

Autumn  
2024

## BISPHAM DRIVE JUNIOR SCHOOL

21st Century Learning for the 21st Century Child



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Bispham Drive  
Junior School  
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September 20th 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Two full weeks in and routines are becoming well established once more. The children are learning well and behaviour is of a very high standard, who could ask for more. This week, every child in school marked National Fitness Day by taking part in energetic games of Dodgeball, which, by the laughter I heard from the hall, were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

I have updated the key dates list this week. We have secured places at film showings for years 3, 4 and 6 as part of the Into Film Festival 2024. Year 5 have a wonderful trip to Nottingham Castle organised as well. So the first of our trips and visits of the year are sorted out.

From time to time I get asked to use my parent communication to pass on information. This week it is the NHS Healthy Family Team who have asked me to share a letter about the services that are available to you. It is attached to this bulletin.

From time to time I also share fundraising that some of our pupils do. Joshua in year 6 will be running part of the marathon on September 29th in support of the Zephyr's charity. He has a just giving page if you wish to support him. [https://www.justgiving.com/page/louise-nightingale-1726002100030?utm\\_term=mma4w2y5G](https://www.justgiving.com/page/louise-nightingale-1726002100030?utm_term=mma4w2y5G)

I have enjoyed seeing many of you at the parent meetings this week. Both myself and the staff have found them very positive and we know we are going to work well together to support the children. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Andrea Goetzee,

Headteacher

## Notices

BFG events - The Bispham Friends Group is our wonderful group of fundraisers. They organise a number of events across the year that bring invaluable extra funds into school that benefit all pupils. Recent purchases have included the playground shed and all the equipment it contains; the much used picnic benches; a class set of glockenspiels to support music teaching. In the past they have funded our 'Hobbit Hut' and reading circle, our radio station and our audio visual equipment. None of which we would have without them.

A number of fundraising events have already been scheduled for this year and I am sure you would like to save the dates. Full details including booking information will be shared closer to each date.

14th October - Film night for children, Inside Out 2

29th November - Christmas Disco 6.00 – 8.00 pm

10th February - Film night for children, film TBC

28th March - Spring Disco

27th June - Summer Fair 5.30 - 8.00 pm

The BFG work very hard to run these events. They are an open and friendly group who would welcome new members. So whether you are able to help plan events or would prefer just to staff the bar for half an hour or sell raffle tickets please get in touch. They are on Facebook or can be contacted via email at [bfgmail@bisphamdrive.net](mailto:bfgmail@bisphamdrive.net)

## Key Dates

### September

25th Individual pupil photos

27th Year 6 Visit the Safety Zone

### October

3rd National Poetry Day

4th Flu immunization

w/c 7th Year 5 residential visits

10th World Mental Health Day

18th Behaviour Reward Afternoon and end of half term

### November

4th Back to school

Year 5 visit to Nottingham Castle

4th Parents' evening

6th Parents' evening

w/c 11th Anti Bullying Week - theme

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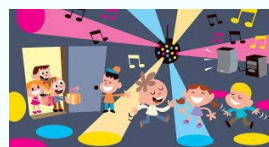
w/c 18th UK Parliament Week

20th Year 3 cinema visit

22nd Non-uniform day - chocolate donation for the Christmas Disco

28th Years 4 and 6 cinema visit

29th BFG Christmas Disco



## Headteacher Awards



Year 3 - Colby,

Year 4 - Ambika, Teo, Olivia, Charlotte

Year 5 - Olive, Isaac, Elsie F, Emmett, Esme, Maleah Mae, Saif, Arla, William, Corey, Ethan, Mason, Logan, Ava

Year 6 - Betsy, Sansa, William, Jasper, Farha, Amelia-Alice, Aarav, Maillley, Ada

## Important Medical Information

We are constantly reviewing how we manage medicines in school and as part of this would like to compile a current list of all of the children who should have inhalers with them. It may surprise you to know that many children are not quite sure whether they currently need it or not. Please will you email the school office if your child uses an inhaler so we can do regular checks. This information will be kept securely and only be used for checks or for teachers to know precisely who should have an inhaler when we go out of school.

**EPIPENS** - If we hold an EpiPen in school for your child we will review the use by dates and let you know when they need renewing.

Please help us to help your child by keeping us up to date with any changes to their medical needs, particularly if this relates to medication or emergency aid.