

# **Bishop Stopford School**

**NEWSLETTER** 

## **EASTER UNLOCKED**







#### **Monday 15 April**

School re-opens for Summer Term.

Yr 11 Collective Worship

#### **Tuesday 16 April**

Yr 10 Collective Worship Yr 8 STEM Day (Band A)

#### Wednesday 17 April

Yr 8 & 9 Collective Worship Yr 8 STEM Day (Band B)

#### **Thursday 18 April**

Yr 7 Collective Worship Yr 12 & 13 English/Drama Trip

#### Friday 19 April

Yr 7 Communion

Next week: Week A

Assembly Theme: "Who You say I am"

## **Easter Reflections/End of Term**

#BestOfBishop

It is quite unusual for us to end term as close to Good Friday as this year. However, this has given us a wonderful opportunity to explore our faith foundation together through 'Easter Unlocked'.

Holy Week is at the heart of the Christian calendar, and it has been a privilege to use this week to reflect on what the Easter story might mean to us – whatever our faith background. After taking part in the wonderful activities orchestrated by Mrs Hutchinson and our amazing supporters from local churches, some reflections from students included:

"Easter is more than receiving chocolate and eggs. Easter Unlocked has definitely helped me to understand bits of the Bible and the Easter story a lot more."

"I've thought more about I see myself and then how God sees me."

"It taught me about how much Jesus sacrificed on the cross for us."

So as we come to the end of a busy but very successful term, we do wish everyone a blessed Eastertide. As we move tomorrow through the darkness of Good Friday towards the resurrection on Easter Sunday, let's reflect on the hope in Jesus that Easter brings.

Today is also a day when we say thank you and goodbye to staff who are leaving us. We wish Mrs Hood, Miss Middleton and Mrs Webb every success in the future.

Miss Silverthorne



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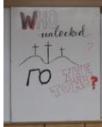












**Mrs Hutchinson** 

# **Geology Club**

Our geologists had lots of fun at the third Geology Club of the year!

This week, our geologists learned how fossils are preserved, and created their own salt dough to create imprints of dinosaurs and shells.

We are looking forward to the next one - keep an eye out for future Geology Club dates!



Miss Tierney and Miss Baker

# **Safe Space**

It can be difficult to keep up with the pace of change and this is never more apparent than with slang terms, especially those used online. A recent article in the Times Educational Supplement highlighted emojis and terms commonly used by young people. Although explicit, we think it is appropriate to share these with you so that you can be aware of communications which can 'hide' inappropriate messages.

Emojis are often used as a shortcut form of communication via private messages or as part of social media

posts. Here are some to watch out for:

Teach = bum

Splash/droplets = ejaculation

- Noodles = "noods" (nudes)

J - Chilli = "spicy" (risqué) content

- Taco = female genitalia

🍆 - Aubergine = male genitalia

🐪 - Camel = sex

- Cherries = breasts

- Brain = oral sex

In addition, the following words are being used more commonly by young people and are helpful to listen out for because of the possible implications they may have:

Nyash/Bunda = bum

Gyatt = Americanised shortened form of "God damn", commonly used with reference to women with curvy figures.

Plug = the "connect" - sometimes used to refer to someone who provides drugs, weapons, stolen goods and so on.

Unalive = death. Commonly used with reference to suicide to get around community guidelines.

Cuck = short for "cuckold" which has been used since the 1200s to refer to a man whose wife is unfaithful. The term has seen a resurgence, largely as a result of its use in Alt-Right circles, where it is commonly used to attack or belittle someone's masculinity.

Thank you for your vigilance with online behaviour; we know that nothing is more powerful than transparency, open dialogue and clear boundaries.

**Mrs Smith** 

## **Year 10 Mock Examinations**

Year 10 students will be involved in mock examinations after the Easter holidays.

These will take place from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 until Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April and will be sat in exam conditions to replicate what will happen in public exams next year.

Mrs Thomson (Exams Officer) has sent to students and parents a copy of individualised mock examination timetables which includes rooming and seat allocations. The students can also see their timetable on Edulink under the "Exams" tab.

