

BISHOP LONSDALE CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

**Becoming—Independent—Successful—Honest—Open minded—People**

*John 14:6 Jesus said,*

*“I am the way and the truth and the life.”*



# Newsletter



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*We were glad to see all our families after what seemed like a very long Easter break. The children have behaved very well since the beginning of term and have been working hard. All children understand the importance of good behaviour and attitudes as they strive to :*

***Become Independent Successful Honest Open-minded People***

*The Summer term is always a busy one and we have many events happening over the coming weeks so keep checking the calendar dates . We will also endeavour to send reminders via Parent Hub. The Year 6 children will be sitting their SATs next week. Good luck Year 6!*

*Miss S Brownhall  
(Head of School)*

*Mr M Hetherington  
(Executive Head)*

## **PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

**A huge thank you to all the parents/carers who completed the 'Parent View Questionnaire'. Your feedback is very important to us.**

- We were very pleased that the overwhelming majority of you agreed that children felt safe and were happy coming to Bishop Lonsdale .**
- We were also pleased to hear that you are happy with the number and range of clubs available.**
- A number of parents were unsure what children are learning in school.**

**We have taken this feedback on board and the staff are currently busy producing documents which will provide you with this information in future.  
We will let you know when these documents are finalised.**

## **SCHOOL ESSENTIALS**

### **UNIFORM**

A reminder that all children should be wearing school uniform. This does include **black school shoes**.

### **GLASSES**

If your child wears glasses please ensure they are in school everyday. Please let the class teacher or school office know when your child should be wearing their glasses

### **WATER BOTTLES**

Now the weather is getting warmer, it is even more important to send a water bottle (with plain, still water) to school.

### **PE KITS**

Please ensure your child has a full PE kit (t-shirt, shorts, pumps/trainers) in school everyday. Teachers do sometimes change the day they normally teach PE.

We also run Inter-House Sporting Events during the Summer. If a child hasn't got a kit in school they would be unable to take part.

### **LOST PROPERTY**

We once again have a huge amount of lost property.

**We would urge you all to check your child's clothing, book bag and water bottle and make sure every item is clearly named.**

## **ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY**

**Punctuality** is getting better—thank you for your support with this. It so important that children are here on time so they have the best possible start to the day. The first minutes of the school day are crucial in all year groups. Please continue to ensure children are here on time—gates open at 8.45am

Attendance for Bishop Lonsdale is currently 94.5% which is slightly down. Our current target is 96%

Please help us to improve attendance by avoiding holidays and booking routine appointments after school.

## **NETBALL NEWS**

The netball season has started! Last half term the team took part in the Derby City Tournament. They finished as runners up and qualified for the County Finals. At County Finals they represented the school well. The team finished 7th overall. We were very proud of their behaviour and attitudes.

The Derby City West League had begun. The team played their first match at home last week beating Mickleover Primary School 15—1. Yesterday the team played two more matches beating Portway Junior School 14-0 and Walter Evans 8-3.

Well done to all the children who are so committed to netball and for volunteering to play almost every playtime and lunchtime!

## **PARKING**

Please do not park in the car park at the end of Bedford Close. If using Bedford Close to park, please be considerate of our neighbours.

**KEY DATES FOR 2024/25**  
**Recently added events will be in blue**

Monday 12th 2025—Thursday 15th May 2025	Key Stage Two SATs
Tuesday 13th May 2025	Year 2 Cricket Festival
Tuesday 20th May 2025	Sustrans—Year 6 Journey Planning
Thursday 22nd May 2025	BREAK UP AT 3:30PM
Friday 23rd May 2025	INSET DAY
Monday 2nd June 2025	Return to School
Monday 2nd June 2025	Year 4 Times Table Check begins
Tuesday 3rd June 2025	Class Photos
Wednesday 4th June 2025	Netball Match Bishop v Aston
Monday 9th June 2025	Year 1 Phonics Screening begins
Wednesday 25th June 2025	Sports' Day
Thursday 26th June 2025	Celebration of Dance—Dance Club
Friday 27th June 2025—Monday 30th June	Year 6 Residential—PGL Caythorpe
Tuesday 1st July 2025	New Reception Parents' Meeting
Tuesday -Thursday 1st, 2nd, 3rd July	Year 6 Secondary Transition
Thursday 3rd July 2025	Class Swap Day and new Reception children
Wednesday 9th July 2025	LAST DAY AT SWIMMING
Wednesday 9th July 2025	Year 5 Mosque Visit
Tuesday 15th July 2025	Y5 Kedleston Hall trip
Friday 18th July 2025	Leavers' Ball
Wednesday 23rd July 2025	Leavers' Service
Thursday 24th July 2025	Bishop Beach Day and Disco
<b>Friday 25th July 2025</b>	<b>BREAK UP</b>
Thursday 4th and Friday 5th Sept 2025	INSET DAYS
Monday 8th September 2025	RETURN TO SCHOOL