Bishop Road Primary School

Bishop Road, Bristol BS7 8LS



Head Teacher: Gillian Powe

Deputy Head Teacher: Joe Emissah

Friday 25th April 2025

Head Teacher Letter No.6/24-25

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following my decision to retire at the end of this academic year the Governing Body planned and has now undertaken a selection process. I am delighted to tell you that interviews took place this week and that Joseph Emissah has been appointed Head Teacher of Bishop Road from the 1st September 2025.

I am sure you will join me in offering all our sincere congratulations to Mr Emissah at his success, our full support as he takes on the role in the near future and our very best wishes for his personal wellbeing. This decision is the beginning of a new chapter in the long story of the Bishop Road School Community, which I am sure will see both the preservation of the very best elements of our large and vibrant school and the adaptation and change that the challenges and circumstances of the future will bring.

Mr Emissah is the very best person to take the school forward. As my closest colleague for many years we have worked together to make the school a successful and happy place. I wish him every possible best wishes for the new era.

Thank you for your consistent support and encouragement of the school which underpins and uplifts the staff and children of our special school.

I am looking forward to the following weeks of events and opportunities, not least of which will be my final season of summer performances. I have chosen many favourites and hope to see you there to enjoy seeing the children doing their very best for us all.

Below is the list of summer performance titles, with the usual exception of the Year 6 play, which will be circulated in a few weeks' time. The full dates and times are available on the website.



Spring Summer Season At Bishop Road

Reception	The Little Muncher
Year 1	The Bee Musical
Year 2	Nightingale
Year 3	The Vikings / The Romans
Year 4	Mystery at Magpie Manor
Year 5	Alice the Musical
Year 6	To be Announced!

School Dinner Information

A reminder that the dinner money has increase from £2.50 a day to £2.80 as of 1st April 2025.

Polling Day - Thursday 1st May 2025

The school is to be used as a polling station on Thursday 1st May. As they require the use of an independent entrance, children in RK and RM will be based in the Green Rooms situated in the Silverthorne playground. A separate letter went out to RK and RM parents on Wednesday.

Class 5L and 5G will meet in the Silverthorne Hall and they will spend the day in the Paul Dirac Centre, returning both for lunch time and the end of the day to the Silverthorne Hall. Thank you for your support for these arrangements.

Further Date Reminders for this Year

Friday 23rd May Term 5 ends Monday 2nd June Term 6 begins Friday 18th July Term 6 ends

Term 1 starts on Tuesday 2nd September 2025

All INSET Days are now set for the academic year 2025-2026
Thursday 4th September 2025
Friday 5th September 2025
Monday 3rd November 2025
Monday 5th January 2026
Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Yours sincerely,

Gillian Powe

Head Teacher



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