

BISHOP LONSDALE CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

**B**ecoming—**I**ndependent—**S**uccessful—**H**onest—**O**pen minded—**P**eople

*John 14:6 Jesus said,*

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



# Newsletter



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*Although a few weeks in, we would like to welcome all families back to school and what a busy few weeks it has been! It was lovely to see so many of you at the Harvest Festival -the children and staff appreciated your support. Many thanks for your generous donations which have been passed onto the Padley Centre who were very grateful. Our next event is the Bible Giving service at St Luke's Church on Wednesday 18th October. All Year 3 children and children new to Key Stage Two will be presented with their bibles. You are all more than welcome to join us to celebrate this occasion.*

*Fittingly, our Christian Value this half term is 'Community'*

*Miss Brownhall*  
(Head of School)

*Mr Hetherington*  
(Executive Headteacher)

## **ATTENDANCE**

All schools across the country should aim to get 98% attendance. Since September Bishop Lonsdale's attendance has been as follows:

**Week One: 98% Week Two: 97% Week Three: 96% Week Four: 92%**

We have made such a fantastic start but had a big drop last week, so it would be great to get back to those excellent percentages we had in the first week.

We have many enquiries about children attending school when ill. You may send your child to school with a cold or sore throat. You should keep your child at home if they have a high temperature, sickness or diarrhoea. For further information please use the following link [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

We would like to remind you that holidays during term time will not be authorised. We would also urge you to make routine dental and optician's appointments outside school hours. Thank you for your support in raising attendance at Bishop Lonsdale.

## **PUNCTUALITY PUSH**

Being on time for school is important. Even missing the first five minutes of school can have a negative impact on your child's day and education. Over the next fortnight we will be having a real push on punctuality. For every day your child arrives to school on time they will receive a raffle ticket for a prize draw.



**Gates open: 8.50am**  
**Doors open: 8.55am**  
**Gates shut: 9.00am**



## NURSERY ADMISSIONS

**We have limited spaces available in our Nursery.**

If you have a three year old we would encourage you to see Mrs Doyle as soon as possible to ensure your child gets a place. If you have a child younger than three - we would also encourage you to reserve a place. If you have any queries about Nursery places see Miss Brownhall or Mrs Doyle.

## PARENT HUB

If you have a smart phone, we would strongly advise you to install the free app Parent Hub and follow@BishopLonsdale. This is our main line of communication. Please follow the instructions below. If you already have the app please take a moment to check it is working. If you require any help, please do not hesitate to ask at the school office or see Miss Brownhall othe



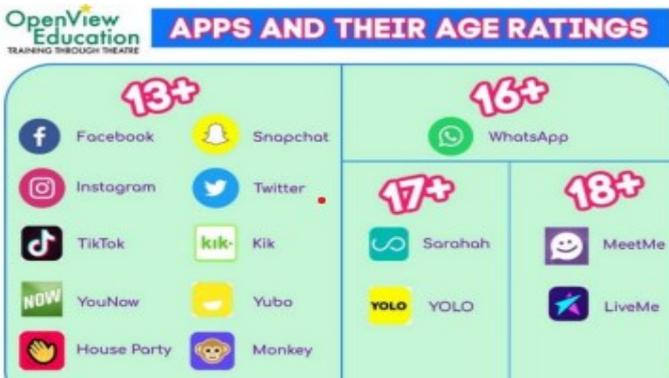
1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Join a School" and enter the school handle (above).

## PARENT PAY

During your child's time at school there will be times when you need to pay money. This may be for dinners, day care, trips or charity donations. We therefore recommend you sign up to ParentPay as soon as possible. Please use the QR code to watch a simple video to help with set up.



## ONLINE SAFETY



Please note that **none of these apps** are suitable for primary aged children. We would once again strongly advise you remove these apps from your child's device and monitor any messages being sent to and from mobile phones.

## EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**For more photos follow us on 'X' formally known as Twitter on @bishoplonsdale1**



## KEY DATES FOR 2023/24

\* Recently added events will be in blue

Wednesday 18th October 2023	Bible Giving Service at St Luke's
Tuesday 24th October 2023	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 25th October 2023	Parents' Evening
Friday 27th October 2023	BREAK UP
Monday 6th November 2023	INSET DAY
Tuesday 7th November 2023	RETURN TO SCHOOL
Tuesday 7th November 2023	E-safety event for parents
Monday 13th November 2023	Cyclo X Year 5 and Year 6
W/B 13th November 2023	Anti Bullying Week
Friday 10th November 2023	Skateboarding Year 5 and Year 6
Tuesday 21st November 2023	NHS Health Screening—Reception children
Tuesday 5th December 2023	Christmas Bingo
Tuesday 12th December 2023 pm	EYFS and KS1 Nativity
Wednesday 13th December 2023 pm	EYFS and KS1 Nativity
Thursday 14th December 2023 pm	EYFS and KS1 Nativity
Wednesday 20th December	Christmas Carol and Christingle Service
Friday 22nd December 2023	BREAK UP
Monday 8th January 2024	Return to School
Thursday 15th February 2024	BREAK UP
Friday 16th February 2024	INSET DAY
Wednesday 27th March 2024	Easter Service at St Luke's
Friday 29th March 2024	BREAK UP
Monday 15th April 2024	Return to school
Friday 24th May 2024	BREAK UP
Monday 3rd June 2024	Return to school
Tuesday 4th June 2023	Class Photos
Wednesday 26th June 2024	Sports' Day
Friday 28th June 2024	INSET DAY
Wednesday 31st July 2024	BREAK UP

**We will send out Parent Hub reminders of these events with further details.**