

Personal Development

From Govilion and The Scillies, Sports Days and theatre trips, University and Apprenticeship visits – personal development is at the heart of Bishop Stopford School. As part of this, the PSHE curriculum is designed to help our students to stay healthy, safe, prepared for life and ready for the workplace in modern Britain. Our ambition is to equip all students with the skills, knowledge and character they need to achieve their unique potential.

PSHE stands for *personal, social, health and economic* education. The 'E' in PSHE covers economic wellbeing and careers – vital parts of the subject that are so important to young people.

Our curriculum in each key stage is centred around 6 Core Themes. These core themes are:

- Relationships and Sex Education
- Health and Wellbeing
- Staying Safe On and Offline
- Rights/Responsibilities and British Values
- Life Beyond School
- Celebrating Diversity and Equality

Relationships and Sex Education along with Health Education (both mental and physical) are often summarised as 'RSHE' and is carefully planned and sequenced by our team. We aim to support students across all Key Stages as they develop both physically and emotionally, helping them to transition from childhood to adulthood. RSHE equips students to understand the importance of consent and the law, recognising and responding to harmful behaviours, and understanding healthy and unhealthy relationships – both in the real world and online.

The curriculum in PSHE is an interconnected and spiralling curriculum which means that it is sequenced in such a way that topics and ideas are introduced, overlapped and extended across all key stages. Students should expect topics to overlap across their study, broadening and deepening their knowledge of these key areas each time, and in an age-appropriate way.

From Year 7 to Year 13, PSHE is delivered through core PSHE lessons alongside tutorial programmes and is complemented by the knowledge and skills delivered across a range of curriculum subjects; for example, Physical Education, Science, Food Technology, Religious Education and more.

Mr Harwood



Week B Assembly Theme

Community Christmas Appeal

Monday 27 November
Year 11 Assembly

Tuesday 28 November
Year 10 Assembly
Christmas Concert 7pm

Wednesday 29 November
Year 8 & 9 Assembly
Year 13 - Computer Science in
Action Conference

Thursday 30 November
Year 7 Assembly
Year 13 progress review

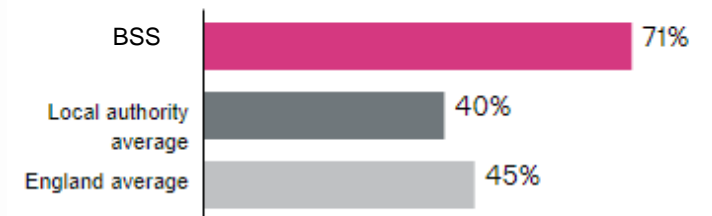
Friday 1 December
Year 12 & 13 Assembly
Year 8 Communion

Bishop is excellent because...

GCSE 2023

Grade 5 or above in English & maths
GCSEs

This tells you the percentage of pupils who achieved grade 5 or above in English and maths GCSEs.



INTERFAITH CONVERSATIONS in assembly this week



Manasvi and Catherine are two of our sixth form students who did not know each other particularly, prior to leading assemblies this week. As they met and worked together to plan the week, they shared stories of their experiences of faith and their beliefs. This aptly and beautifully demonstrates the importance of finding out about other peoples' belief systems and why it matters to them.

Interfaith Week (12-19 November) is a week which seeks to bring faith communities together and to raise awareness between people of religious and non-religious beliefs. As we consider our core value of Faith, we want to acknowledge and value all those within our school and to show how we can live well, side by side, celebrating the things which unite us and being curious about our differences.

I want to encourage us to be like Catherine and Manasvi: to be open to share and listen, to respect and to value one another in our community here, and beyond. Let our lives and 'conversations be always full grace' (Colossians 4:6)

Catherine: *"This week has been such an amazing opportunity for me to tell others about my faith. I hope that others have enjoyed listening to this assembly and have learned more about faith and its importance to others."*

Manasvi: *"Thank you so much for this opportunity, I am so glad I had the chance to share about Hinduism and build a friendship at the same time."*

Mrs Hutchinson

Non-Uniform Day Donations

The total raised last Friday is £2,128. This amount will be shared between Children in Need and Sebastian's Fund Thank you to all those who contributed.

Miss Silverthorne

Safe Space

As we move ever closer to the festive season, the days are getting colder and darker. Students are regularly travelling in the dark, so here are some ways they can be safe at this time of year.

- All students who are cycling should have bike lights at the front and back and a spare set in their bag in case a battery fails.
- Students should think about what they are wearing and how visible they are, especially to cars. Winter coats are often very dark, but a splash of colour from a hat, scarf or small reflective element can be helpful to ensure students are visible. This is especially important when crossing roads.
- We'd encourage students to only use one ear bud, or to reduce the volume of their headphones so that they can hear approaching vehicles or other pedestrians.

