



## ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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guided by the light of Christ

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Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear parents and carers,

With the weather turning colder please can I ask that all children come to school with a warm named coat. We take the children outside in all weathers.

### **MAT consultation session**

At the end of last term, I wrote to you all to inform you of the consultation which has been launched about the formation of a Catholic Multi Academy Trust. If you have not completed the consultation, I would encourage you to do so by following this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/OTybS5m9iR>

We have also arranged a consultation session on Thursday 18th November at 3.30-4.30pm. This is planned to take place face to face in the school hall but we will review this in line with COVID rates nearer to the time.

A representative from the Diocese, alongside our chair of governors and myself will facilitate the session. Please email [st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk) to confirm your attendance at this event. It would also be helpful if you could share any questions you have prior to attending.

### **Curriculum information session**

We have two online curriculum information sessions planned on Tuesday 18th November. The first session will run 4.30-5.30pm and the second session will run 7.00-8.00pm. Both sessions are the same.

The sessions will cover an update on our approach to supporting pupils' grit and resilience, an update on the Geography curriculum and updates from our English and Maths leads. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions.

Best wishes,

Sarah Ballantine  
Headteacher

### **Events week commencing: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 (MENU week 2)**

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sat 13<sup>th</sup> November: My Fair Lady performance in the school hall

### **Menu change on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

The kitchen will be cooking up a Mexican fiesta menu on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. The options will be

Chilli Beef, Halal Chilli  
or Vegan Chilli Nachos  
Topped with Cheese

## PTFA News

[www.stbonsptfa.com](http://www.stbonsptfa.com)

Facebook – St Bons Parents and Carers

Instagram - @stbonsptfa

Email – [ptfa.stbons@gmail.com](mailto:ptfa.stbons@gmail.com)



### Christmas Fair



The Christmas Fair will be on Sunday 5th December from 2-5pm.

Join us for games, the chance to win fantastic prizes, mulled wine and mince pies and the chance to meet a very special guest!



The fair is not possible without the support of the whole school community. More details about how you can help are in the separate document sent with this email. Please, please take a few minutes to read through it.

### Key dates

Hamper donations: 8th – 22nd November

Goody bags collected: 8th – 22nd November

Hamper tickets and money returned: 2nd December

Fair payment tokens on sale week commencing 29th November

### Christmas fair prizes and sponsorship

Do you work for or own a business that could provide a raffle prize e.g. a voucher, a meal, tickets, a day out, a signature from a famous person?

We're seeking sponsorship to see if we can make something really special happen for the fair. Do you think your company could provide some financial sponsorship?

If the answer to either of these is yes please, please get in touch with the PTFA either via email or through the website (details above)

### Usborne Bookshop



Thinking about your Christmas shopping? Usborne have fantastic books that would make great presents and stocking fillers – reading books, puzzle books, sticker books and more for all ages.

Visit <http://Usborne.com/gb/organiser/stbonsptfa>

Order between 5th November -11th November with code W001408549 at checkout for free collection from school.

If the order we place on 11th November is greater in value than £120 not only does the PTFA earn a commission but we get 20% of the total order value in free books for the school! So that's Christmas shopping and supporting the school with just a couple of clicks!



### Personalised tote bags

Was your child reception or key stage one in 2017-2018? If so we found a limited number of gorgeous tote bags in the PTFA cupboard. If you missed one at the time, or have relative who would like one, please pick one from the school office. A small donation (suggested £2) would be very much appreciated.

### Recent events

Thank you all for your support of the Bag2School collection and the KS1 disco. Between these events we have raised over £500. More details can be found at [www.stbonsptfa.com](http://www.stbonsptfa.com)

## **My Fair Lady – production at St Bon's!**

Please note that there will be a **CASH ONLY** refreshments stall at all performances.

My Fair Lady: It's here, the long-awaited parish production of the classic Lerner and Loewe musical, My Fair Lady! Wouldn't it be lovely to see it?

Three performances will be taking place in St Bon's School Hall on Friday 12th November 7.30pm, and Saturday 13th November at 2.30pm and 7.30pm. WE HAVE VERY FEW TICKETS LEFT. Tickets available from Neta at St



Bon's Church or by e-mailing [stbonsdrama@outlook.com](mailto:stbonsdrama@outlook.com)

Adults £5, Children £3. Proceeds to St Bon's Church and St Bon's School.

If you bought tickets for last year's cancelled performances please email [stbonsdrama@outlook.com](mailto:stbonsdrama@outlook.com) with details of the total number of tickets bought, ticket number (s) and whether adult or child. New tickets will be issued at the same price.



### North Bristol Foodbank

North Bristol Food Bank can be reached on 0117 979 1399.

For areas covered see here: <https://northbristol.foodbank.org.uk/locations/>

Up to date information for these outlets is available here - <https://northbristol.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/>

### Have you had a change of circumstances due to COVID-19?

There are lots of schemes that you could be eligible for to support your child and your wider family:

- **Pupil premium and/or Free School Meals** - Financial support that is provided to schools to help support your child and Free School Meals [http://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk/web/pupil\\_premium\\_and\\_sports\\_premium/270945](http://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk/web/pupil_premium_and_sports_premium/270945)
- **Council Emergency Payment** - To help you pay off one-off bills like heating, electricity <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/benefits-financial-help/emergency-payments-local-crisis-and-prevention-fund>
- **North Bristol Advice Centre:** The advice centre can help signpost you to initiatives that you could be eligible for to get support: <http://www.northbristoladvice.org.uk/>
  - **The Money Advice Service** - For help to manage your money during the pandemic <https://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/articles/coronavirus-and-your-money>

If you are struggling to access these services and would like help, please contact the school office.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Kinesiologist

My name is Sinead Pelley and I have recently retrained as a nutritional advisor and kinesiologist. Kinesiology uses muscle testing to identify, understand and rectify any imbalance in the body and is suitable for all ages.

Kinesiology is incredibly effective for children and parents are amazed at how quickly results are achieved. With regards to children, the main conditions I deal with are anxiety, depression, fears/phobias, digestive issues, emotional issues, dyslexia, poor concentration, behavioural issues, skin problems, allergies, sleep issues etc.

Kinesiology looks at the physical aspects causing the problem but very much focuses on the emotional aspects also.

Please do have a look at my website should you wish to understand a bit more....

<https://www.healthandwellbeingbristol.co.uk/>

*Due to the huge response and volume of enquiries to this post a few weeks ago, I would like to offer St Bonaventure families a free 10-minute phone consultation to ask any questions you may have and to understand how I can help you and your loved ones improve your health and well-being. I would also like to offer 10% off all initial treatments.*