

BISHOP'S TACHBROOK C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday July 18th 2025



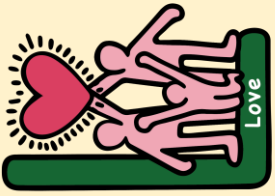
Summer 2 Newsletter

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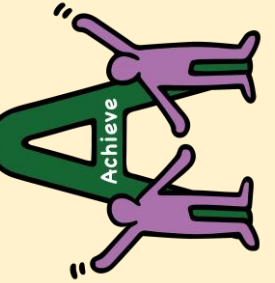
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Head Teacher



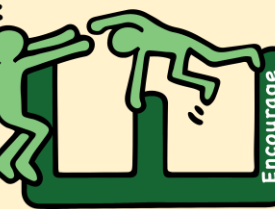
A busy and fun-packed end to the school year...



We have ended the year with lots of exciting opportunities for the children in all classes, before saying goodbye to our fabulous Year 6 class. We also said an emotional goodbye to Mrs Wyatt, who has worked in the school office for over 30 years!



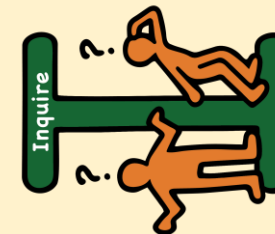
A group of Year 6 children felt driven to raise some money for Cancer Research, and the whole of Year 6 demonstrated their entrepreneur skills in organising a fete to raise funds for their end of term celebrations. Both of these events raised a lot of money for the respective causes thanks to the great support of the whole school community.



Sam Khogali visited school to talk to us about the lifestyle of a professional athlete. He explained how important it was to lead a healthy lifestyle and took us through some circuit exercises. Every class spent a short time exercising with him, and were all sweating at the end of their sessions – Sam completed all eight sessions back to back with ease, a sign of a finely tuned athlete!



There have been trips away from school and virtual reality trips from the lodge, a camp out for Year 5 and lots of great weather for learning and playing outside.



School reports have been written and sent home, children have met their new teachers for next year, and we are all now looking forward to a rest before September arrives.



Worship this half term:

This half term we have been focussing on 'Shine'. We started by looking at the Bible Verse and thought about what it mean to be wise. We heard the story of the wise man and the foolish man, and decided it was not wise to build a house on a flood plain, on the sand...

Daniel 12:3

*The **wise** people will shine as bright as the sky. Those who **teach others to live right** will shine like stars forever and ever.*



We then thought about Pentecost and how Jesus left the Holy Spirit with the disciples before he ascended into heaven so that they could continue to be brave and shine. The Holy Spirit appeared as little flames above their heads.

Looking at other people who had shown Shine, we learned about Malala – a young girl who saw something wrong and spoke out to try and make it better. She thought that girls should be able to go to school to learn, just like boys.

[Click on the picture to hear her story.](#)





Finally we thought about what it takes to shine instinctively, and whether it is something we are destined to do. We looked at animals that had been recognised for stepping up and showing 'Shine' in difficult circumstances, and learned about Sergeant Stubby. The children helped to act out his story. He was a real hero!



Sergeant Stubby



Our fantastic Picture News team have continued to bring us current stories and asked us to think deeply about how the stories make us feel. They have entertained with weather updates, and shared British Values with us linked to each of the stories.

Mr Bench is extremely proud of how well they can plan the sessions without too much help – and they deliver them with such style!

We are so proud of the group and are excited to see which children will step up to be in the Picture News team next year...

A visit from Sam Khogali – a GB Long Jumper

Sam visited school to challenge us to keep fit, and explained how he needed to lead a healthy lifestyle in order to live his dream of being a professional athlete. You can find pictures of lots of the children working out with him in the class pages.