Mrs Smith

Parent Governor Elections

As you will be aware, we currently have two parent governor vacancies. Our Governing Board needs a balance and diversity of knowledge, skills and experience. Parents from ethnic minorities, women and those with disabilities are currently under-represented and we particularly encourage representation from these groups.

Information regarding the elections was sent to all parents/carers last Friday. If you would like to stand for election, please complete the nomination form and personal statement and return to Laura Wood (lwood@bishopstopford.com) by **Monday 27 November**.

Miss Silverthorne

Celebration of Achievement

Our annual Celebration of Achievement takes place on Monday 18 December. Invitations have been sent to parents of students who completed GCSEs or A Levels last summer. The event is very popular, so if you would like to attend, please book your tickets by **3pm on Monday 11 December** (using the link included in your invitation).

If you/your child are unable to attend the event, there will be an opportunity to collect exam certificates in January.

Mrs Wood

Music News

Congratulations to the following students :

Ankita Kanoor (7W) passed her grade 2 piano exam with merit.
Sophie Howard (9D) passed her Grade 5 piano exam with merit
Ella Clark (11C) passed her grade 8 voice with distinction.



Mrs Armstrong

Northamptonshire Sporting Community Awards 2023

We have once again been recognised for our PE and sport delivery in achieving the **Secondary Sports School of the Year award for the second year running**. We are very proud to be recognised for our inclusive curriculum which results in significant progress and engagement from our fantastic student body.

The awards, made by North Northamptonshire Council, encompasses Corby, Kettering, East Northamptonshire and Wellingborough. They recognise and celebrate local, regional and international sporting excellence.

As well as our school's award, we are very pleased to announce that several students were also nominated for awards in recognition for their hard work, commitment, and achievements over the past year. All nominees were in a strong field and just the nomination is significant recognition of their attainments.

Congratulations to:

Young Volunteer: Erin Grant (Yr 13) for her tireless work with Northants Storm Netball Club junior section.

Disability Sports Performer: Imogen Dodds (9Y) for her remarkable achievements in the England Para Swimming Talent programme.

Young Sports Performer: Sammy Lok (Yr 12) in the field of Decathlon and his top 10 age group UK ranking.



Northampton Saints Developing Players' Programme

The selection process for this season's Saints Rugby Development Programme has concluded. Congratulations to the following students on their identification and selection for this season.

U14 DPP: Reuben Parnell, Samuel Howes

U15 DPP: Ewan Neeson, Jared Brooks, Haydn Young

U16 DPP: Lucas Veevers

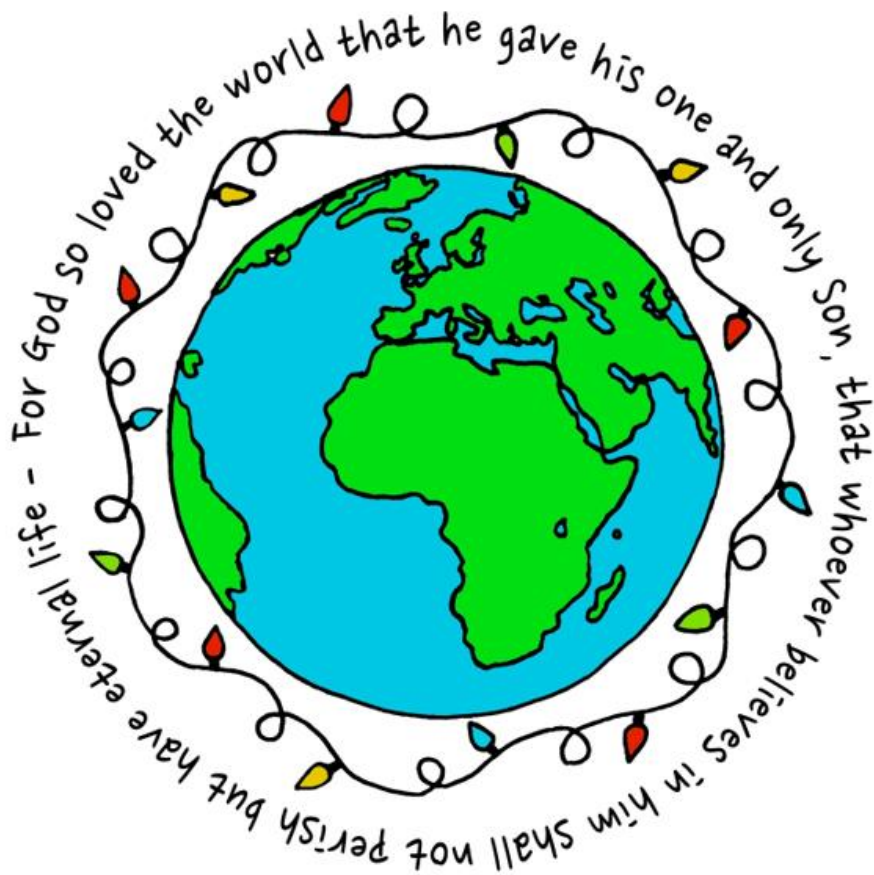
U16 PDG: William Howes

We wish the boys all the best for the rest of the season.