To help students and parents prepare for the exams we have created the following resources:

- 1. A document outlining what topics will be examined in each subject and where subject-specific materials can be accessed. This was sent to parents this week.
- 2. Generic resources around how to revise and prepare for the stresses of the exam period. This can be accessed via the link:

Revision Support — Bishop Stopford School (fireflycloud.net)

These should prove extremely useful in the lead-up to the exams.

Mr Kirke



## **Year 6 Coffee Morning**

On Thursday 28th March, we invited parents of our new intake of Year 6 students to come and visit the school. It was wonderful to have them in the school building and to talk about the exciting times ahead as their children progress from primary school to secondary.

Over the course of the morning, parents met key staff and took part in a tour of the school led by our Student Ambassadors and current Year 7 students.

Aditi Kanoor and Darcey York both gave a speech on their experiences of being a new Year 7 at Bishop Stopford School. We had some wonderful music played by our very talented Year 7 pianists Benjamin Hodges and Emily Steel, and delicious biscuits baked by Key Stage 3 students. A special mention also goes to Barty Gardner who recited his winning poem for the 'Poetry by Heart' competition beautifully.

Thank you to all of those who attended. If there are any questions from either those who could attend or not, please contact the following via 01536 503503.

Safeguarding: Mrs C Smith (Deputy Head Pastoral, Safeguarding and Wellbeing)

General information: Mrs Glue (Head of Year)

Mr Stevenson (Key Stage 3 Lead)

Miss Whitehead (Pupil Premium)

Mrs K Smith (Transport/uniform/admissions)

Mrs McGregor (SENDCo)

Thank you again for all how who made the time to visit us, and we really look forward to our new students starting at Bishop Stopford School this year

#### **Key Dates**

Event	Day	Date
Primary School Visits	Weekdays	Beginning of May and running until mid-June
CATS Testing day	Saturday	22nd June 2024 8:30 – 15:00
Transition Days at Bishop Stopford School  Parent Transition Evening	Monday and Tuesday	1st and 2nd July 2024  2nd July 17:00 – 19:00
Start of Year 7	Wednesday	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024

Mr Stevenson

KS3 Lead

# **Lessons from Auschwitz Project**

Six year 12 students, Delanyo Banibensu, Gemma Freeland, Siobhan Latter, Kaycie Leveridge, Niamh McLaren and Maddie White, recently took part in the 'Lessons from Auschwitz' project. This project is run by the Holocaust Educational Trust and involves a one-day visit to the former Nazi concentration and death camp Auschwitz-Birkenau which is situated in Poland.

Siobhan and Kaycie have written an account of their experiences.

"This March, five of my classmates and I had the opportunity to further our knowledge of the Holocaust by taking part in the Lessons From Auschwitz project, which was organised by the Holocaust Educational Trust. As part of this project, we travelled to Poland, visiting Oświęcim, Auschwitz I and Auschwitz Il-Birkenau. The course also included an online seminar with a Holocaust survivor (Janine Webber BEM) during which she told us her heart-breaking story.



One of the aims of this project was to humanise both the victims and perpetrators of the Holocaust. This was achieved by visiting the town of Oświęcim before travelling to the camps, allowing us to gain an understanding of the lives of Jews in the town before Nazi occupation. This became more poignant when we discovered that before WWII, 58% of the population of Oświęcim was Jewish. That figure is now zero with the passing of the final Holocaust survivor Shimson Kleuger, who died in 2000.

During our time at the camps, the humanity of the victims was reiterated time and time again through heart-wrenching exhibitions including a room full of hair and another containing piles of shoes. I found this aspect of the trip particularly overwhelming as these displays not only worked to convey the scale but also to highlight that many entered Auschwitz entirely unaware of the horrors they were about to face. For example, there are high heels included in the piles of shoes and a whole room with pots and pans that people bought with them, believing them to be of use.

The final part of our visit to Auschwitz I involved us entering the first of five gas chambers constructed by the Nazis around Oświęcim. Although this was much smaller and would have killed much fewer people that the gas chambers located at Auschwitz II-Birkenau (the extermination camp), the atmosphere inside was unsettling and haunting and gave me a slight insight into the overwhelming fear Jews must have felt as they walked in and watched the crystals

Of Zyklon-B fall from the holes in the ceiling.

