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5.9.19– Newsletter

A very warm welcome back on behalf of everyone at the school! We hope that you had an enjoyable summer and good break.

New Faces

I would like to extend a special welcome to all of our new Explorers and their families who have started school this week. Such a special and important time for children and parents and it has been fantastic to see how the class has been settling into life at Bishop. I would also like to mention a number of other children who have started in classes around the school and sincerely hope that your children have enjoyed their first few days. We are delighted that you are now part of our Bishop School Community!

A Gentle Reminder

Just a reminder that we ask that children do not play on the outside climbing equipment before or after school. The safety of the children is very important to us and we do not want any accidents to occur during these times. We very much appreciate your support with this.

School Jotter App

Please make sure you have adjusted your settings to the School Jotter App to reflect the class your child is now in if they have moved. This is our main way of communicating information to parents, so please make sure you are checking it and updating the app when required. For any advice, please come to the office.

Building Work

As you are aware, money is incredibly tight in all schools currently and that is certainly the case here at Bishop. However, we have continued to try and make improvements wherever possible to make our school a safe and comfortable learning environment. With a donation of £4000 covering half of the cost, FOBS have supported us in having a new hall floor laid over the summer and it looks fantastic! I am however now very precious about this floor and have asked all adults and children to walk on tiptoes when they are in there! We have also managed to refurbish all of the toilets in the main school building. Whilst we were unable to completely change and update these spaces, the work done certainly improves the spaces and aroma surrounding them!

New classes/transition

Many adults in school have commented on how well the children have settled into their new classes since Tuesday. As I mentioned in the summer, we reviewed our transition procedures and improved a number of aspects around how we prepare the children for the move to their new classes. From what we have seen and heard, it would appear to have made a significant difference with our children appearing confident and happy in their new environments and the adults and children working alongside them.

Pupil Voice

In assembly this week, we started to think about returning to school after the summer break and considering the roles that children and staff play in school life. We were so amazed how the children immediately started thinking carefully about this and were eager to share their ideas! Here is a great example from someone who only joined our school this week-

What is the adults' role in school?

'To keep us safe and to help us learn.'

What should adults do every day?

'They should come in happy and not come in with a groan!'

What is the children's role in school?

'Children should respect the adults.' Riley- Y4

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,



Dave Killoran
(Headteacher)

FUTURE DATES (more dates to follow soon when we have made further arrangements!)

Monday 21st October-Friday 25th October	Half Term
Friday 20th December	Last day of the Autumn Term