

Bishop Road Primary School

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Head Teacher Letter No.1/24-25

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to all our families to the new academic year at Bishop Road. If this is your first year with us we hope you will soon feel part of the community and that your children will settle in to enjoying their learning.

It has been a busy summer at school. The bell and tower restoration has been completed, halls have been refreshed and the giant letters down the Silverthorne outside corridor have been transformed into a visual treat, telling the story of artistic achievement. Many other less noticeable but very important aspects have been improved. It all makes for a pleasing and purposeful learning environment which keeps our school refreshed and serviceable. Well done to everyone involved!

I enclose the date list for this term and several other attachments, I hope this helps you plan accordingly.

This year we are beginning two new projects which I hope you soon hear about from your children.

- Exploring the inventors and inventions that shaped our world
- “Beautiful useful things” the work and inspiration of William Morris – a practical response to the theme which will end with an exhibition for you to visit in term six

Our projects are exciting learning opportunities that run across the school. We place appropriate books in the library and classrooms, offer staff training and complete lessons to help children explore the ideas. We all enjoy them here and I hope you will share the topics with your children at home too.



Dates for INSET 2024–2025

Thursday 5th Sept

Friday 6th Sept

Monday 4th Nov

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

This means term 6 will end on Friday 18th July 2025. The two training days will be deployed through six valuable training evenings for teachers across the year.

INSET Days this week

Thursday 5th September is focused on the inventions project.

Friday 6th September is our annual whole staff meeting and health and safeguarding training.

Census Day

On Thursday 3rd October we take the school census. Our funding is mainly based on the number of children on roll at that time. We also receive money according to the number of children who take a free school meal on that day. Please only let us know if you are unhappy for your child to have a free meal in Reception, Years 1 or 2. The menu will be Fish and Chips and a vegetarian option. Thank you!

Thank you so much for all your enthusiasm for the school and the support you give us. I look forward to seeing you at the various events this year. I know you will welcome in our new children and families and help us to continue keeping our school a happy, meaningful and successful community.

Yours sincerely,



Gillian Powe
Head Teacher