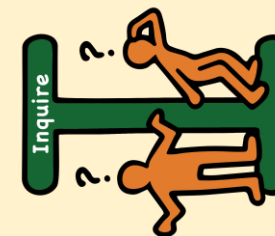
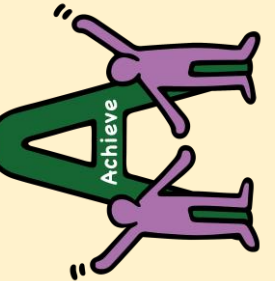
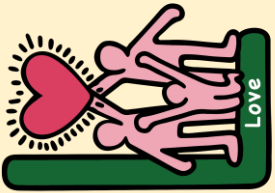


Happy Retirement!

Mrs Wyatt has been a huge part of Team Tachbrook for over 30 years. She has worked in the office taking care of the school budget and making sure everything was running smoothly. She has a special cushion in the staffroom on the chair she likes to sit on, and from that chair she delivers news updates and reminders as well as a lot of care to all the adults in school. She has been massively supportive to me, as a new head at BT, and I will be forever grateful for her words of wisdom and support over the five years we have worked together.

The children who visited the office would stop to ask how her day was going, and she enjoyed chatting to each and every one of them.

I know that we will miss her greatly as she leaves, but also know that she will be popping back to see us from time to time. We would like to wish her a relaxing and enjoyable retirement.



What have the children been learning?

It has been a short but busy half term and there has been so much learning happening in school.

Please click on your child's year group to find out what they have been learning this half term. The more you can chat about the pictures, the more they will recall their learning, and the more likely it is to stay in their long term memory. Thank you for your help!



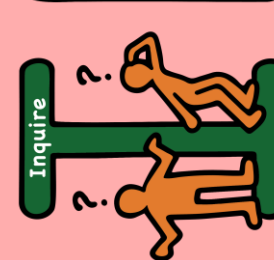
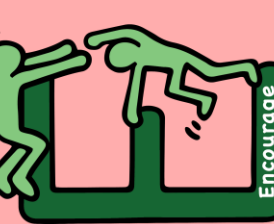
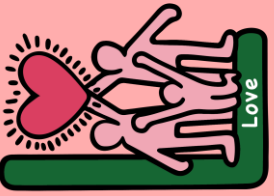
IDEALS raffle tickets:

This half term saw the children living out so many of our IDEALS in school. Each week we counted the raffle tickets and created a league table instead of adding the grand total of raffle tickets.

We would like to say a huge well done to both Red and Blue Team, who jointly scored the most points in our league table for collecting raffle tickets. They celebrated with a 'Wear What you Want' day in the last week of term.



Team	Last Week	This week
Red	13	17
Yellow	8	10
Green	10	11
Blue	14	17





Fruit and Fun

With the warmer weather, we took the lucky Raffle Ticket winners to The Meadow for some fun. They said that they enjoyed coming out of school to celebrate living out the IDEALS in school. We will continue heading out to play when the weather permits us to.



Team Tachbrook in action...

The KS2 athletics teams have been in action representing the school in the Warwick Area competition. Everyone showed 'Encourage' cheering on other children from our school.



Team Tachbrook in action

A small group of our athletes were selected to represent Warwick Area in the Warwickshire Championships. They were fabulous ambassadors for the school and were all really proud of their achievements. We were super proud of them too!



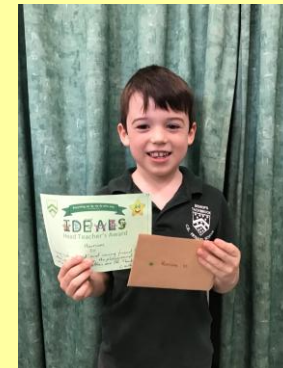
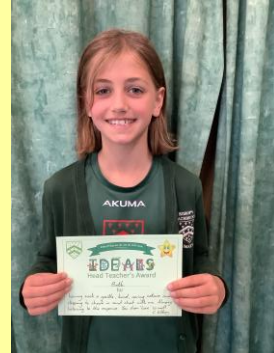


IDEALS Awards

This half term we have celebrated lots of children showing our IDEALS and shining as great role models to other children.

