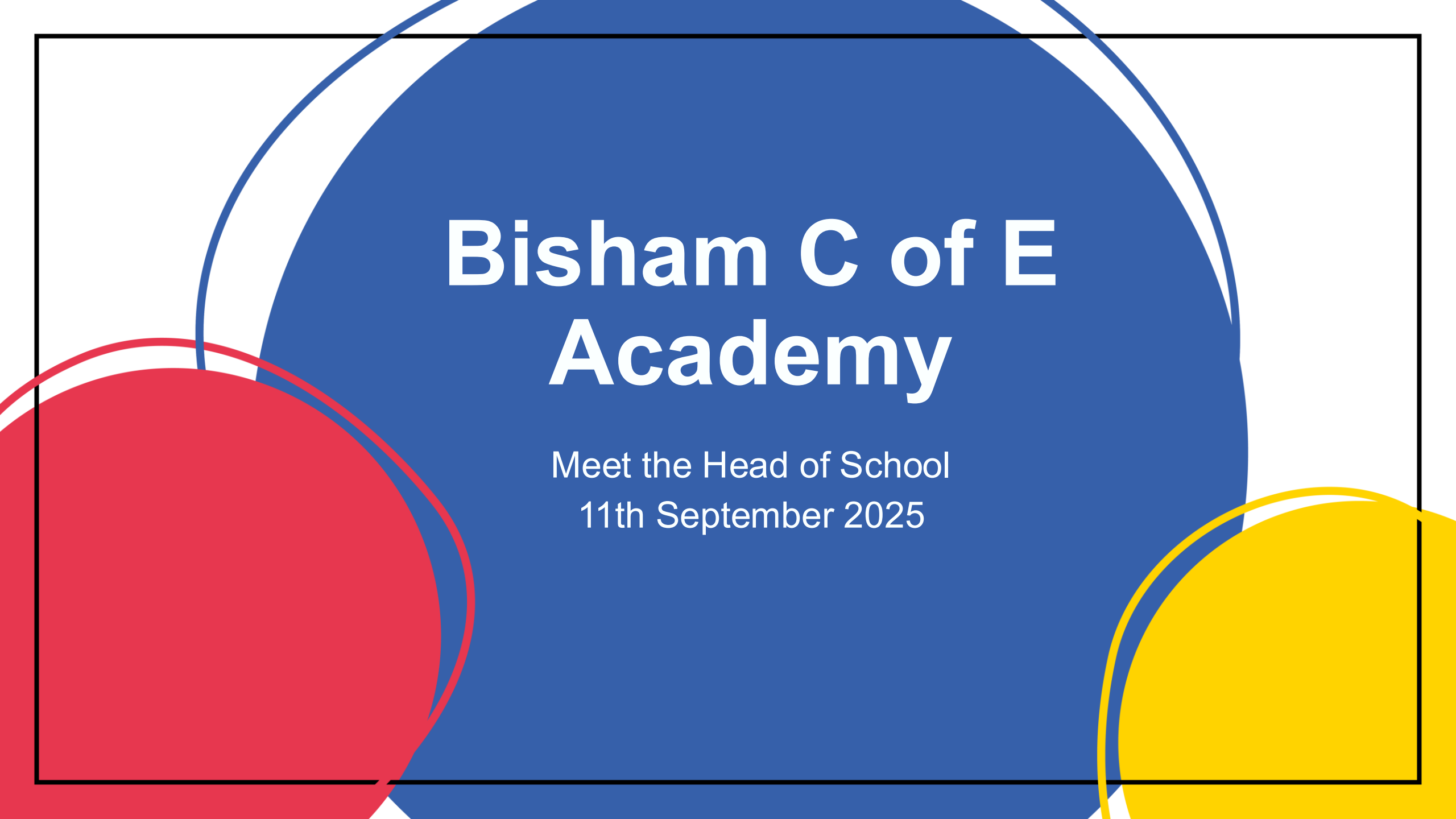




Bisham C of E Academy

Meet the Head of School
11th September 2025



Welcome

- Welcome to another academic year and a warm welcome to our new families. My name is Emma Brookman. I am the Head of School.
- 20 years experience within the education system and my roles have included being a Support Assistant, Class Teaching Assistant, Teacher, Head of Key Stage, Head of Early Years, Local Authority Moderator, Assistant Head Teacher and Head of School.
- Current positions are Head of School, Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator and Attendance Officer.
- The school is supported by a wonderful teaching team, governors, the Trust and you as parents.

