbury Cricket Festival in the summer.



Congratulations to the following students who have recently been selected for representative teams/squads:

RUGBY

Northampton Saints U17:

William Howes (He also will be available for selection for the U18 Premiership Match Day squads.)

Northampton Saints U16:

Ewan Neeson and Haydn Young

Northampton Saints U15:

Samuel Howes

NETBALL

Northants DPP U13:

Izzy Hackett and Alexandra Howes. Both girls are selected a year young and have also been selected for Northants Storm U12s.

Birmingham Panthers U17 PDP:

Ella Brookes (This the new franchise to the Netball Super League)

HOCKEY

Jude Mitchell (U15) and Haydn Young (U16) have taken part in England Talent Academy Regional Trials with Oxford TA and Cambridge TA respectively.

Mr Young

Year 12 Curriculum – Autumn term 2024

Subject	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
A-Level Art	Introduction Project	Personal Investigation: Independently selected Theme
A-Level Biology	Basic Components Exchange Surfaces and Breathing Transport in Animals	Biological Molecules Transport in Animals (Complete) Transport in Plants
A-Level Business	Entrepreneurship and Leadership The Market	Entrepreneurship and Leadership Market Research and Market Positioning
A-Level Chemistry	Atoms, Ions and Compounds Amount of Substance Basic Concepts Alkanes	Acids and Redox Alkenes Alcohols
A-Level Computer Science	Elements of Computational Thinking	Problem Solving and Programming
A-Level Economics	How Markets work	How Markets work The Macroeconomic Model and Macroeconomic indicators
A-Level English Language and Literature	Paper 2 – <i>Othello</i> and Unseen Texts	Paper 2 - <i>Othello</i>
A-Level English Literature	Introduction Fortnight Focus on unseen poetry and unseen prose extracts <i>Othello</i>	<i>Othello</i>
A-Level French	Teacher 1 – La musique francophone contemporaine Teacher 2 – La famille en voie de changement	Teacher 1 - Au Revoir Les Enfants (FILM) Teacher 2 – Comment on traite les criminels
A-Level Further Maths	Complex Numbers Argand Diagrams Algorithms Graphs and Networks Momentum and Impulse	Argand Diagrams Route Inspection Linear Programming Elastic Collisions in 1D
A-Level Geography	Topic 1 – Changing Places	Topic 2 - Hazards
A-Level Geology	Introduction to Geology Minerals – The Rock Cycle	Earth Structure Minerals – Igneous Rocks Sedimentary Rocks
A-Level History	Tudors: The Reign of Henry VIII – Domestic and Foreign Policy (1485-1509) Russia: The rule of Tsar Nicholas II	Tudors: The Reign of Henry VIII (1509 –1547) Russia: 1917 Revolutions
A-Level Maths	A range of topics including Indices, Surds, Equations, Inequalities and Graphs and Transformation	A range of topics including Differentiation, Probability, Data Collection and Trigonometry

Year 12 Curriculum – Autumn term 2024

A-Level Music	Unit 1 – Recital Preparation Unit 3 – Listening and Appraising	Unit 2 – Free Composition Preparation
A-Level PE	Musculo-Skeletal and Neuromuscular Systems Skill Acquisition and Transfer of Learning Pre-Industrial Sports	The Cardiovascular and Respiratory Systems Coaching Guidance and Feedback Industrial and Post-Industrial Sports
A-Level Physics	Foundations of Physics Charge and Current	Motion Forces in action Energy, Power and Resistance Electric Current Material
A-Level Politics	UK - Democracy and Participation USA – The Constitution	UK - The Constitution USA – Democracy and Participation
A-Level Product Design	Materials and their applications Performance Characteristics	Forming, Redistribution and Addition Processes
Life and Ethics	Artificial Intelligence (RE Topic)	Personal Finances (PSHE Topic)
A-Level RE (Philosophy and Ethics)	Existence of God Situation Ethics Divine Command Theory and Virtue Ethics	Existence of God Situation Ethics Ethical egoism and Natural Law
A-Level Psychology	Approaches and Debates Overview <u>Biopsych</u>	Memory and Research Methods <u>Biopsych</u>
A-Level Sociology	Role of Education Intro to sociological perspectives on the family	Differential Educational Achievement Why have households changed over time?
A-Level Spanish	<i>Los valores tradicionales y modernos</i>	<i>La <u>identidad</u> regional en España</i> <i>El <u>racismo</u></i>
A-Level Theatre Studies	Component 1 – <i>Our Country's Good</i> and <i>Death of an Anarchist</i> Component 2 – Introduction to Styles and Practitioners	Component 1 – <i>Our Country's Good</i> and <i>Death of an Anarchist</i> Component 2 – Introduction to Styles and Practitioners

Wider-Curricular	Year 12 Conference (25.09.24) Culture Day (18.10.24) Clubs and Societies Fair (27.09.24)	Christmas Concert (28.11.24)
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Other	Year 12 Transition Day (04.09.24) Year 12 Parental Information Evening (11.09.24) School Photographs (18.09.24)	Year 12 Reports Issued (22.11.24)
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Hope for Families is delighted to partner with the Bishop Stopford School community! Thank you for choosing to partner with our charity as we seek to bring hope to every family.