Head Teacher's Stars

Oscar (Y4)



Year 4 and Year 1





Curriculum Awards

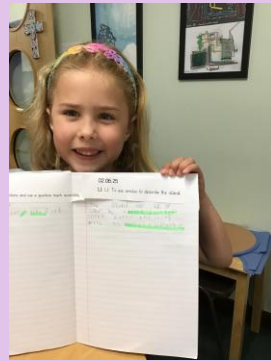
This half term we have celebrated lots of children achieving great things across the curriculum: scientists, artists, mathematicians, theologians, writers, designers, scientists...



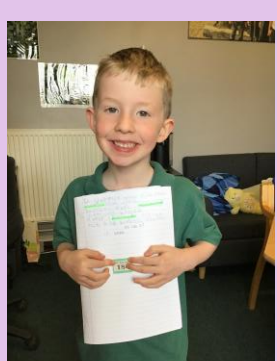
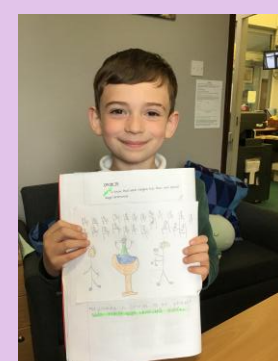
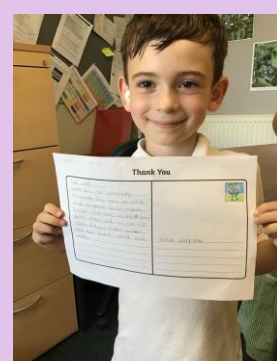
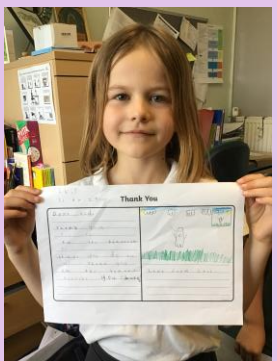
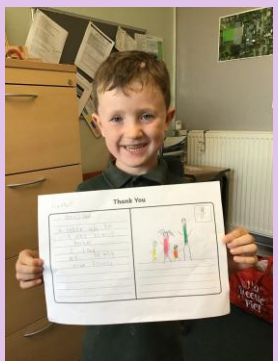
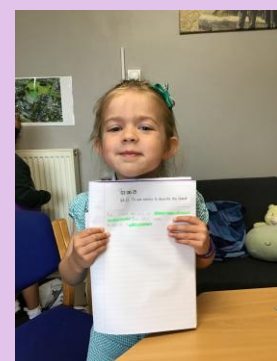
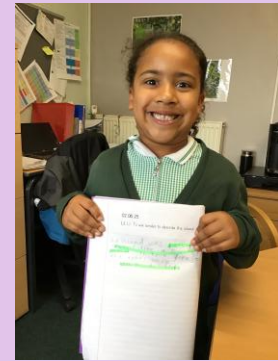
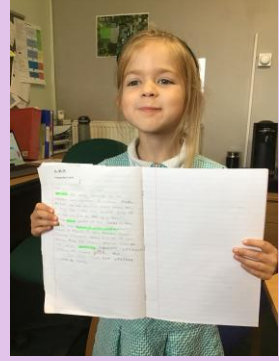
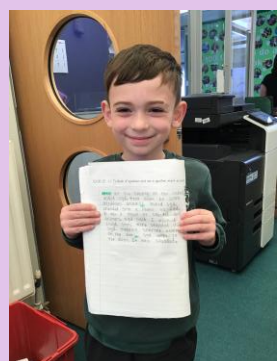
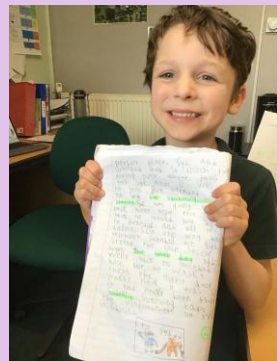
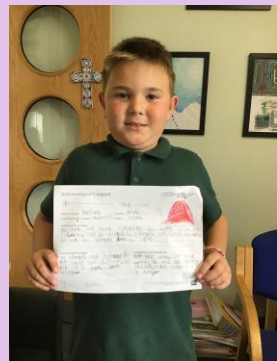