Therefore, ***encourage***
one another and
build each other up.

-1 Thessalonians 5:11



Vision

- The Ashley Hill Multi Academy Trust is committed to securing the best outcomes for every child within a learning environment characterised by its christian ethos.
- Each child is encouraged to develop and use their gifts and talents.
- Each child is supported to fulfill their potential as well rounded, well behaved independent individuals in preparation for their role in the society.

- Growth in pupil numbers.
- Spacemakers contemplative tool supporting the development and growth of pupil spirituality.
- Strengthened links with the church, Bisham Church Friends, Bisham Abbey Sports Centre.
- Strengthening of the school wider offering through coffee mornings for SEN parents, more clubs, more visitors, more PTA events.
- High percentage of replies to the parent survey with an overwhelmingly positive response to the school offering.
- SIAMS inspection.

Success Points from 2024/2025

There are lots of ways to receive information from the school:

- Arbor
 - Newsletters
 - Emails
 - Website
 - Calendar
 - Class pages
 - Meet the Teacher
 - Head of School information evening
 - Parents' evening.
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- If you need to make an appointment with the class teacher, please contact the school office.
 - If you need to make an appointment with the Head of School, SENCo, Designated Safeguarding Lead or Attendance Officer, please email directly.

Communication

Attendance matters.

- There is a strong link between attendance and educational outcomes.
- Children are expected to be in school every day and on time during term time.
- Ideally, children should be in school for 8.30am.
- Registration closes at 8.50am.
- If your child is unwell, please call the school office before 8.50am.
- If you arrive late or leave early, you must sign at the office giving a reason for this.
- Term time holidays require a form to be completed. A fixed penalty notice for term time absence may be incurred.
- *The Attendance Officer meets with the Education Welfare Officer (local authority) each term to discuss individual pupil attendance.

Attendance and Punctuality

- We offer a rich curriculum that is broad and balanced filled with opportunities and challenge.
- Curriculum newsletters are available termly. This information will provide you with a reflective account about the learning that has taken place during the term.
- Class pages are available on the website and contain lots of useful information. These are updated weekly.
- School trips provide educational experiences for the children and are carefully planned to make learning memorable.

Curriculum Information

- Reading development is given a high priority.
- Plenty of opportunities in the curriculum to develop the skill of reading.
- Systematic synthetic phonics is taught through the Read Write Inc scheme.
- Reading Routes offers additional reading material for children.
- Parental involvement in reading is extremely important and reading record books should be signed daily.

*If you find that your child does not read at home, please contact us.

Reading

Extended School Day and Clubs

- Breakfast club starts at 7.30am.
- After school care is available until 6pm.
- Clubs provided by external providers are Sewing, Cooking, FAB Academy football, Outdoor Project, and TeachitRight 11+ tuition.
- Clubs free of charge are Glee, Church Choir, Chess and Football.

Pupil Progress Feedback

- Parents' Evening is offered in the autumn term and spring term.
- End of Year report is provided in the summer term and sent via email.
- Attendance report is provided in the summer term and sent via email.

- Staff work hard to meet the needs of all children.
- Half termly coffee morning is offered for parents of children with special educational needs.
- Meetings with the Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo) are readily available if you have concern or need to make a referral.
- Half termly meetings with the SENCo are available to book. This will help you keep up to date with your child's progress and targets to work on.

Special Educational Needs

- Parenting support meetings are readily available. If you have a concern or need a referral to be made, please contact the Head of School.

Parenting Support

PTA

- The PTA work tirelessly to raise money for the school and they are always looking for volunteers.
- The PTA have funded the outdoor classroom, a first aid workshop for year 5 and 6 and resourced the new small world role play area.
- Next meeting (online) is on Tuesday 16th Sept 2025 at 7.30pm.

