



Bishop Stopford School

Week Ending: 4 October 2024

NEWSLETTER



Peterborough Cathedral

Events all week

Govilon Residential 7D & 7Y

Monday 7 October

Year 11 Collective Worship
Yr 6 into 7 Open Morning

Tuesday 8 October

Year 10 Collective Worship
Yr 6 into 7 Open Morning

Wednesday 9 October

Year 8 & 9 Collective Worship
Yr 6 into 7 Open Morning

Thursday 10 October

Year 7 Collective Worship
Yr 6 into 7 Open Evening

Friday 11 October

Professional Development Day

Year 6 Open Events

#BestOfBishop

As we start our year at Bishop Stopford School, we are delighted to be hosting our Open Events next week. Across the school, prospective students will be able to experience what it is like to learn here. Faculties will showcase their subjects and how they fit into our students' education pathways, enabling them to unlock their unique potential.

There will also be an opportunity to see other parts of the school, a highlight of which will be our wellbeing area based in the Library. Parents will be able to meet members of our Pastoral Team. As Key Stage 3 Pastoral Lead, I oversee Years 7, 8 and 9. I hope to meet many of our new students as one of the Transition Team for Bishop Stopford School.

Mr Darker will be Head of Year 7 in September 2025:

"Hello, my name is Mr Darker, and I will be Head of Year 7 next year. We are so happy you are considering joining our school and look forward to welcoming you as part of our Bishop community. I have just started here myself, and although a big change, I have loved every minute of my time working with Year 9. Along with the Year 7 tutors, we understand what a huge change moving from primary to secondary school can be, but with this comes exciting experiences and opportunities for you in Key Stage 3. Our school offers so many opportunities for you to develop and thrive in your area of interest, and we know you will be able to unlock your unique potential."

We look forward to welcoming all of our visitors next week into our Bishop Stopford community.

Mr Stevenson

**Next week:
Week B**

**Assembly Theme:
Black History Month**



We are a Church of England School

When our eldest students support our youngest, 'As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow.'

Nothing thrills me more than seeing students connecting and building relationships across year groups. Bishop is brilliant at this! It is part of our DNA and students pick up on this from the outset. Mentoring, listening, encouraging, supporting is visible- and was very much on show this week when Sixth Form Student Chaplains visited all eight Year 7 tutor groups. They made themselves known, they offered help, shared a little about the plans and purposes of God for each one of us and demonstrated care. They lived out core values in action – Faith, Justice, Responsibility, Truth, Compassion.

He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

Our pop-up GIRL group sessions are another wonderful opportunity for students in all years to sit together and to share experience and learning, to engage with one another across year groups and, this term, to engage with women in the Bible across the millennia!! The next one is Thursday October 10th in the Chapel.



Peterborough Cathedral School Service

On 3 October, schools from around the diocese descended on Peterborough Cathedral for the annual school's service. The cathedral is always packed as we come together to give thanks and to ask for God's protection and guidance over the next academic year.

It has become a tradition for our school to provide a brass ensemble to accompany the singing and for two students to represent the school with Mrs Hutchinson and Miss Silverthorne. The brass ensemble did us proud, with 'My Lighthouse' definitely reaching the rafters of the cathedral!

Alaric (7C) and Harrison (7W) were chosen to represent our school and Miss Silverthorne was so proud of the way they carried themselves throughout the afternoon. It was an amazing moment at the end of the service when Bishop Debbie spent some time speaking to them about the afternoon.

Mrs Hutchinson

Core Values in Action

Our Core Values in Action awards recognise students for embodying our school's values in their local communities. We always love to celebrate their contributions which represent our school so well. The following students will receive a CViA award this week:

Isla Dow (7C), Annabelle Mitchell (7E), Emily Mitchell (10P), Charlie Nixon (12E) for their commitment to getting to school due to the flooding in Grendon. They set off across the fields before 7am to catch their train.

Sophia Howard (10D), Sophia Lorentzen (8E), Thomas Pickford (8Y) who presented at assembly to launch the Year 7 Bishop Award and did a fantastic job.

Liberty Cobbold (8D) held a coffee morning at home and raised £300.00 to help the British Heart Foundation continue its vital work.

Micah Harris and a group from Hope Church created a video of a worship song. Micah was in charge of the recording and mixed and mastered it, played bass and electric guitar. A number of current and former Bishop Stopford School students were involved on the set. The group spent hours and managed this all themselves. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tfE6eyxjP6E&ab_channel=HopeChurch%2CCorby

Mrs Peach

Safe Space

We're delighted to have begun a partnership with the Mental Health Support Team for Northamptonshire. This is a new team, created as part of the long-term NHS strategy to support the wellbeing of young people. The Team will work with us to offer 1:1 and group counselling sessions, but there will also be opportunities for parents and staff to attend training from them too.

