



ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Striving to be the best we can,
guided by the light of Christ

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Friday 20th April 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Now that the sun is shining, please note the information below about sun cream and sandals. It is important that the children are given adequate protection before coming to school. Hats are also useful for lunchtime but please make sure they are labelled.

Could I draw your attention to the appeal below for help during lunchtimes? Due to staffing levels, we are not currently able to use the back playground during lunchtime. This means that the Playpod is not used and that football cannot be played. We need two volunteers per lunchtime, working with members of staff, to ensure that the children can make full use of our facilities.

I am extremely proud to say that two of our staff – Mrs Ballatine and Mrs Noto – will be running the Bristol 10k next month in order to raise funds to support reading intervention across the school. They have been inspired by the children who are always putting others before themselves in their fundraising. They wanted to give something back! Their target is £1000 – anything you can donate would be hugely appreciated. Their Just Giving page is
https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/mrsbandmrsn?utm_id=2&utm_term=6eGWDaNMm

Best wishes,

Lucille Charles
Headteacher

Events week commencing: Monday 23rd April 2018 (**NEW MENU week 2**)

Mon 23rd:
Tues 24th:

St George's Day – children in this house can wear red
RM class assembly 2.45pm – parents welcome

Events week commencing: Monday 30th April 2018 (**NEW MENU week 3**)

Mon 30th:
Tues 1st May:

Piano concert @ 2.45pm – parents welcome
RH class assembly 2.45pm – parents welcome

Helping us to make use of the back playground



Due to current staffing levels being lower than in previous years, we are currently not able to use the back playground at lunchtime. This means that access to the Playpod is not available and that football can't be played in the main playground due to it being too congested.

If you are able to offer an hour of your time, between 12.15pm and 1.15pm on any day of the week, please do let us know. With two additional helpers per day, we can open up the back playground again. We will run a rota so that the children have a chance to play football. The more helpers we have, the fewer sessions each person will need to do. Please do contact the office if you can help at
st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk

Office closed Thurs 26th April

The office will be closed next Thursday between 9.30 and 3pm. If you need to leave a message regarding picking up arrangements, please email or leave a phone message – messages will be checked throughout the day.

Lost property

Tables displaying lost property will be in the playground at 3.15pm next Wednesday. Anyone who can help Antoinette Wilson, please arrive at 2.55pm.

Next SEND meeting

The next SEND parent group meeting will be held on Thursday 17th May. If you would like to discuss anything in particular then please get in touch with Mrs Harvey at sencostbonaventures@bristol-schools.uk New members are always welcome.

In addition, the school speech and language therapist will be holding another drop in session on Thursday 14th June. If this is of interest to you, then please email Mrs Harvey for a time slot using sencostbonaventures@bristol-schools.uk.

Summer Fair - can you help?

Holiday home to offer? For the past two years we have been able to offer a villa stay as the first prize in the Summer Fair Raffle. Do you, or does a member of your family, have a holiday home in the UK or abroad? If so, would you be willing to offer a weekend or week holiday for our raffle prize? Please contact ptfa.stbons@gmail.com or speak to Melanie Bunce or Hilary Wilcox if you can help.

Hair Braiding We are looking for someone new to head up the Hair Braiding team for the Summer Fair. If you enjoy plaiting hair and think you could help, please contact ptfa.stbons@gmail.com or speak to Melanie Bunce or Hilary Wilcox. This is a very popular stall at the fair and it would be a shame if we could not run it.



****Celebration 2018****

Friday 8th June 2018 at the Bristol Pavilion,
Glos Cricket Club, Nevil Road, Bishopston.

Tickets are still available and will be on sale in the playground over the next few Fridays. Tickets are priced at £40 and will include...

3 course meal with a drink on arrival, a drink with your meal
and a glass of fizz for the toast!

There will be music from the Velvetones to get the evening going
followed by a disco and a charity raffle!

Dress code : Smart

Pre-dinner drinks from 6.45pm, Dinner at 7.30pm, Last dance 11.30pm

If you would like to sit with friends or colleagues please list those you would like to sit with. Tables can seat up to 10 people. No need to be a full table of 10 just let us know how many tickets you would like and we will do the rest. Tickets are limited so please get your reservations in early.

