



Friday 20th May 2022

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to everyone who has donated money and helped children to organise events to raise money for Hope International. The children were amazing today and thoroughly enjoyed their Run for H2O.

Mr Davis says "The generosity and support I have received for the run for H2O in support of Hope International and the water project in Harbir, Ethiopia has been simply breath-taking. The children are excited about the event and the cause and have raised incredible amounts of money through cake sales, biking, skating and of course running with the help and support of the parents and carers of this amazing school community of St Bon's. I will be playing back the memories of this day as I run the 55kms in 3 weeks' time on the Pembrokeshire coastal path. Thank you so much."

Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

As you are aware, we are going to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in school on Thursday 26th May. We are inviting all children to make a crown at home which they will wear to school on this day. We will hold a Crown procession first thing on the playground and welcome parents staying after drop off to see this at around 9am.

In addition to the children wearing their homemade crowns, we are also inviting each year group to come to school on this day wearing a fashion of a decade. Year groups have been allocated the following decade:

Reception: present day

Year 1: noughties

Year 2: 90s

Year 3: 80s

Year 4: 70s

Year 5: 60s

Year 6: 50s

We are planning to have a whole school finale at the end of the day where we invite all parents to join us at 2.45pm on the playground.

Annual parents' questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who has completed our annual parents' questionnaire which was sent out via email at the start of the week. If you haven't had the chance to complete it please use the following link to do so:

<https://forms.gle/j7LmVJt6EXocmxrP9>

Your responses will be kept confidential. We'd appreciate all responses by midday on Friday 3rd June 2022 which is when the questionnaire will close.

New Reception pupils - transition arrangements

Thank you to the current Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents who completed the Google forms survey based on their child's Reception settling in experience. As a result of your input, we have decided to reduce the length of our settling in period and to provide breakfast and after school club from day one. There are a number of other little tweaks that we are implementing. Thank you, it is always helpful to have your views to help us shape our provision.

Reading books

You will be aware from last week's newsletter that we are asking all parents and carers to return their children's reading scheme books to school on Monday 23rd May. This will enable us to audit the books on the scheme and identify where we need to purchase replacements.

In the short-term please use your child's Bug Club log in to access online reading books. Books will be reissued after half term.

Best,

mrs Ballantine

Sarah Ballantine
Headteacher

Events from week commencing: Monday 23rd May 2022 (MENU week 3)

Monday 23rd May: Drama production all week

Friday 27th May: INSET day – school closed

Events from week commencing: Monday 6th June 2022 (MENU week 1)

Monday 6th June: INSET day – school closed

Monday 13th June: Class photos

NETBALL COUNTY CHAMPIONS!

We are incredibly proud of our year 5 and 6 netball team who won the county championships yesterday. Well done to everyone in the team. Mrs Hinkins is with the winning team in the photo below: Kareemah, Chinenye, Isabella, Lucy, Hannah, Thea and Sofia



Reading books to be returned please

Please can all reading books be returned to school by Monday 23rd May so that we can do a book audit.
Please continue to use Bug Club online books over the half term holiday.
Thank you, Mrs Rees

Extended schools update

Bookings can now be made for ASC and BC for Term 6. Credits from Term 5 have been moved forward. If you still have an outstanding balance for Term 5, please arrange payment as soon as possible.

Cancellation Period

Once booked, a session can be cancelled but will not be refunded. Any refunds are at the club's discretion. Any requests for refunds need to be made in writing. However, day swaps are available.

May Playscheme

Just to inform you that the reason we are not opening the Playscheme over the May half term is due to it not being viable to open over a period of three days.

Run for H2O – how to donate if you would still like to

Mr Davis will again be raising money for Hope International, an amazing water charity, through their 'Run for H2O' campaign. He aims to raise a massive £10,000. He will be running 34.5 miles on the Pembrokeshire coastal path on Saturday 11th June. If you would like to donate, please visit

<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/Run4H2O2022>

Drama Club – production dates and ticket sales

Production dates, all in the school Hall:

Tuesday 24th May @ 3.30pm – Cast A
Wednesday 25th May @ 3.30pm – Cast B
Wednesday 25th May @ 6.45pm – Cast A
Thursday 26th May @ 6.30pm – Cast B

We still have tickets available for the matinee performance on Wednesday at 3.30pm.

Bike Marking sessions with local police

Our local PCSO has let us know that there will be two bike marking events happening where you can get bikes security marked:

25th June - 10:00 – 14:00 - Redland Green Park

26th June - 10:00 – 14:00 - Sainsbury's, 2-4 Gloucester Road, BS7 8AE
(near the Arches, not up near Boston Tea Party)

PTFA News

www.stbonsptfa.com

Facebook – St Bons Parents and Carers

Instagram - @stbonsptfa

Email – ptfa.stbons@gmail.com

Let's play!

Thank you all for voting. By far the most popular choice was option 1. We've also put it to the school council to get the children's thoughts on what they would like to see.



Summer Fair 2022 - What can you do?

- Sponsorship and prizes needed - can you or do you know a company that could sponsor the bouncy castle (or similar) we're hoping to have or some burgers for the BBQ? Could you provide a star prize or vouchers for the tombola? If so please get in touch by any of the methods above.
- Donations needed - please start having a think and a look for things you could donate to the tombola, bottle stall and for soft toys.
- We'll also be doing a summer picnic hamper draw so look out for more information coming from your class reps.
- Facepainters - We're not looking for professional makeup artists so don't be afraid to put your hand up if you could give some simple designs a go (example only!)