Great Learning

Some children have brought great learning to my office this half term. I have read lots of extremely descriptive writing. I have been so impressed by the standard of the children's work, and always love to celebrate great learning with the children!



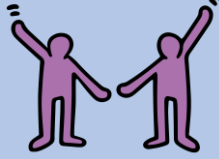
A group of Year 5 children discovered a talent and enjoyment of gardening too...





Amazing Awards from home

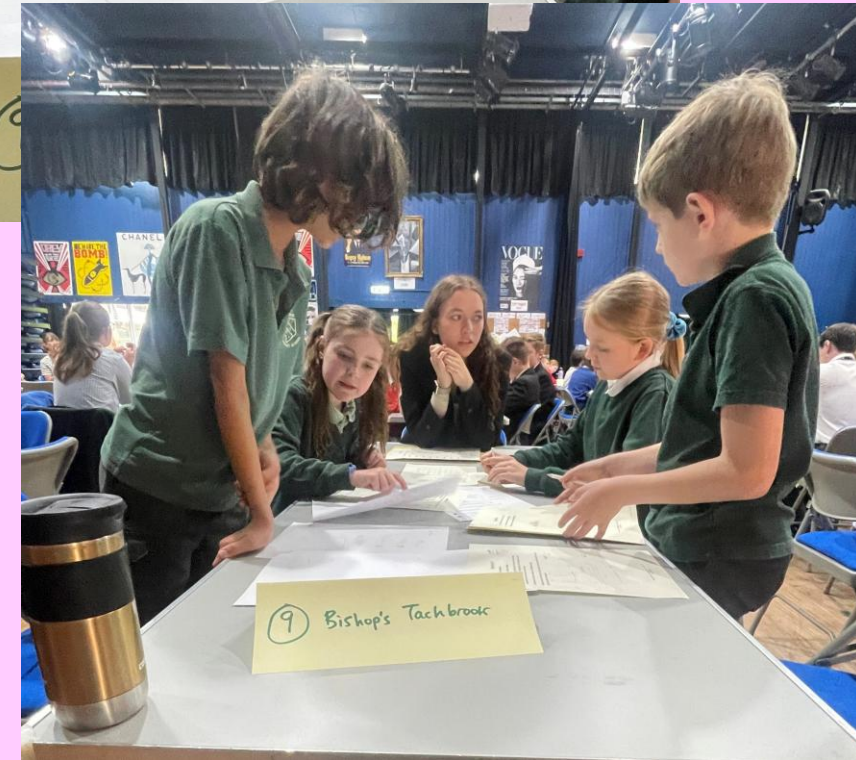
We have celebrated: sports awards - swimming, gymnastics, football, rugby, dance, cheerleading, running and lots more. We have also seen awards from Brownies and Cubs, as well as cycling proficiency. It is lovely to see so many children discovering new skills and talents!



Pen Licence awards



Maths Challenge Superstars



Raising money for Cancer Research

A group of Year 6 children decided to arrange some stalls to raise money for Cancer Research. They were extremely well organised, and worked together so well as a team. They would like to thank everyone for their support, as they managed to raise over £700 for the charity.



Amazing Musical Talent...



Click on the pictures to see more photos of the children performing.





Year 4 danced at St Chad's Church Fete.



BT's Got Talent

There was so much talent on display at our end of year talent show.

[Please click here to see all of our performers in action.](#)



Class names for next year:

The School Council met and decided that it would be good to give the classes names rather than calling them 'Year 4' etc. They spoke to as many children as they could and collected votes for potential names: trees, flowers, inspirational people, woodland animals and birds, authors or Local Landmarks, .