At Auschwitz II-Birkenau we were able to see the remains of two of the gas chambers which were blown up by the Nazis in an attempt to conceal their atrocities. We also took part in a memorial service at the ruins of Crematoria II, Birkenau during which we each lit a candle to remember those who lost their lives not only at Auschwitz but throughout Europe during the Holocaust

In undertaking this project, we will become ambassadors for the Holocaust Educational Trust which will provide us with further opportunities and experiences to not only further our knowledge of the Holocaust but increase awareness in both the school and local community.







## Lessons from Auschwitz - contd...

"During March, I along with 5 other students, had the opportunity to participate in the Lessons from Auschwitz project as part of the Holocaust Educational trust. During this experience, I joined seminars along with over 150 students from around the East Midlands, to talk about our prior knowledge of the Holocaust and the horrific events that occurred in the concentration camps. This experience also involved the opportunity to fly to Poland to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp. Afterwards, we were fortunate enough to hear from a Holocaust survivor, who told us of her story and experiences in Poland during the 1930s and 1940s. This was an incredibly moving experience and helped to develop my understanding of the Holocaust and the Nazi persecution.

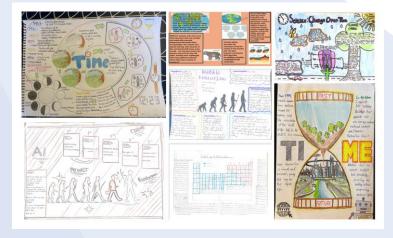
During our visit, we had to think of every experience as individual and different, helping to humanise the victims. This became overly prominent in the museum, which contained belongings of the Jewish victims who suffered at Auschwitz. This included clothing, suitcases, shoes, and glasses all which belonged to an individual whose life was taken away because of the Nazi's final solution. The extent of the belongings was massive and really put into perspective just how widespread and detrimental the Holocaust was. No history lesson, or textbook statistic could have prepared me for how overwhelming seeing all these items could be. One thing that really stuck out to me was the gas chamber. As part of our guided tour, we went into the only remaining gas chamber – which was converted into a Nazi bunker during the last years of the war. Going into such a massive building and having the privilege of leaving – which many people wouldn't have – was overly emotional





Overall, I am very grateful that I was given this opportunity with the Holocaust Educational Trust. It was a massive eye opener and really helped me to grasp the size and impact of the Holocaust".

## **Science Week**



Congratulations to the following students for their entry into the British Science Week poster competition. The posters have been submitted to the external competition and we have our fingers crossed for the students as we await the results.

Year 7 Mohammed Helal , Darcey York, Aditi Kanoor, Rosemaria Jiju

าear ช Rayna Shergill , Alicia Menzies , Sam Jiju

Mrs Redding



### **Music Success**

Congratulations to Chloe Partridge in 9C for being awarded a Distinction for her Grade 5 piano exam.

Also to Olivia May (8W) who achieved a distinction in her grade 6 violin exam.

#### **Music for Youth**

Huge congratulations to Mr Turnbull and our brass band, who wowed the audience at Cripps Hall on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March, at the Music for Youth festival. The band delighted audience and music mentors with their renditions of "Seal Lullaby" and their student led performance of "Let me entertain you", which included choreography and audience participation.

Those who gave feedback were bursting with praise for both performances, and the band was delighted to note that all the areas for development given to other groups, had been included in our set. It was a very proud morning for us all.

A massive well done to all our students who participated in so many other groups over the festival weekend.

#### **Oundle Music festival:**

Congratulations to Ankita Kanoor and Jamie Collett for their performances at the weekend. Ankita was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place for grade 3 piano, and Jamie was awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place for Grade 2 piano. Fantastic results and a great experience.