Does Your Child Attend - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB? BREAKFAST CLUB? HOLIDAY CLUBS?

If so, please check all balances on School Gateway and make sure that all outstanding fees for previous terms have been paid. If they haven't, please settle these amounts as a matter of urgency and make it absolutely clear which terms your payment is for. Thank you.

Sun cream and sandals

Just a reminder that sun cream cannot be brought into school. Please use 12 hour protection lotion which can be applied before school.

If sandals are being worn, please ensure your child also wears socks. Thank you.

Beauty and the Beast DVDs

Final call. We will be getting these produced next week so all orders need to be in by Friday 20th April. If you would like to order a DVD or photos, please fill out a slip from the office and put it with all monies in an envelope marked with you name, in the drop box.

National Tang Soo Do Championships



Congratulations to the St Bon's students who took part in the National Tang Soo Do Championships in Nottingham last weekend. There were three elements to the competition, Weapons and Forms (Hyungs), and Sparring. For the first two elements, the children must perform a set sequence of martial arts techniques and the judges are looking at discipline and accuracy as they perform the moves. The last element is sparring, where they fight! They are grouped according to their belt grade.

A team of 17 went from Bishopston Tang Soo Do aged between 5 and 77 years old. Seven students from St Bonaventure's were on the team. They all did amazingly well and five came home with a trophy. Vinnie 6D got 3rd place in Weapons, Emily H 6D got second place in Hyungs, Ivo 5K got 2nd place in Hyungs, Sean 4SA got second place in Hyungs, Luka 3CG got second place in Weapons. Francesca 4SA, Kaya 6D and Connor Ibbotson (previous student) narrowly missed out on their podium spot this time. Well done to you all!

Bishopston Tang Soo Do classes are held in St Bonaventure's school on Thursdays between 5-6pm and 6-7.15pm.

School website – would you like some help?

We would like to find out if it would be helpful to parents to run an information session about how to get the most out of our school website. With class pages and a large amount of information available now online, if you would like some guidance about what lives where on our website and how best to use it please contact the school office on st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk

If we have sufficient interest, we will run a workshop some time in term 5 or 6.

Drama scripts

Please ensure any Beauty and the Beast scripts are returned to the school office by Friday 13th April. Please note that we do have a list of which copies are with which children so we will be chasing you if they are not returned! We are not able to photocopy any so would like them all back please.

'Brilliant Breakfasts for Brainy Bons' competition

Last week in assembly Miss Strickland, Mrs Woods and School Council launched a new competition to encourage a healthy start to the day.

For the 'Brilliant Breakfasts for Brainy Bons' competition, we have asked the children to make a creative and nutritious breakfast with a catchy name, take a photograph of their wonderful creation and email the photo into school. They have been shown examples such as the 'Tweetabix' (a Weetabix bird with fruity wings and feet!) to help them with ideas.

Breakfasts will be judged on creativeness, healthiness and funniest name.
Winners will enjoy a breakfast in the staff room with Mrs Ballantine and three friends!

Please email your fun breakfast creations to the school office st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk with the subject header 'Brilliant Breakfasts'.

The competition will close on Friday 27th April.

SPORTS NEWS THIS WEEK – please see the table below for all club information

Team football: Training as usual Wednesday 18th April.

Swimming

Good luck to the swimmers who qualified for the finals of the Bristol schools on Saturday 21st April. These swimmers are the top 8 fastest swimmers in Bristol so this is an amazing achievement.

Gymnastics afterschool club

There are a few spaces available for the afterschool gymnastics club for Y5, Y4 and Y3. This is run by Bristol school of gymnastics and is an excellent opportunity. All those who are interested please speak to Mrs McGrath or Vicky Ashworth at the club.

Yoga

Yoga has resumed on Mondays at 7.50am. We have a few spaces for children to attend this, please see Mrs McGrath if you are interested.

New Cricket club

There is a new cricket club starting in term 5 run by Shine. Please see flyer attached to this newsletter for more information.