After the vote, it was decided that the classes would be given woodland animals and birds as names from next academic year.

The classes will be as follows:

Rabbits (Reception)

Hedgehogs (Year 1)

Owls (Year 2 - Mrs French and Mrs Christensen)

Otters (Year 2 - Miss Bevins)

Robins (Year 3)

Kingfishers (Year 4)

Kestrels (Year 5)

Foxes (Year 6)

Squirrels (Intervention)



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Performing Opportunity



Excitement is already building at The Royal Spa Centre for this year's magical production of Peter Pan and now, local youngsters are being invited to be part of the festive fun on stage!

We are looking for talented young dancers aged 9-16 (school years 4–11) to audition for the roles of John and Michael or a spot in the Junior Ensemble, performing alongside JP McCue and Sean Dodds in this year's spectacular pantomime.

Auditions will take place on Sunday 14 September at the Royal Spa Centre.

For those who wish to audition for John and Michael we ask that application forms be submitted in advance to register for the auditions and a small piece of script to learn will be sent during the week before.

For those who wish to audition for the Junior Ensemble no pre-registration is needed. Auditionees are to turn up on the day at 9:30am with a printed, completed form with them.

Attached is the press release along with information and application forms for the Ensemble and John and Michael auditions. Please share these with those who may be interested.

You can also head to our website to view and download the application forms [Junior Auditions Form Peter Pan \(John and Michael + Junior Ensemble\) - Royal Spa Centre - Leamington Spa](#)

Are there any adults who can help children in the local area have some fun at a weekend?



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Volunteers Wanted

Would you like to be an Older Friend
to a child for regular outings of just 2-3 hours?

For more details and an application form, please contact:

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Become an 'Older Friend'

As always, there are more children needing our support which means that we need more volunteers.

Would you have 2-3 hours to spare per week to become an 'Older Friend'?

Activities can include drawing; painting; shopping; cooking, swimming or watching a football match.

As you would expect, you must meet certain criteria, including being over 18 years old, preferably with transport; having a genuine interest in children and a desire to help those in need; providing two character references and going through a Criminal Records Bureau check.

For more information and an application form, visit our website.

Make a donation

If you would like to make a donation, go to our website for instructions via PayPal. Alternatively, contact us direct using any of the methods below.

Your donation will help fund the children's activities:

£7 for one child's activity per week; £364 to fund a child's activities for one year.



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Make a difference to a child's life...

Who we are

The Friendship Project was established in 1986 with the primary aim to support children disadvantaged by family circumstances. We provide children with an 'Older Friend' who helps to develop their confidence and self-esteem.

Operating throughout Warwickshire, all children are referred to our Charity through Warwickshire County Council Children's Services. We receive grants and donations from various charities, trusts and commercial organisations, as well as individuals, which help fund our operations.

How we help

The need for help is great and growing. There are many social reasons why more children are in need of our support.

Some have mentally or physically disabled siblings who demand much of their parent's time. Others are being bullied at school and have become withdrawn. Some are neglected and left to fend for themselves too much of the time. Some have lost a parent for whatever reason and feel the loss deeply. Others have some form of minor disability and some of our children just have no other opportunity to go out and have fun.

By providing an individual 'Older Friend' to give them support and take an interest in them, we can ease many of their problems. Our 'Older Friend' can provide access to learning opportunities and experiences the 'Younger Friend' will not receive within the home environment. Regular contact with a positive influence in their life will enable them to broaden their horizons and grow in confidence.



“Experience has shown that a weekly visit by someone who cares does make a difference”

How we make a difference

Meet Sebby...

Sebby was 6 years old when he was referred to The Friendship Project. He is one of five children. His mother has Lymphoedema and is bed bound and two of his siblings are Autistic. Sebby's dad is the sole carer for the family since Sebby's mum cannot be left and his two autistic brother's need constant care. This means that Sebby and his other two siblings are unable to go out and have fun as there is no-one to take them.