Next week, we'll be asking everyone to complete a short survey from the MHS Team which will help them to create bespoke provision for our school and identify key areas for development.

If you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing, or another student that you know, please don't hesitate to be in touch with us via the form tutor, Head of Year or safeguarding@bishopstopford.com.

Mrs Smith

Post 16 Options Event and Options Fair

This week, we were delighted to welcome a range of colleges and further education providers to talk to students in Year 11 about their future options.

Students were involved in sessions learning about the different options available after GCSE study, entry requirements, different student lifestyles on offer and the range of qualifications on available – including A-Levels, BTECs, Vocational qualifications, T-Levels and those achieved through apprenticeships.

Mrs Castle, our Independent Careers Advisor and Careers Lead, said, *'It was wonderful to see our year 11 students engaging so positively in learning about all their possible post 16 pathway options this morning. Our post 16 fair was well attended and our visitors were very impressed with the planned and well thought through questions from our students.'*



Mr Smith

Army Call-Up



Miss Silverthorne had the pleasure last week of presenting Jacob Hicks with his epaulets, badges and certificate for the incredible scholarship he has recently been awarded from the army. She said, 'It has been really humbling to talk to Jacob about what this means to him. He has been so independent and tenacious in achieving what is a really rare scholarship. I am delighted that he has used opportunities we have provided at school as a springboard to reaching such a high standard. This truly has given him the keys to unlock his own, unique potential.'

Jacob is already showing his true colours, sharing his experience with Year 12 students just this week (see the article below). We also look forward to hearing from Jacob in our Remembrance Service in November.

Year 12 Conference Day – Weds 25 September

Last week, we had the pleasure of hosting our annual Year 12 Conference. This packed day included sessions on study skills, post 18 options and young driver awareness. It is a vital element of our curriculum here at Bishop, ensuring that student learning stretches beyond just the classroom. As part of the day, we welcomed Live n Learn and Keith Mallard from Kier to assist in delivering sessions, alongside Mrs McNab and Mrs Styles.

We were also fortunate that Jacob Hicks in Year 13 led part of a presentation on Post 18 options, sharing his experience of successfully gaining a scholarship to complete his studies in Year 13, a subsequent scholarship for his degree followed by a place to start basic training with the Armed Forces. Live n Learn provided an informative session on A-Level study skills and time management whilst Keith delivered a thought provoking and reflective session on the risks young drivers face.

We know our Year 12 students have plenty of 'take aways' from the day. Feedback from students was strong, with over 80% saying their knowledge of how to organise their time had improved.

Miss Whitehead

Library News

October is Black History Month. The library has a collection of fiction and non-fiction books available to encourage and support students with wider reading on this topic: [Black History Month](#)

A list of suggested reading and links to more information can be found on Firefly: [BHM in the Library](#)

Miss. Wood

Sports News

Congratulations to Yuvraj Sahota (9G) who was presented with the Matthews Merit Award at Corby Wilson Browne Awards evening for youth cricket.

Mr Drew



Year 11 Curriculum – Autumn term 2024

Subject	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2
GCSE Art	<u>Coursework Consolidation</u> Refinement of Year 10 coursework and the development of ideas towards a personal response	
GCSE Computer Science	Algorithms	Programming Fundamentals
GCSE Drama	<u>Devising Portfolio</u> Preparation of the final coursework draft	<u>Scripted Pieces</u> Work on the staging and design of these
GCSE English	English Language Paper 2	<i>A Christmas Carol</i>
GCSE Food	Special Diets and High-Level Skills	
GCSE French (Core)	Holidays	Global Issues
GCSE Geography	Changing Economic World	Changing Economic World Mock Exam and Feedback
GCSE Health and Social Care	PSA 2 (Released in September)	Complete PSA2 Start Component 3
GCSE History	Hitler's Rise to Power: 1919-33 (Unit started in Year 10) Nazi Control and Dictatorship: 1933-39	Life in Nazi Germany: 1933-39
GCSE Maths	Sine and Cosine Rule Iteration Non Linear Simultaneous Equations Surface Area and Volume 2	<i>Quadratic Sequences (Higher sets only)</i> Gradient and Area of Graphs Vectors <i>Equation of a Circle (Higher sets only)</i>
GCSE Music	<u>Coursework and Unit 3 Exam Prep</u>	<u>Coursework and Unit 3 Exam Prep</u>
Core PE	Rugby and Basketball (Boys) Netball / Football / Rugby (Girls)	Football and Table Tennis (Boys) Hockey / Basketball (Girls)
GCSE PE	Written Coursework – Analysis Socio-Cultural Influences	Socio-Cultural Influences (Complete)