Free early morning badminton club

Premier Sport is running a free taster badminton club on Tuesday mornings from 7.45am – 8.30am. This club will start on Tuesday 17th April. All those in Yr 3,4,5 can join. Please email the school if you are interested or fill out a club slip from the office.

Dance

Both KS1 (Fridays) and KS2 (Wednesdays) dance classes, run by RISE will resume in term 5. Letters are available from the office.

Tag Rugby

Well done to the team who took part in the county finals on Thursday at BGS sports ground. Having got through the final unbeaten they picked up the silver medals in a very closely fought final against Bromley Heath. An amazing achievement.

Archery

Well done to the archery teams who took part in the county finals on Thursday 4th and 5th places.

Hockey

Well done to the hockey team who took part in the county finals on Thursday 5th place is a very respectable placing.

Gymnastics

Good luck to the teams taking part in the gymnastic competition next Friday morning at St Bede's. All parents are welcome to come along and watch. Please get reply slips back asap.

PE kit

Please ensure all PE kit is in schools from Monday to Friday, Children can now wear blue tracksuit bottoms for outdoor PE. Please note the school PE kit is a white round neck T-shirt (no collar) and BLUE shorts. (Long legged track suit bottoms are only allowed in terms 2 and 3) Trainers or daps are also needed.

1st Bishopston Scouts

Are still looking for more adult volunteers. If this is something you would like to do please speak to Mrs McGrath.

SPORTS & CLUBS LIST

Please check the school website or your email for news of club cancellations.

AFTER SCHOOL

RECEPTION, YEARS 1 and 2

DANCE CLUB Rise: Fridays KS1 3.30-4.30pm	Fridays Rec – Yr 2
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee on 07917 18 7771.	Mondays Reception, Yrs 1-2
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in St Francis Room. Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm – children are collected from their classrooms by Maria. For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.	Tuesdays Yrs 1, 2 and 3

YEARS 3-6

ARCHERY AND FENCING Premier Sport: Yrs 3,4, 5 and 6 **NEW** for Term 5 starting Friday 13 th April for 7 weeks. Forms have been sent home or book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
CLUB FOOTBALL Mr Morgan: Yrs 5 and 6	Weds 3.15 – 4.30pm
DANCE CLUB Rise: Wednesdays KS2 3.30-4.30pm	Weds KS2
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm Forms have been sent home or book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee on 07917 18 7771	Tuesdays Yrs 3-6
GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics: Yr 4 Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm Yr 5 and 6 Thursdays 3.15-4.15pm Please contact Vicky Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Tuesdays Yr 3 Thursdays Yr 4
HOCKEY Premier Sport: For years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Fridays 3.15 - 4.30pm. Forms have been sent home or book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771. Club will start on Friday 13 th April for 7 weeks	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in St Francis Room For years 4, 5 and 6 - Mondays 3.15 - 4.15pm - children walk from their classrooms. For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.	Mondays
KNITTING CLUB Mrs Andrews & Mrs Fox: Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm in 3W classroom. Please fill out a club permission slip if your child would like to rejoin or start this club.	Tuesdays – will start 26 th Sept
NETBALL Mrs McGrath: Tuesdays after school 3.15-4.15pm for Years 5 and 6. Thursdays 3.15 - 4.15pm for Years 3 and 4. Squad players will be invited to early morning training on Tuesdays at 8.00am.	Tuesdays Yr 5-6 & Thursdays Yr 3-4

EARLY MORNING

BADMINTON Premier Sport: Yrs 3, 4 and 5 Taster for Term 5 – FREE session, 25 spaces available	Tues 7.45 – 8.30am
CIRCUIT TRAINING Mr Morgan: Thursdays at 7.50am. Circuit training in the Hall for fitness. All abilities welcome including parents. See Mrs McGrath for more information	Thursdays 7.50am Yr 3-6