The Friendship Project matched Sebby with Lynne as the 'Older Friend'. Lynne describes her time with Sebby as "The highlight of my week." Sebby had never been on an escalator and very rarely did he get to play in the park. "The difference in him in a year is amazing."



Rebuilding

Dean* is 10 years old. His 'Older Friend' is Helen*. Dean's mother sadly died of Cancer and her partner left the family home leaving three children to be raised by their Nan.

Dean became very difficult at school and unable to make eye contact with teachers and other adults. By the onset of the friendship, Dean had moved to a new school.

Helen took Dean to the climbing wall in the sports centre at Warwick University. Both friends enjoyed the visits and Dean rose to the physical challenge which helped to build up trust between the two of them.

Slowly Dean has opened up to Helen and started to talk about himself and his difficulties during the past year or so.

*names have been changed

TAKE PART IN THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Story Garden



Starts on Saturday 5th July

Read books, share what you have been reading and collect your medal & certificate at the end at your local Warwickshire Library.

Find events



How it works

Find fantastic reads in the library

Download eBooks or listen to audio books with BorrowBox

Discuss your reading with your new classmates in Sept



Great places to eat out for less this summer:



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Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend

ASK ITALIAN

Kids under 10 eat for £1 during school holidays

BEEFEATER

Kids Eat FREE with Newsletter Voucher this Summer

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main

BILLS

Kids Eat Free weekdays, 21st July – 29th Sept

BREWERS FAYRE

Kids Eat FREE with Newsletter Voucher this Summer

BREWDOG

2 Kids eat free with 1 adult, 19th July - 31st August

BURGER KING

From 28th July - 31st August, Kids Eat Free (via app)

CHIQUITO

Kids eat FREE Daily Until August 31st

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch

FRANKIE & BENNY'S

Kids Eat Free from 14th July – 31st August 2025

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day

HARVESTER

Kids eat for £1, Mon - Fri via the App

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

MARCO PIERRE WHITE

Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

PREMIER INN & TRAVELODGE

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult

PUREZZA

Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

SIZZLING PUBS

Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult

TESCO

Kids Eat FREE with a 60p spend until Aug 31st

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

TOBY CARVERY

Kids eat for £1 all day (weekdays) until Aug 29th

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

ZIZZI

Kids eat free this summer holidays (ex Saturdays)

Youth Group at St Chad's Centre:

The Youth Club is a great way for BT Year 6 children to meet up with their friends who have gone on to study at different secondary schools to themselves – maintaining their old friendships as they are making new ones. There is a special session just for Year 6 leavers on 28th September – a great chance to catch up and chat about how secondary school is going...



Dates for your diary:

You can find out if we are on Week A or Week B by looking at a [special calendar on the website](#) created for this purpose, and linked to the PE timetables.

INSET DAYS for the academic year 2025-26

- Monday 1st September
- Friday 24th October
- Monday 5th January
- Friday 15th May
- Monday 20th July

[We will send another communication at the start of term with other dates, but please do keep an eye on the calendar on the school website for additions.](#)

Other important dates:

- Wednesday 17th September – Meet the Teacher sessions in school 3:30pm and 4pm. Teachers for children in Year 1-6 will be sharing key information about your child's year ahead, including details of trips.
- September 26th – 28th – Year 6 Residential to Manor Adventure
- 6th October 2025 - Princethorpe Maths Challenge (4 x Y5)
- 21st October 2025 - Y5 Singing Festival, Leamington Spa
- 11th November - Y5 Trip to Space Centre, Leicester
- 14th January 2026 - Young Voices, Birmingham
- 3rd March 2026 - School Photo Day
- 22nd April 2026 - Y3 Trip to Lunt Roman Fort, Baginton
- 24th June 2026 - Y1 Trip to St John's House, Warwick