Hope for Families is a registered Christian charity supporting and empowering parents, carers and couples living across Northamptonshire and beyond. Through our online and in-person courses and events, we aim to build strong and secure family relationships and increase parents' confidence, enabling brighter and thriving futures for children, carers, couples and families. We focus on parents' existing strengths; encouraging parents to believe in their abilities and empowering them to make positive and sustainable changes in their lives. We encourage parents and carers to engage with each other at a local level and share their experiences to build a support network of their own. We are passionately committed to supporting families from all faith backgrounds and none on their journey, as well as empowering local churches to support parents in this vital role.

To find out more about the work of Hope for Families, please visit our website – <https://hopeforfamilies.org.uk/> - we would love to meet you at one of our future courses/events.

Thank you for choosing to support the work of Hope for Families. We look forward to sharing how your support has made a difference in the lives of local families!



Bishop Stopford Cake Sale!



November 12th at Lunch

Under the Canopy

We are raising money for

Hope for Families!

Bake, Bring & Buy!

Hope for Families is a registered Christian charity supporting families across Corby and the surrounding area.

If you are planning to ice your cake, Hope for Families' colours are RED, YELLOW and BLUE.

A slice of cake will be £1:00

A cupcake will be 50p



Mrs Hutchinson

Louise Willis – Founder/Coordinator of Hope for Families

Recruitment

We currently have the following exciting opportunity for an outstanding and ambitious individual:

Teacher of Economics and Politics Curriculum Assistant

Successful candidates will work alongside colleagues, senior staff and governors and will play an integral part within the school.

Please visit our website vacancy page, where you will be able to view additional information regarding the role.

We hope you are excited by the opportunity to work with us. We look forward to hearing from you.



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WEEK 1

WEEK COMMENCING
02/09/2024 23/09/2024 14/10/2024 04/11/2024 25/11/2024
16/12/2024 06/01/2025 27/01/2025 17/02/2025 10/03/2025
31/03/2025

V - Vegetarian
VE - Vegan

CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS

MONDAY

Beef & Tomato Ragout with Wholegrain Pasta and House Salad

TUESDAY

Butter Chicken Curry with Pilau Rice & Tomato, Red Onion & Coriander Salad

WEDNESDAY

Honey Glazed Gammon, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Veg & House Gravy

THURSDAY

Kung Pao Chicken, Wholegrain & White Egg Fried Rice with Carrot & Sesame Salad

FRIDAY

Chip Shop 'Fryday', Fish, Pizza or Fishcake with Chips, Peas & Tartare Sauce

VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS

MONDAY

Oven Baked Broccoli & Red Pepper Frittata & House Salad (V)

TUESDAY

Lentil & Cauliflower Dhal with Pilau Rice, Tomato, Red Onion and Coriander Salad (VE)

WEDNESDAY

Leek & Spinach Wellington (V)

THURSDAY

Sweet and Sour Vegetable Stir Fry Wholegrain & White Egg Fried Rice (VE)

FRIDAY

Crispy Onion Pakora Burger with Mango Chutney & Garden Peas (VE)

DESSERTS

MONDAY

Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce

TUESDAY

Apple Strudel & Custard

WEDNESDAY

Peach Kuchen

THURSDAY

Pear & Cocoa Sponge

FRIDAY

Manager's Special

FRUIT & YOGHURT POTS AVAILABLE DAILY

HOMEMADE SOUP & FRESHLY BAKED BREAD
Available Daily

JACKET POTATOES
Topped with a Choice of: Cheese, Tuna or Beans Available Daily



MONDAY

Buffalo Cauliflower Wings on Salt & Pepper Wedges (V)

TUESDAY

Garlic & Lemon Chicken Gyros

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Yakitori with Rice

THURSDAY

Loaded Potato Skins (V)

FRIDAY

Manager's Special

NATURALLY

MONDAY

Chilli & Lime Glazed Tofu Skewer with Tomato Rice (VE)

TUESDAY

Vegan Singapore Noodles (VE)

WEDNESDAY

Jerk Jackfruit Open Wrap (VE)

THURSDAY

Pakistani Tarka Dhal (VE)

FRIDAY

Manager's Special

TRATTORIA



MONDAY

Tomato & Basil Pasta

TUESDAY

Creamy Pesto Pasta

WEDNESDAY

Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or Pepperoni Pizza

THURSDAY

Pasta in Cheese Sauce

FRIDAY

Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or BBQ Chicken Pizza

Our Vegetarian and Vegan recipes are approved by the Vegetarian Society.