NETBALL FOR WOMEN: Tuesdays at 9.10am. All abilities welcome. £1 charge.	Tuesdays 9.10am
RUNNING CLUB Mrs McGrath: Wednesdays at 7.45am. This club is free and open to all parents, carers and children. Please turn up at school in running clothes with school uniform in a bag.	Wednesdays 7.45am
YOGA Ms Sus: Mondays at 7.50-8.30am in the Hall. All abilities welcome including parents. Please collect a letter from the school office if you are interested.	Mondays 7.50am Yrs 3-6

LUNCH TIME

BIBLE DISCOVERY Miss Haime / Mrs Woolley: For years 4-6 - Monday lunchtimes 12.30-1.15 in 2WR classroom. We do lots of creative activities based around prayer, scripture and reflection.	Mondays Yr 4-6
CHOIR Miss Tudhope: For years 1-2 - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 2T classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 1-2
CHOIR Miss Gray: For years 3-6 - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3CG classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 3-6
STORY TIME CLUB Mrs Widdowson: Wednesdays 12.45pm RECEPTION children only Mrs Widdowson leads story-telling and singing for our Reception classes. If your child would like to take part, please speak to their class teacher.	Wednesdays Reception only
CHAPLAINCY Mrs Ballantine: For years 5-6 – Thursday lunchtimes weekly 12.15 - 12.45pm.	Thursdays Yr 5-6
<p>DEBATING CLUB Mrs Addleman: For years 5 and 6 - Thursdays 12.15 – 12.50pm. Children do not need to sign a form – just come along. It takes place in 4SA's classroom.</p> <p>Children should bring a packed lunch to eat during the club. If they have school dinners, they can still attend, but will need to leave slightly earlier. We debate issues relating to both school life and the wider world in an age appropriate and relevant way.</p>	Thursdays Yr 5-6

PRIVATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please note that the school accepts no responsibility for any private arrangements that parents make with external after school activities. If you have made arrangements for any other agency to collect your child from school you should inform your child's class teacher so that they know who your child is going home with.

COMMUNITY SECTION

- **I am a parent at St Bon's.** We need some interior doors to be put up, small paint jobs, reseal around the bath and putting up some shelves etc. Busy family life means I just doesn't have the time and need to get the jobs finished asap.

Rate of pay to be discussed. I would prefer someone who has a passion for DIY or maybe is in the trade. It will take a few hours here and there so won't take up too much of your time and can mean a huge difference to our lives getting these things finally done! Thanks. Contact: 07378 209290.

- **Come and be in our play!**

In the summer term, all Helen O'Grady Academy classes work on a specially written play to perform for parents and friends. Each class will perform their play on stage at the prestigious Redgrave Theatre in Clifton on the weekend of the 7th July. If your child is aged between 5 and 11 then contact us to book a free taster session!

Classes are held every Monday

4:00 – 5:00 (4-8)

5:00 – 6:00 (9-11)

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, 160 Gloucester Road, Bishopston

Text 07504 584 815 to book a free trial!

- **Summer camps**

The annual Clifton Diocese Summer Camps have launched for 2018 and bookings are now being taken.

This year, the camps have moved to a new location in Viney Hill in the Forest of Dean and are being held between 13-17 August (ages 7-11) and 20-24 August (ages 12-16). The camps promise to be weeks full of fun, faith and friendship. If you are interested in finding out more, or to book a place for your child, please visit <http://livingyourfaith.co.uk> or email livingyourfaith@hotmail.co.uk

- Redland Green School is holding a series of **Car Boot sales** this summer. Dates are Sat 21st April, Sat 19th May, Sat 16th June at Sat 21st July. To book, contact rgsptacarboot-sale@gmail.com or call 07720 387982. Pitches cost £10. Refreshments and toilet facilities will be available. Admission for buyers is £1 per adult – kids go free. There will also be a second hand RGS uniform sale.
- **Gasworks Choir** will be performing great songs in glowing harmony on Sunday 13th May at the United Reformed Church on Whiteladies Road at 2.30pm and 7.30pm. Tickets cost £7 and £8 respectively.
- There will be a Mass Meditation event held as part of Mental Health Week on Saturday 12th May at St Peter's Church, Castle Park. Tickets are free – visit <http://bit.ly/2G6Fz1v>