

Bishopstrow College - March 2019 Newsletter

Winter wonderland at Bishopstrow!





The UK was hit by a flurry of snow in late February/early March, making for some snow fun for our students! The school grounds were turned into Narnia and for many of our international students this was the first time they ever experienced the joy of snow. Only a few days later the UK's spring weather returned and now our beautiful gardens are full of spring flowers.

A few words from the Principal

As we reach the official start of Spring and have longer days there is a definite raising of spirits and enthusiasm. It has been truly wonderful to see the students learning about different cultures and the students all adored the meal for Chinese New Year. Emphasis on the College's five virtues on team work, kindness, organisation, hard work and politeness has been seen particularly in this final week of term when the College Council of Students had devised a whole day of charitable events for Comic Relief. Red noses have abounded in the College

London Bound!



Although in typical English style the weather was a little grey and miserable, our students still enjoyed our termly trip to London. Students went on a fantastic river cruise up the River Thames where they were able to have a beautiful view of the City of London and all of its attractions from the water. After the cruise the students visited The Tower London and even got to do a little bit of shopping!

Bishopstrow vs Sherborne Badminton



Sabina, Sumika, Louis, Jiayi, Nikita, Steve, Jared and Shawn all went to face Sherborne School in a badminton competition. At first the senior students were highly nervous, but then when greeted by Sherborne School and a familiar face of former pupil Maria, the Bishopstrow College students were put at ease. Our now fearless students played close competitions in doubles, with Steve smashing the opponents to smithereens with no chance of a return. The Bishopstrow students left the sport centre with their

heads held high and the title of champions after beating Sherborne 13 out of 16 games. All of the other students and staff members of Bishopstrow could not be prouder of the Badminton champions and this was shown by the large cheer as they entered back into the College

Place availability

International students who have attended Bishopstrow prior to progressing to their destination school, find our preparation-for-boarding programmes to be of great benefit, not just from an English language perspective, but as importantly, in being prepared to continue their education at a mainstream boarding school. As a result, they are better placed to 'fit in' when they arrive at their next school. We now have teaching partnerships with over 90 mainstream British boarding schools, meaning that students can easily transition to their chosen mainstream school as soon as they are ready whilst still only applying for 1 Tier 4 (Child) visa. Against this background, we still have places a few places available for Term 4 as well as our 5 week Academic Summer Programme. We have also opened admissions for September 2019 entry, so please do get in touch with our Registrar, Miss Natalie Cox (enquires@bishopstrow.com), if you have any students who you feel would benefit from enrolling onto one of the College's programmes.

