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**BISHOPS ITCHINGTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Celebration Assembly



Congratulations to our Star Learners who were awarded their certificates in our Celebration Assembly today:

Sandringham: Tobias Tucker

Kensington: Harvey Elliott

Windsor: Elijah Allen

Holyrood: Lacie-Louise Deakin

Buckingham: Isaac Meredith



We also celebrated Achievement Awards for the following children:

Ema de Oliveira—Student of the Year NSTK Karate Group and Yellow Belt in Karate (with distinction).

Clara de Oliveria—Yellow Belt in Karate (with merit) and 'Most Improved Student'.

Clara de Oliveria—Gymnastics Yellow certificates for floor/vault/bar/beam and Green certificates for vault/beam/bar.

Maisie Mills—Stage 4 Swimming and 20 metres distance award

Frederick Singleton—NSTK Yellow Belt Award in Karate and 'Commended Student 2019'.

Frederick Singleton—Swimming level 8

Faye Snellgrove—Tae Kwon Do—most improved junior of the year 2019

Thank you to Ella White for playing the piano so beautifully in our assembly!

Our next Celebration Assembly is on Friday 31st January—everyone is welcome!

Dear Parents, Relatives and Friends,

Safe-Guarding Your Children

In our assembly on Monday, we discussed how the children can keep themselves safe after school and indeed at anytime. The children had quite a bit to say about the subject! The main messages were:

Stay with your Adult

At the end of the school day, we talked about why children should stay with the adult who has collected them and not run off. Running off is not only dangerous; parents will become very worried.

Getting in and out of the Car Safely

The children understood that they should only get in and out of a car on the pavement side; never on the roadside, especially if it is a 'quick' drop off because that's when accidents can more easily happen.

What to do if your Adult is late?

The children discussed what they could do to keep themselves safe if their parent is not on the playground at the end of school. We talked about the many reasons that parents can be a bit late and that the children should try not worry if this happens. They understood that they must go back into school and tell their teacher who will wait with them and make any necessary phone calls. Children must not go home with any other parent or adult (even if they know them really well) and we discussed why this is.

[Parents should telephone the school when they know they might be late. I'm afraid we cannot allow a child to go home with another adult unless we have that parent's specific permission].



Shakespeare Gains Momentum



During my visits to the classrooms this week, I have come across some great learning linked to The Merchant of Venice. I was greeted in Balmoral Class with enthusiastic cries of, "Ciao Mrs. Sykes!" from Otis and Benjamin in brilliant Italian accents! Kensington Class were acting out a romantic marriage proposal! Windsor Class were enjoying drama in the hall; Erin and Maeve in Windsor showed me their fabulous direct speech dialogue between two characters using magnificent vocabulary and expression!

Our school is welcoming and nurturing. Parents and relatives are welcome to make an appointment to see me to discuss any matter.

With best wishes,

Head of School

Jacky Sykes

Emma's Charity Cut

The Little Princess Trust provides free real hair wigs to children and young people, up to 24 years, who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or other conditions.



Emma has had her very long hair cut off and has donated it to the Little Princess Trust. What a fantastic thing to do!

Impetigo Warning

We have had a case of impetigo in school. This is a skin infection that is highly contagious. Anyone can catch it, but it is most common in young children and can often start on the face.

Impetigo starts with red sores or blisters. They quickly burst and may leave crusty, golden-brown patches. The sores can spread quite quickly by the child touching the infected skin. If your child has unexplained sores or blisters please take them to see the doctor straight away. The treatment is usually an antibiotic cream and your child must stay away from school and away from contact with other children until the blisters have completely dried up and scabbed over.

Please help us to keep your own and other children safe from infection by acting quickly if you suspect that an infection may be present.

Casket 1, casket 2 or casket 3? Which one contains the portrait of Portia and the right to her hand in marriage?



Year 2 have enjoyed taking part in drama activities this week to develop their skills of collaboration and their understanding of the play The Merchant of Venice.



Mad Science!

On Tuesday, Mad Science led our whole-school assembly with amazing scientific experiments, excitement and rather a lot of noise! Mad Science is running an after-school club starting on Tuesday next week. Look out for the flyer that has been sent home, or contact Mrs. Thornton in the school office to find out more.

We are Positive

Children make more progress with their learning and their social skills when they are in a safe and positive environment. Everyone at school uses **We Are Positive!** language to help children feel good about their learning. This encourages children to try knowing that it does not matter if their answer is wrong because Mistakes are How We Learn.

When children are positively encouraged to attempt new things, their fear of failure becomes less and so they approach tasks in a more positive and confident way; this leads to greater success and greater self-esteem.

At home or at play with any activity—whether it is sport, reading, home-learning, swimming, cooking or something else - encourage the children to use **We Are Positive!**



Extra-Curricular Activities Next Week

	Before School	Morning	Lunchtime	Afternoon	After School
Monday 20th January	Buddies NESSY		Running Club	Swimming Windsor	Buddies Football Club
Tuesday 21st January	Buddies NESSY	Brass Lessons	Eco Club R-Yr6		Buddies Mad Science
Wednesday 22nd January	Buddies NESSY				Buddies Netball Club
Thursday 23rd January	Buddies NESSY		Homework Club Choir	Guitar Lessons	Buddies Taekwondo
Friday 24th January	Buddies NESSY			Year 6 Assembly	Buddies

January		Time
17 th Friday	Celebration Assembly – everyone welcome	3 – 3.30pm
27 th Monday	Football match	3:30 pm
31 st Friday	Celebration Assembly—everyone welcome	3-3.30pm
February		Time
11 th Tuesday	Martin Green Assembly	10.15am
12 th Wednesday	RSC Holyrood Performance (trip out)	All day
14 th Friday	Celebration Assembly	3-3.30pm
17 th Monday	HALF TERM BREAK	
March		Time
3 rd Tuesday	Parents' Evening	4-6pm
5 th Thursday	Parents' Evening	4.30-7pm
6 th Friday	Celebration Assembly – all to attend	3-3.30pm
10 th Tuesday	Martin Green Assembly	10.15am
31 st Tuesday	Martin Green assembly	10.15am
April		Time
3 rd Friday	Trophy Achievement Assembly—all welcome	2.45pm
2 weeks	EASTER HOLIDAYS	



Out of School Club

February Half-term

Monday 17th—Friday 21st February 2020

We are hoping to open up Buddies@BIPS Holiday Club for the 5 days during February half-term. Miss Jeacock will be running the club along with another member of staff.

We need sufficient numbers for the club to run, so please book your place early by emailing or phoning the school office.

Thank you.

Football Sticker Albums

English Schools Football Association have sent us 40 Premier League Sticker Albums and stickers.

We will be giving these away next week on Monday breaktime from the office. If any children would like a sticker album please go to Mrs Thornton on Monday morning breaktime. We are limited to 40 albums (only 1 per child) so they will be given out to the first 40 children.

Here we go a'wassailing.

Sunday 19th January at 10.30am

Corner of the village playing field (the mini orchard)

A free family event to encourage the orchard trees to grow lots of fruit. Bring along whistling and banging instruments or just a saucepan and wooden spoon and join in the fun!

This is a very ancient custom that is rarely done today. The word "wassail" comes from the Anglo-Saxon phrase "waes hael", which means 'good health'. Originally, the wassail was a drink made of mulled ale, curdled cream, roasted apples, eggs, cloves, ginger, nutmeg and sugar.

Come and join the fun!

Pam Reason