Mrs Armstrong

## "Macbeth" Review

"Murder, war, blood, intrigue, a battle between good and evil and more blood: Shakespeare's Macbeth has all of this and more! About a hundred of us went to see Macbeth by Shakespeare at Stamford Arts Centre, performed by the Dickens' Theatre Company. There were seven actors, playing up to three roles each. With the cauldron of characters (pun intended!) the performance was captivating, and the Porter (with his canny Scottish accent) acted as a narrator, leading the audience through the play. He made the plot clear and added humour when cutting out some of the (potentially less exciting) scenes. And yes, it was iambic pentameter, thees and thous and so on, but the theatre company made it easy to understand what was going on...It was a great introduction to the text. If anyone did not get the chance to go, the theatre company is performing it again at Birmingham's Alexandra Theatre on Monday 29th April – Tuesday 30th April.

Thank you to all of the teachers who accompanied us, with special thanks to Mrs Norwood for organising it"

#### Charlotte Revell Year 10



# **Linguist of the Term**

7C James Phan

7D Aiden Shabaya

7E Beatrice Cooper

7P Beatrice Frost

7S Ekam Kaur

7W Caspian Adamczyk

7Y Helena Lister

8C Darius Ionel

8C Arabelle Lloyd-Warner

8D Tamas Fekete

8P Aiyushi Modha

8G Ruthann Amoateng

8C Arne Martin

8P Allan Vazhappily Sibu

8E Reece Scholtz

8Y Rayna Shergill

8Y Christon Saibu

8G Precious Abiona

8G Keesha Patel

9E James Bason

9P Eve Green

9D Lulu Bob

9P Miguel Asumang

9D Milo Minney

9E Selina Marium Jose

9Y Jessica Grigg

9S George Bradshaw

9C Kethan Singodia

9P Ava Rogers-Hussey

9C Thomas Wears

9S Eva Winson



10D Saoirse Gibbard

10E Maisie Hailes

10G Harriet Graham

10G Dominik Biernacki

10P Charlotte Revell

10S Damaris Carr

10Y Dylan Singh Phull

10S Jack Maltby-Smith

10P Finlay Webb

11C Riya Mathew

11C Aaron Belham

11G Caleb Jones

11E Gabby Meeks

11W Izzy Rogers

11P Preetinder Manesh

11W Zuriel Badza

11Y Martha Nicholls

11G Udelle Hopson

## Headteacher's Award

Aiyushi Modha (8P), Chloe Wellings (9W), Chloe Partridge (9C), Samuel Baynes (10E), Charlotte Revell (10P), Finlay Webb (10P)



Mrs Rogers-Hussey

## **Library News**

Please take the opportunity if spring cleaning over the Easter break to check at home for books which belong to school. Currently there are nearly 300 books overdue from the school library, books which are obviously unavailable for others to borrow. There are currently no fines for overdue books and students can return books to the library desk or post them into the secure returns box in the foyer. Invoices for any books still overdue next term will be posted home.