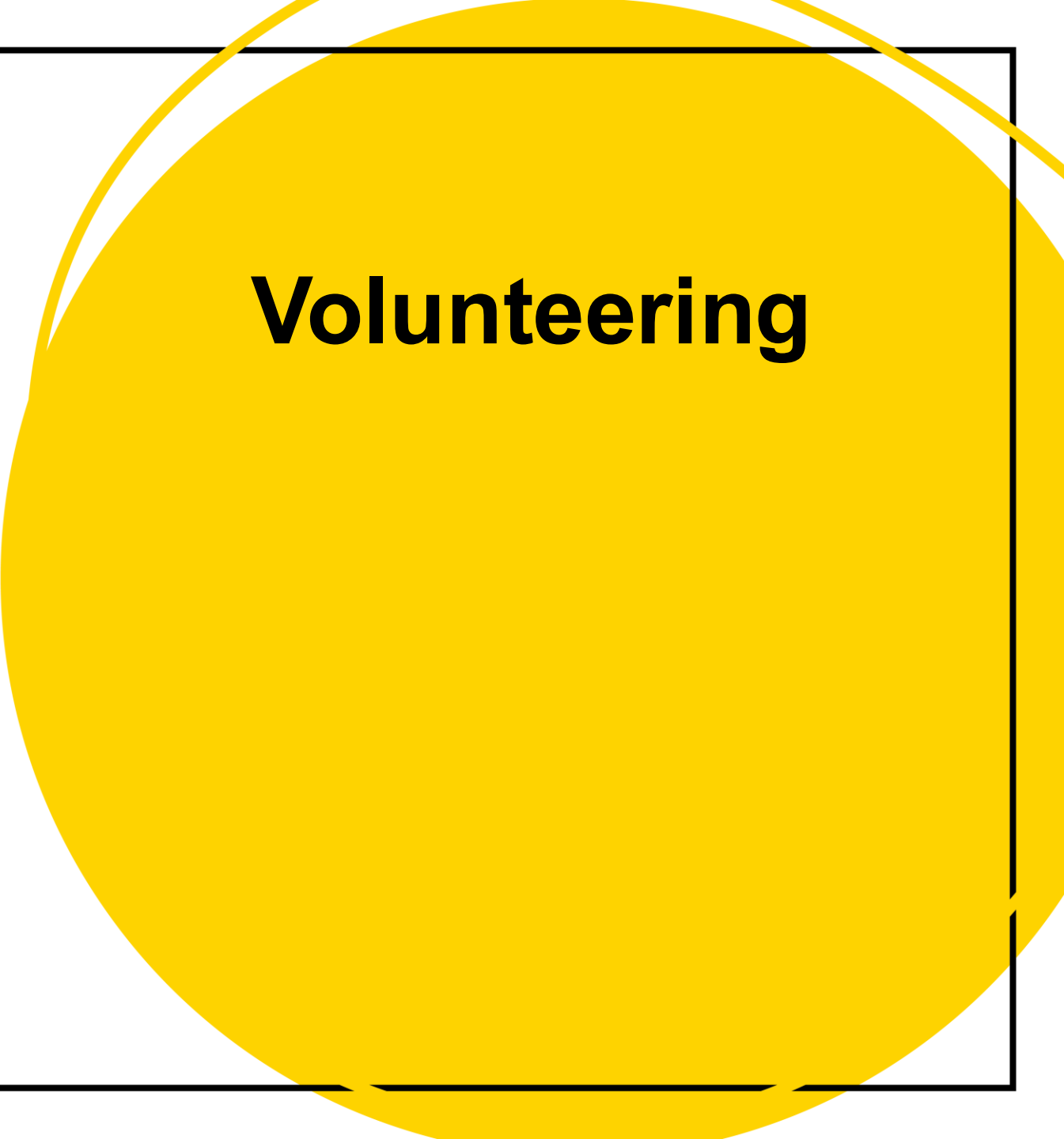
Church

- Strong links with All Saints' Church.
- Fortnightly collective worship with and Reverend Carol.
- Community carols near Christmas. Children are invited to dress up as a nativity character.

