

Monday 29 January

Yr 11 Assembly Yr 10 Computer Science Trip

Tuesday 30 January Yr 10 Assembly

Wednesday 31 January Yr 8 & 9 Assembly

Thursday 1 February Yr 7 Assembly

Friday 2 February
Yr 12 & 13 Assembly
Yr 11 Reports issued

Events all week
Yr 13 Mocks
31 January – 9 February

Next week: Week A

Assembly Theme:
Faith Stories:
Lives in God's hands

Careers in 'Running'!

#BestOfBishop

A key part of our Personal Development curriculum is Careers Education. We are really proud that we have been awarded the industry standard Gold Quality in Careers award for this aspect of personal development.

Our programme is commended for its many elements, including interactions with employers and providers of apprenticeships and higher education. We also offer work experience in Year 12, a 'Take Your Child to Work Day' and many other opportunities relating to specific career areas. We teach students about managing money, understanding payslips, employment rights and how to construct an effective CV through PSHE and tutorial.

Year 7 students undertake work experience as 'Office Runner'. They work with the Reception team to keep our school running smoothly. In taking on this role, students learn how to organise and prioritise work and how to interact with visitors and staff. They gain an insight into how school works and practise our core value of Responsibility. Runners reflect on what they have learnt about themselves and the workplace in a handbook which supports the experience.

Amelie, one of our hardworking Runners this week, said: 'It's a big challenge but it's good fun. I got to meet lots of people, like the receptionists and some of our visitors. I would do it again.'

As we aim for all students to leave us socially equipped and resilient, taking on the role of student runner is a great early step on this journey.

Mr S Smith



We are a Church of England School



In Christ Alone: Year 7 Eucharist

Voices raised in song. Prayers lifted high. Bible verses spoken with clarity and assurance. This was the Year 7 Eucharist last Friday. What a delight and joy!

As we shared this precious time together, wonderfully led by Rev'd Nicki Hobbs, I found myself thanking God yet again for the enormous privilege of being Chaplain at Bishop Stopford School, witnessing the heart of Jesus and the work of the Holy Spirit, time after time, in this place.

The enthusiasm of Year 7 is contagious and our four young volunteers reading and praying aloud did an exceptional job along with our four willing servers and two Year 7 singers in our Worship Band. Standing in front of your own year group in this way is brilliant, bold and courageous. No truer, then, than the words we sang together as a year group: *In Christ alone my hope is found: He is my light, my strength, my song.*

Mrs Hutchinson Lay Chaplain

Safe Space

This week, we welcomed Mick Leonard, our local Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) into school. Northamptonshire Police has now allocated PCSOs regular time in schools. We are pleased to support this initiative, as it gives opportunities for young people to talk to our PCSO about any matters which concern them in the local area and particularly how to stay safe. Mick is also able to offer opportunities to discuss career options within policing.

Mick's time at Bishop Stopford School will be once a fortnight on a Monday. He will also be joining Duty Staff on the Headlands fortnightly, so please do speak with him if you have any of your own questions.

Mrs Smith



Key Stage 4 Study Club

Just a reminder that we are still operating an after-school study space for Years 10 and 11 students only.

This is available Tuesdays to Fridays from 3.15pm until 4.45pm.

We have selected C3 as the study space as it has IT facilities, should students wish to use them.

As per the Sixth Form Study Centre, it is a silent space and will really benefit students who may find it difficult to learn or revise at home in the evenings. We are hoping that it will be a particularly useful resource for students in the run-up to the calendared mock and public examinations.

Spaces are limited to 20 students each session and bookings can be made by Priority 1 parents/carers via Key Stage 4 Study Club

If the study space is over-subscribed, then students can still book spaces in the main Homework Club in the Library.

Mr Kirke

Geography beyond Bishop!

Our Year 11 Geographers recently visited Stratford in East London as part of their GCSE compulsory fieldwork. They carried out a fieldwork investigation into the regeneration of the area due to the Olympic games in 2012.

Students compared the contrasting areas of investment; East Village with Stratford town centre as well as the social benefits of the Westfield's shopping centre which employs 10,000 people. They also looked at the environmental changes to the River Lea and visited the Here East Innovation Centre to see how regeneration has benefited the local community. They then recorded data on the sense of place and quality of the environment.

Our students – as ever - were superbly behaved and an absolute credit to our school; they were a pleasure to spend time with. Mr Coe, "really enjoyed supporting the learning on the Wednesday trip and has never seen such a litter free coach!"

Our students thoroughly engaged with the learning and said the following about their fieldtrip experience:

"It has helped me understand the regeneration project which is one of my Geography case studies. For example, we visited the velodrome which is now used for children to learn to ride their bikes."

"It was useful to see the regeneration. For example, photography showed the more modern version versus the old. Seeing it in person has helped me see the changes more and I remember it because I experienced it!"

Feel free to ask your child about the trip and the learning they have consolidated for their upcoming GCSE exams.

We look forward to reporting back after our upcoming fieldtrips to Carding Mill Valley in March with Year 10.

Mrs Harvey



Year 9 Curriculum Schedule – Spring Term

Subject	Spring Term 1		Spring Term 2			
Art	Cubism		Cubism			
Computer Science	Python Programming		Media Animation			
DT	Food (Unit 1) Food Science Raising Agents	Food (Unit 2) Teenage Diets Vegetarianism	Advanc	Textiles ed Techniques mental impact ion	Product Design Contexts as starting points. Design Development Testing Functional Prototypes	
Drama	Rotation Project 1 – Too much punch for Judy		Rotation Projection 2 – The History of Pantomime.			
English	Dystopian Writing			Poetry of our Lives		
French	<u>Vivre Sainemen</u> Food, Drink and Health					
Geography	Topical Geography Including censorship in China, the dark side of Tourism in Thailand and illegal migration in the USA		<u>Climate Change</u> Includes a specific focus on the Maldives			
History	World War Two Causes and Events			<u>The Cold War</u> Causes, Events and Consequences		
Maths	Proportion, Map Scales, Angles, Pythagoras and Trigonometry		Substitution Recap, Drawing straight line graphs.			
Music	Reggae		Film Music			
PE	Developing Resilience Outwitting Opponents		Getting the best from my team			
PSHE	Rights, Responsibilities and British Values Focus on Extremism, Terrorism and Radicalisation					
RE (GCSE)	Christianity – Beliefs and Teachings					
Science	Maths Skills Biology Revision		Working Scientifically Chemistry Revision			
Spanish	Jobs and Technology					
Wider-Curricular	Intermediate Maths Challenge (31.01 Safer Internet Day (05.02.24)		.24)	Year 9 Communion (08.03.24) Bronze DofE Expedition Bishop Book Week (including Readathon) Year 9 Spring House Games (13.03.24)		
Other	Year 9 Reports issued (19.01.24) Progress Review and Options Evenir (24.01.24) Options Deadline (02.02.24) English / Drama Trip (09.02.24)					

Mr Kirke

Teacher and Teaching Assistant Open Evening



Mr Smith

Recruitment

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

Head of Mathematics Teacher of English Exam Invigilator

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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