Miss Wood Librarian

# **Fundraising**

Thank you for contributions to Comic Relief. The school raised £887.71

Miss Curchin

## **Humantities Students of the Term**

#### **Historian of the Term**

7C Max McHugh

7D Barty Gardner

7E Adan Naseem

7G Jenson Atkins

7P Maisie Lawrence

7S Benjamin Hodges

7W Max Richards

8C Arne Martin

8E Lottie Singlehurst

8G Ethan Armstrong

8S Jules Ayimadu

8W Alfie Westlea

8Y Charlotte Coe

9C Oscar Coles

9D Rebecca Brooking

9G Dara Ashworth

9S Neha Mathew

9W Jamie Colby

9Y Cameron Whatmore

10 1A Muskanpreet Singh

10 1B Jessica Rai

10 2A Oak Gilbert

10 3A Amrita Johal

10 3B Charlie Layer

11 1A Lily Higgins

11 1B Eva Binley

11 2 Jeevan Johal

11 3A Aniya Sidhu

11 3B Kitty Maccarthy

12X Gabriella Mucaj

13W Lauren Essam

#### Geographer of the Term

7C Max McHugh

7D Michelle Ambrose

7E Anas Thanspalasingam

7G Megan Turner

7P Cyprian Leatherland

7S Emily Steel

7W Ankita Kanoor

8C Eshal Khan

8D Vaika Nair

8E Humayl Bari

8G Precious Abiona

8P Iris Feane

8S Isla Gray

8W Rutendo Kawodza

8Y Rayna Shergill

9C Tom Wears

9D Arunali Wanshanatha

9E Jestina Gillien Taculan

9G Matthew Kemp

9P Alexander Powell

9S Maliha Jannat

9W Matthew Clark

9Y Isobel Green

10 1A Toby Schloesser

10 2A Diya Joseph

10 2B Jake Makkil

10 3A Emily Gibbs

10 3B Amiee Brown

11 1A Harry Clark

11 1B Amelie Glue

11 2A Izzy Rogers

11 2B Alfie Shibu

11 3A Toby Lorentzen

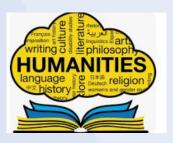
11 3B Eleanor York

12X Sophie Ettridge

12Y Ethan Armour

13Y Luca Dare

13Z Kate Campbell



#### Philosopher of the Term

7C Harry Fox

7D Max Joseph

7E Jovan Basra

7G Keanu Klonica-Wood

7P Ekam Kaur

8C Dev Mistry

8D Alice Rowbotham

8E Precious Abiona

8G Jamie Revell

8P Arjan Mann

8S Mikolaj Mleczak

9C Thomas Wears

9D Sophie Howard

9E Maya Tinney

9G Rupert Fray

9P Otorvwe Tadafe

9S Neha Mathew

9W Shiro Njogu

9Y Millan Montgomery

10 1A Bethan Clark

10 1B Amrita Johal

10 2A Aswita Premathasan

10 2B Ella Farnworth

10 3A Malavika Nimmi

10 3B Toby Schloesser

10P Chloe Large

10E Bella Suena

11 1A Tabitha Fray

11 1B Elisa Mayes

11 2A Thomas Davies

11 2B Benz Lopez

11 3A Orlaith Harvey

12 Amy Beattie

13 Grace Finn

# **Expressive Arts Awards**

#### **Arts Awards**

7C Elina Patel 7C Katelynn Mobbs 7C Max McHugh 7D Max Joseph 7D Tilda Short 7E Sophia Lorentzen **7E Beatrice Cooper** 7G Harry Elliot-May 7G Liva Sujith **7G Beatrice Frost** 7G Sienna Sedani 7P Sienna Palmiero 7P Esha Joseph 7S Betsy Flannigan 7S Finn Greaves 7W Maria Papatanasiu 7W Miya Phillips

8C Ayisha Soha
8C Arabelle Lloyd Warner
8D Michela Martin
8D Alice Li
8D Dev Mistry
8E Lottie Singlehurst
8E Delisha Riyaz
8E Taheem Senyonjo
8G Genna Long
8G Manvir Power
8P Emmie Mullaney
8P Albert Chirila

8S Isla Gray 8S Kennedy McHugh 8W Megan Noble 8W Evie Sim Jones 8Y Charlie Canfield 8Y Charlotte Coe 9C Emily Barritt
9C Thomas Wears
9D Sophia Lister
9D Sophie Howard
9D Harry Britton
9E Georgia Maisiri
9E George Mears
9G Sofia Thomas
9S Eve Green
9S Ava Rogers-Hussey

9P Samuel Tomlin 9W Matthew Clark 9Y Millan Montgomery 9Y Georgia Thompson

9P Amelie Wright

101 Amy Lynch 101 Ewan Reading 102 Megan Barber 102 Iris Fraser

111 Amelia Hunt 111 Rohaan Manick 112 Isla Shortland 112 Louise Welland

12Y Molly Robson 12Y Chloe Silverstone 13Y Georgie Prince 13Y Lucinda Phillips

Mrs Baker

7Y Joanna Jomon

## **Musician of the Term**

7C James Phan
7C Maya Johl
7D Liberty Cobbold
7D Barty Gardner
7E Maya Clark
7G Christa Bijumon
7G Deon Abhilash
7P Beatrice Frost
7P Fraser Gray
7S Georgina Bird
7S Evy Dirnescu-Morar
7W Katie Hailes
7Y Thomas Pickford
7Y Millie Mccormack-Morgan