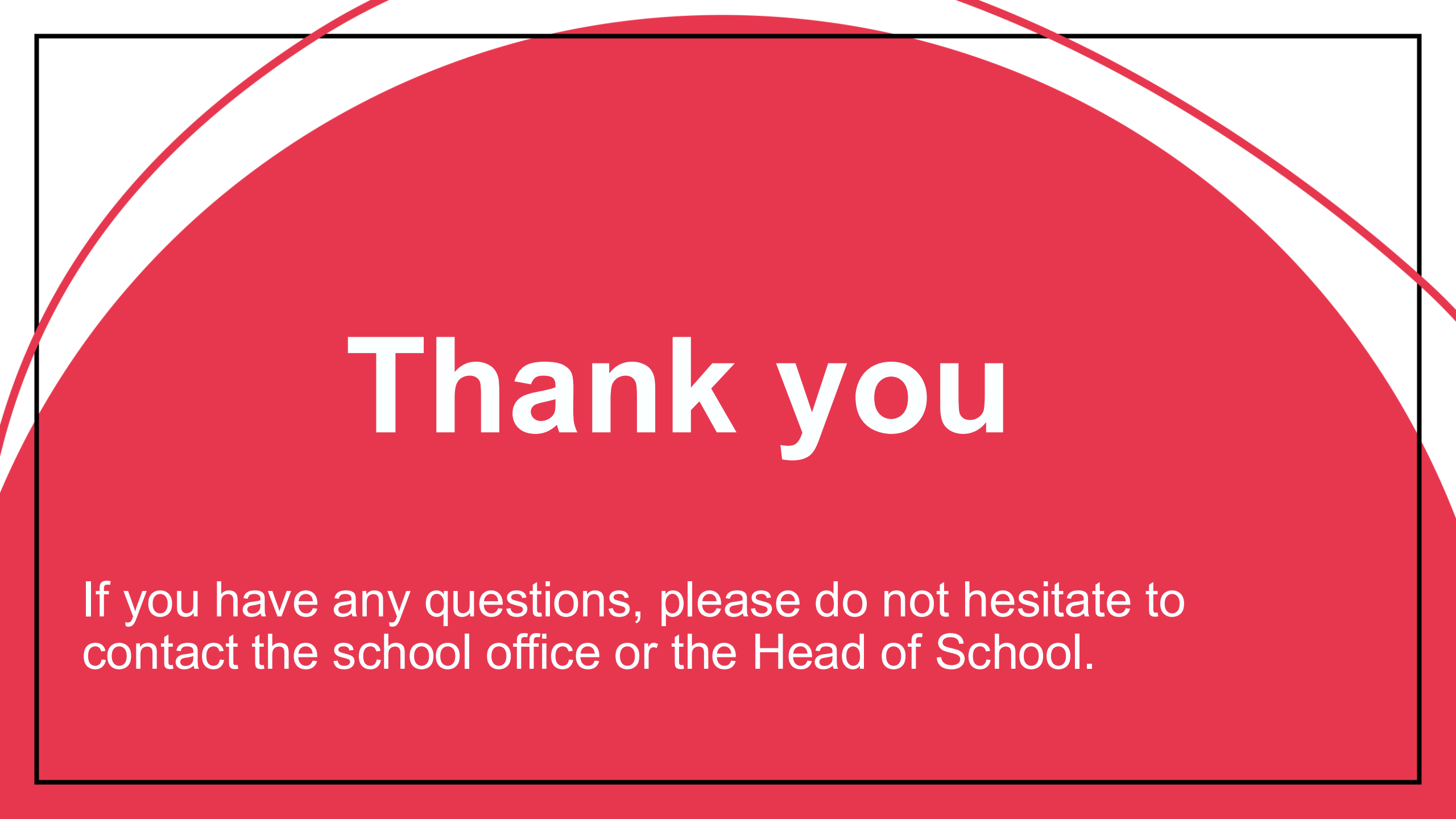
Bisham Abbey Sports Centre

- Links are strengthening with the sports centre through their community lead, Howard Hastings.
- The centre supports our parking arrangements.
- The centre invites our children to events eg. Power2Inspire Games.
- This year, we have arranged opportunities to use their 3G pitch.

- If you are interested in volunteering please contact me. You would be most welcome.



Volunteering



Thank you

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or the Head of School.