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GCSE Product Design	Design Ventura	Mock NEA
PSHE	Media Representation in the media and body image / Representation of drug culture / Sexualisation and the Media	Careers – life at 16 and beyond CV writing / Personal Statements / Payslips, tax and NI
GCSE RE	Theme D – Religion, Peace and Conflict	Theme E – Crime and Punishment
GCSE Science (Triple)	Biology: Complete Module 5: Responses Chemistry: Complete Module 5: Energy changes, Rates and Equilibrium. Start Module 6 Physics: Continue Module 5 Forces	Biology: Start Module 6 Genetics Chemistry: Continue Module 6: Crude oil, fuels and chemical analysis. Physics: Complete Module 5 Forces Start Module 6 Waves
GCSE Science (Trilogy)	Teacher A: Complete Biology Module 5: Response Start Biology Module 6: Genetics Teacher B: Complete Chemistry Module 5: Energy changes, Rates and Equilibrium. Start Chemistry Module 6: Crude oil, fuels and chemical analysis	Teacher A: Continue Biology Module 6: Genetics Teacher B: Complete Chemistry Module 6: Crude oil, fuels and chemical analysis Complete Chemistry Module 7: Earth's Atmosphere and resources Start Physics Module 5: Forces
GCSE Spanish (Option)	Holidays	Global Issues
GCSE Textiles	NEA	

Wider-Curricular	Culture Day (18.10.24)	Christmas Concert (28.11.24) Year 11 Winter House Games (18.12.24)
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Other	Year 11 return to school (05.09.24) School Photographs (18.09.24) Supporting your Year 11 child Event (26.09.24) Year 11 Post-16 Options Morning (03.10.24) Year 11 Reports issued (10.10.24) Year 11 Progress Review (17.10.24)	Year 11 into 12 Open Evening (19.11.24) Year 11 Mocks (04.12.24 to 13.12.24) Mock Art Exam (16.12.24)
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Bishop Stopford School

faith | justice | responsibility | truth | compassion

Year 6 into 7 Open Events



Open Mornings 2024

Monday 7, Tuesday 8, Wednesday 9 October
9:45 – 11:45am



Scan the QR Code or [click here](#) to book.

Open Evening 2024

Thursday 10 October

5:30 – 8:30pm

Headteacher's Presentation: 5:45pm, 6:30pm

Disabled Parking only on school site.

Open Evening: FREE Park & Ride
Cornmarket Car Park, NN15 7QA



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Recruitment

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

Economics or Politics Teacher at Bishop Stopford School

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 3

WEEK COMMENCING

26/08/2024 16/09/2024 07/10/2024 28/10/2024 18/11/2024

09/12/2024 30/12/2024 20/01/2025 10/02/2025 03/03/2025

V ~ Vegetarian
VE ~ Vegan

CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS

VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS

MONDAY

Mozambique Piri Piri Chicken, Fragrant Rice & Crunchy Slaw

TUESDAY

Chicken Makhani Curry with Braised Pilau Rice

WEDNESDAY

Roast Shoulder or Pork, Crackling, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Veg & House Gravy

THURSDAY

Szechuan Beef Noodles with Sesame Stir Fried Greens

FRIDAY

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

MONDAY

Harissa Roasted Sweet Potato & Chickpea Tagine (VE)

TUESDAY

Sri Lankan Split Pea & Cauliflower Curry with Pilau Rice (VE)

WEDNESDAY

Sweet Potato & Goats Cheese Tart with Seasonal Veg or House Salad (V)

THURSDAY

Asian Vegetable, Soya Bean & Noodle Stir Fry (VE)

FRIDAY

Vegan Falafel Kofta with Crunchy Sriracha Slaw, Chips & Peas (VE)

DESSERTS

MONDAY

Pineapple Upside Down Cake

TUESDAY

Warm Blueberry Sponge

WEDNESDAY

Dropped Pancake Bar

THURSDAY

Apple & Mixed Berry Crumble with Vanilla Sauce

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

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street VIBES

MONDAY

Chinese Style Vegan Noodles (VE)

TUESDAY

Chipotle Chicken Chimichanga

WEDNESDAY

Loaded Mediterranean Street Cart Wedges

THURSDAY

Thai Fried Rice

FRIDAY

Manager's Special

NATURally

MONDAY

Fork Friendly Falafel Kebab (V)

TUESDAY

Smoked Tofu & Capanata Burger (V)

WEDNESDAY

Seeded Vegan Sausage Roll (VE)

THURSDAY

Onion Bhaji Skewer with Bombay Potatoes (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.