8C Kai Geddes 8C Chrissy Peter 8D Oliver Baker 8D Hailie Spreckley 8E Caleb Danso 8E Aiden Lijo 8G Precious Abiona 8G Ben Stanger 8P Kadesha Edwards 8S Ben Hawkes 8S Zac Cordwell-West 8S Lyra Harker 8W Alex Ierina 8W Arjan Mann 8Y Emmanuel Adu Philip Jacob

9C Toby Langley 9C Thomas Wears 9D Grace Mccormack Morgan 9D Sophia Ile 9D Conor Darby 9E Georgia Maisiri 9E Macy Dunn 9E Noah Gibbard 9P Edward Hoadley 9P Alexander Powell 9P Edith Turvey 9W Oliver Canfield 9W Matthew Clark 9W Daniel Rose 9Y Ruby Arthur 9Y Imogen Dodds 9Y Llewnard Maitim

10C India Lilley 10E Samuel Baynes

9Y Oscar Graham

11G Hannah Davis
11E Rachel Davis
11E Taemin Lee
11G Toby Lorentzen
11Y Martha Nicholls
12E Isaac Lavender
12W Charlie Holden-Miles
12Y Molly Robson
12P Micah Harris
12S Erin Mizon
12G William Betts
12P Hayden Barber

12C Maddie White

12D El Lashmar

13E Isabelle Tao 13C Domas Miktas 13S Charlotte Foster

13E Jay Scholtz

13Y Maleea King

13S Harry Watts

13D Evie Williams

**Mrs Wilson** 

### **Business Students of the Term**

Yr 12 Katie Till Paul Ojelade Lily Van Vilet Kurun Mann

Yr 13 Tillie Smith Charlotte Whaites Tamikka Kamusoko

#### **Maths Students of the Term**

71W Danveer Basra 71X Elma Owiredu 71Y Ano Nhariswa 71Z Charlotte Barrow 72W Emily Steel 72X Amber Mann 72Y Josiah Wong 72Z Mya Banda

81W Chrissy Peter 81X Amy Bevitt 81Y Clarice Whitney 81Z Sam Jiju 82W Joshua Romy 82X Chloe Perkins 82Y James Ansaloni

12W Bella Sieunarine

12Y1 Isla Harvey

9S Jude Mitchell 9G Jude Drury 9P Emanuella Adu 9P Reuel Mendonca 9S Oliver Kaminski 9S Lewis Hawker 9S Isobel Radcliffe 9P Holly Noon 10HV Saoirse Gibbard 10HW Esther Hobbs 10HX Aynoor Farooq 10HY Lily Sansome 10HZ Malavika Nimmi 10CX Millie Seago 10FX Amy Payne 10FZ Chloe Large

11HW Abel Skariah 11HX Connor Evans 11HY Jaskeerat Taggar 11HZ Nina Wach 11CX Adah Olanrewaju 11CY Eve Russell 11FX Martha Nicholls 11FY Isabel Hobbs

13W1 Elliot Hardy 13W2 Samuel Harris 13Y1 Adam Simpson Further Alex Cheesewright

Further William Blakeman

Mr King

# **PSHE Champions of the Term**

7C Grace Metutu
7E Terry Cavallo-Matthews

7G Thomas Beeby 7P Cyprian Leatherland 7S Kata Appalani

7S Kate Ansaloni 7W Ankita Kanoor 7Y Dale Fijo

11E Charlie Nixon 11E Tapiwa Gundidza 11S Eleanor York 8E Teddy Smith 8G Catriona Noble 8P Julia Dujka 8S Isla Gray 8W Michaela Zongoro 8Y Logan Wiles

8D Yusuf Abdelhaiy

8C Beau Smith

12Y Marianna York 13S Megan Leigh 9C Neriah Goodream-Wilson

9D Ellen De Banke 9E George Mears 9G Matthew Kemp 9P Abdan Abid Naseem

9S Eliza Raja 9W Mike Chahil 9Y Jessica Grigg

**Mrs Wilson** 



# **Geologists of the Term**



We are very proud of these students for their hard work in geology this term. They have been focused, organised, and engaged in a wider understanding of the subject. Keep up the good work!

Y12- Anna Lawton

Y13- Sophy Kendall

Miss Baker, Mr Starr and Miss Tierney



## Cucina