Bag2School Collection

The next Bag2School collection will be on 15th June so start clearing those cupboards!

The following can be accepted:

Men's, ladies' and children's clothing

Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)

Handbags

Hats and bags

Scarves and ties

Jewellery and lingerie

Socks, belts, soft toys

Household linen, household curtains,

household towels, household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Hygiene Bank – Volunteers Needed

- Residents of Egerton Road have been coordinating food parcels and a hygiene bank for families requiring assistance at St Bons. This initially started during the pandemic but ongoing support is needed. The current coordinator is asking for someone (or a small team of people) from the school community to assist her.
- If you are interested in learning more, we can put you in touch with the current coordinator.

New Secretary Needed!

Our current wonderful secretary Lu Griffiths will be standing down at the AGM next year. It would be great if we would get a new recruit in place now who could shadow Lu from now and learn the ropes ready to take over. Please let us know if interested.

Second-Hand Uniform

If you are in need of uniform or have any donations (branded and in good condition) please email ptfauniformrep@gmail.com

Community Food Pantry - update

We're working with AidBox Community to support their campaign to provide school uniforms for refugees fleeing the war in Ukraine and starting school in the city.

Can you help us source the following things?

Second hand rucksacks, school shoes, trainers in good condition, PE kits

NEW polo shirts, socks, tights and underwear

If you can help, please drop items off before 7th June in the Presbytery donation box or to Jenny Glester at 57 Egerton Road.

If you would prefer to donate money, please head to <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/schooluniform>

Thank you - anything you can offer will make a difference and nothing will go unused!

Alongside this, we haven't forgotten our core mission:

To provide a source of free toiletries and nutritious, long-lasting food for the increasing numbers of people in need. The Community Food Pantry is still very much in demand - and we still need your help!

How can I help?

Right now, we really need cash donations to help with food shopping. Giving cash allows Jenny, our brilliant lead volunteer, to go shopping each week for items that are desperately needed but are not in the store. We are also incredibly grateful for any food you can give. Any amount at all is helpful, even one packet, box or bottle of something! Here are the items we're most in need of at the moment.

Please only donate the items on the list below:

Cooking oil	Pasta
Tinned fruit	Sweetcorn
Tuna	Sugar
Flour	Tea
Coffee	Kitchen roll
Jam	Washing up liquid
Shampoo	Deodorant
Shaving foam	

Please DO NOT donate fresh food (we can't safely store it and it will go to waste)

Where do I leave food donations?

Please put **food donations** either in the **clear box labelled "Community Food Pantry Donation Box"** at the **back of the church** or in the **box outside the front door of the Presbytery**.

How do I donate money?

There is a "Food Pantry" button on the Donation Point inside the church if you would like to make monetary donations by card. Or you can give cash to Mgr Massey or put it in an envelope through Jenny Glester's door at 57 Egerton Road.

How do I donate my time?

If you'd like to get involved in the organisation of the Community Food Pantry, you can join our WhatsApp group by following this link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kq3UpC345FdDOPMnNwQfja>

Thank you all for your support!

Clubs and sports at St Bon's

Week of 23rd May

Premier Sport Football	YES – Monday – Thursday
Netball	YES - Monday YES - Tuesday
Gymnastics	NO – Tuesday due to drama production
Mr Morgan after school	YES – Team Girls' Football, Team Basketball
Drama	PRODUCTIONS ALL WEEK
Rugby	YES – Thursday LAST SESSION – NO TAG RUGBY IN TERM 6
Yoga	SCHOOL CLOSED
Chess	SCHOOL CLOSED
Hockey	SCHOOL CLOSED

Week of 6th June

Premier Sport Football	NO – Monday – SCHOOL CLOSED YES – Tuesday to Thursday
Netball	NO – Monday – SCHOOL CLOSED YES - Tuesday
Gymnastics	NO – Tuesday
Mr Morgan after school	YES – Team Girls' Football, Team Basketball
Rugby	NO TAG RUGBY IN TERM 6
Yoga	TBC
Chess	NO – Friday – teacher away
Hockey	Yes – Friday

COMMUNITY NEWS

One of our parents has signed up to The Big Plastic Count - the UK's biggest investigation into household plastic waste.

It will uncover the truth about how much plastic passes through our homes and what happens to it, and new game-changing evidence will be gathered that will push the government to tackle the plastic crisis.

Will you join too? <https://thebigplasticcount.com/share/email>

Find out more here: <https://thebigplasticcount.com>

St Bon's Brownies has vacancies for new Brownies. If you have a daughter in Year 2 or above and would like your daughter to join the parish Brownie group, please contact stbonsbrownies@gmail.com

Sinead Pelley Health & Wellbeing

Kinesiology is a completely natural and highly effective way to attain optimum mental and physical health.

It uses gentle muscle testing to identify, understand and rectify any imbalance within the body and is suitable for all ages.

Kinesiology is incredibly effective for children and parents are amazed at how quickly results are achieved. I offer various different treatments including Kinesiology, Nutrition & Food Testing, Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT), Targeted Gut Health Support, Wellness Advice and much more.

I offer a free 10-minute phone consultation and 10% off all initial treatments for St Bonaventure's families. Pop in to see me at the Bank Fitness on Henleaze Road – I am offering free 15 minute slots for you to visit my clinic and talk through how I can help either you or your loved ones.

To book, please message me via my 'Contact Sinead' page @ www.healthandwellbeingbristol.co.uk
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