Mr Young



Carol Service



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**Monday 4 December
6:30 - 7:30pm
Parish Church of
St Peter and St Paul
Market Place
Kettering
NN16 0AL**

You are warmly invited to join us at our annual Carol Service at our local parish church. This is a significant expression of our faith ethos and an opportunity for us to come together and consider the true meaning of Christmas. Our theme this year is 'Christmas around the World'. The Carol Service will feature artwork, prayers, readings and poems as well as music from many of our students. (No booking required)

Miss Silverthorne

The Big Ambition



The Children's Commissioner has launched [The Big Ambition survey](https://childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition) to understand what children want ahead of the next General Election. Please share this link or QR code with young people so they can have their say: <https://childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition>.

Online: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk

Miss Silverthorne



DofE

Check your eDofE account!

THERE WILL BE A CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENT ASSEMBLY FOR ALL STUDENTS TO RECEIVE THEIR COMPLETED AWARD.

PLEASE CHECK THAT YOUR AWARD HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND APPROVED BY NOV 30TH.

IF NOT YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR.



Mrs Smith

Christmas Dinner

CHRISTMAS FEAST

13th Dec for years 7 – 9

14th Dec for years 10 - 13

Roast Turkey, Stuffing & Pigs in Blankets

OR

Vegan Soya Bean & Cranberry Wellington

Both Served with Seasonal Vegetables,

Roast Potatoes & Gravy

&

Christmas Pudding with Vanilla Sauce

OR

Stained Glass Window Shortbread

Two Courses for £2.60

Payment to be made via ParentPay by the 8th December

Miss Curchin

RECRUITMENT



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

Teacher of Maths

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 1

WEEK COMMENCING
 4/11/2023 27/11/2023 18/12/2023 08/01/2024 29/01/2024 19/02/2024
 11/03/2024 01/04/2024 22/04/2024 13/05/2024 03/06/2024
 24/06/2024 15/07/2024

V – Vegetarian
VE - Vegan

CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS		VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS	
MONDAY	Beef & Tomato Ragout with Wholegrain Pasta & House Salad	MONDAY	Plant Based Ragout with Wholegrain Pasta & House Salad (VE)
TUESDAY	Kung Pao Chicken, Wholegrain & White Egg Fried Rice with Carrot & Sesame Salad	TUESDAY	Asian Vegetable, Soya Bean & noodle Stir Fry with Carrot & Sesame Salad (V)
WEDNESDAY	Glazed British Roast Gammon, Crisp Roasties, Roasted Roots & Gravy	WEDNESDAY	Baked Macaroni in our Cheesy Sauce with a Crunchy Topping (V)
THURSDAY	Authentic Chicken Biryani with Tomato, Red Onion & Coriander Salad	THURSDAY	Authentic Vegetable Biryani with Tomato, Red onion & Coriander Salad(VE)
FRIDAY	Chip Shop 'Fryday', Fish, Pizza or Fishcake with Chips , Peas & Tartare Sauce	FRIDAY	Jamaican Squash Pasty, Sweet Chilli Sauce & Chunky Chips (VE)

DESSERTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mixed Berry & Apple Crumble with Cream	American Style Pancake Bar with Fruit Toppings	Pineapple Upside Down Pudding with Vanilla Custard	Banoffee Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard	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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Buffalo Cauliflower Wings on Salt & Pepper Wedges (V)	Greek Souvlaki Chicken	Korean Crispy Fried Chicken	Mei Goreng Indonesian Fried Noodles (V)	Manager's Special

NATURally

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Moroccan Cous Cous & Falafel Bowl (V)	Vegan Bean & Jalapeno Burrito (VE)	Spiced Paneer & Red Onion Naan (V)	The Big Plant Burger (VE)	Vegan Singapore Noodles (VE)

TRATTORIA

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Basil Pasta	Manager's Special Pasta	Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or Spicy Sausage Pizza	Manager's Special Pasta	Mozzarella & Tomato Pizza Or Piri Piri Chicken Pizza

Our Vegetarian and Vegan recipes are approved by the Vegetarian Society.