



Friday 28th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately our worst fears about access to school up Egerton Road came true this week. An ambulance had to be called for a poorly child – it took 20 minutes for it to reach school even though it was metres away from us on Egerton Road. This was due to the way that cars were parked and from school traffic not moving out of the way, despite the siren being on to alert drivers of an emergency situation.

If it had not been for one of the ambulance crew leaving the ambulance to run up to the school, along with a kind neighbour on Egerton Road who helped to carry the emergency equipment, there would have been a significant delay in the child receiving the assistance that was needed.

Please consider how you would feel if your child's life was at risk due to the slow reactions and thoughtlessness of others. We have repeatedly asked parents not to use Egerton Road for picking up or collecting children from school – it is extremely tight and often has very limited parking spaces anyway. The emergency services do have the right to smash windows in order to move vehicles if it is deemed necessary.

We have contacted Bishop Road school as well as we are aware that parents from that school also park locally. Please do look at our website which has some good advice about safer places to park.

http://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk/web/active_travel_to_school_and_parking/262555

Best wishes,

Lucille Charles
Headteacher

Events week commencing: Monday 1st October 2018 (**MENU week 2**)

HISTORY WEEK

Mon 1st:	Reception pupils start full time
Tues 2nd:	6D class assembly 2.45pm – parents welcome Open Day for Reception 2019 applicants – 9.30, 10.30 and 1.30pm
Weds 3rd:	Year 5 and 6 football trials after school
Thurs 4th:	Reception parents information session 2.30 – 3.10pm in the class room
Fri 5th:	As part of History Week - Y6 class museums open 9am – 9.30am All other classes 2.30pm – 3pm

Events week commencing: Monday 8th October 2018 (**MENU week 3**)

Mon 8th: **Y4 trip to Red Lodge Museum**

Tues 9th: 6GW class assembly 2.45pm – parents welcome
KS2 cross country 3.30pm

Weds 10th: Percy Smith Swimming Gala

Thurs 11th: **Y6 parents secondary school admissions information session 3.30pm in 6D**

Fri 12th: Y5 cake sale after school

Deadline for Christmas card art to be returned to school office

New school meal prices from Term 2

We have been informed by Bristol City Council that, from after half term, school meals for children in years 3 – 6 will now cost £2.10. This is an increase of 5p on the current price. If your child is eligible for free school meals, this charge will not apply.

Harvest Festival

During the month of October we will be thinking about Harvest at St Bon's. Our whole school value this term is Love. We have been thinking about God's greatest commandments and this has helped us to think about how we can love our neighbours. We have decided to collect dried and tinned goods which we will be donating to a local charity which supports homeless people in Bristol.

We will be collecting the following items during October:



- Instant coffee
- Sugar
- Jam, peanut butter, Marmite
- Lentils
- Tinned tomatoes
- Rice
- Black pepper and curry powder
- Porridge oats
- Cooking oil
- Ketchup and brown sauce

Children can either place items in the hamper outside the office during the school day or you can bring them to the office yourself.

At the end of the month, on Friday 26th October, we are inviting the children to come to school in their brightest home clothes and bring £1.00. This money will be donated to CAFOD's Harvest campaign.

Finally, we would love it if you could join us to celebrate our Harvest Mass in Church at 9.15am on Wednesday 24th October. With thanks, Mrs Ballantine

History Week

It is History Week next week and each class will be putting together a class museum display to reflect the period they have been studying. On Friday 5th October, all parents/carers are invited to drop into their child's class to see their museum display and look at their topic books. Year 5 will be doing Geography next week to reflect their current residential and will study their History topic in another week but are still putting together a display.

Museum opening hours:

Year 6 parents: 9.00 am - 9.30 am
All other classes: 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm

Flu vaccinations: Reception – Y5

Letters from the NHS enabling you to request flu vaccinations for your child(ren) to be administered in school (Thursday 8th November) should have found their way home. If you haven't received one, and would like to book your child(ren) in, please ask at the office for a form.

The deadline for receiving forms is next Wednesday 3rd October.

Drama club

Monday 1st October is for all those who would like to audition for a main part in the next play which will be *Oliver*. Please come prepared to sing or perform a prepared piece.

If you would like to be in the show but are happy to be in the chorus you do not need to attend the auditions on Monday.

Drama ends at 4.15pm.

Lottery winners – June and July 2018

Please come and collect your cheques from the school office.

£25.00	Gill Partridge
£10.00	Vanesa Rodriguez-Perez
£10.00	Alex Casley

Women Back to Netball



This club for mums will be on Tuesday 2nd October at 9am on St Bon's playground. This club will be changing to a **MONDAY** from the following week - more players are needed and all are very welcome. If you've not played since school or never played please don't worry, do come along for a bit of exercise and lots of laughs. It's just £1 and run by Sue Anderson, who works for England Netball, so you will be in very safe hands. Come and try it out!

Summer Reading Challenge success!



One of our year 3 pupils, Reuben, recently met the Lord Mayor Cleo Lake at College Green. Reuben was chosen as a prize winner in the Bristol Libraries Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge. He represented Bishopston Library at the Prize giving.

Well done Reuben! We need to keep our libraries and are very lucky to have such a brilliant one nearby.

Secondary school admissions – information talk for Year 6

There will be a talk by a member of the Bristol City Council Admissions team on Thursday 11th October at 3.30pm in classroom 6D. This talk will include:

- The importance of using 3 preferences
- How to apply
- How the Allocation Process works
- The different types of schools available
- Getting your form in on time
- What has happened in previous years?
- Useful tools and resources

No need to book – just come along!

Passionate about food?

We know that parenting is not easy and we would love to ask for the support of some parent champions to help us come up with some ideas about how we can support parents to make healthy, quick and affordable meals for their kids.

We envisage the champions could come up with some ideas about what we could do in school – for example, to hold cookery workshops to make simple meals or to help create an email-able ‘family cookbook’ to help give parents inspiration.

You don’t need to have a cooking or nutrition qualification ... just a desire to share information which has worked for you with others in our community.

Year 1 and 2 multi sports club

This is a new club for children in years 1 and 2 on a Wednesday after school from 3.15pm – 4.30pm and is FREE OF CHARGE. Currently we do not have enough interest to run the club so please do complete a club permission slip if you would like your child to take part.

THIS CLUB WILL START IN TERM 2.

Premier Sport will be running this club. All those who are interested please fill out a club slip, so Mrs McGrath can organise a register.

PTFA notices

Christmas card orders

You should have received your child's design from the teachers via your children today. If you haven't please ask your teachers for them.

Instructions for ordering:

1. Please complete the form and return in the plastic folder provided, with the cash or cheque, to the school office.
2. Please do not use any old £10 or £5 notes or £1 coins.
3. Cheques to be made payable to 'St Bonaventure's School PTFA'.
4. Please put any loose change/coins in a separate named envelope within the plastic folder.
5. Please do not fold the designs as this may cause problems with printing. Therefore please hand them direct to the school office in the folder provided and do not put them in the drop box.
6. All forms must be returned by Monday 15 October. Any received after this date will not be printed as they must all be sent in one parcel to avoid confusion for the printers.

Happy ordering and thank you for helping to raise much-needed funds for our school.

Dates for your diaries

Friday 5th October

Rock and Roll bingo, 745pm

Please support this event by booking a table for your class either by email ptfa.stbons@gmail.com or by coming to see us in the playground after school today. Tickets cost £15 for a table of 6.

Monday 8th October

PTFA meeting, 9am

Please come along to our next meeting after drop off in the DT room.

Friday 19th October

Autumn kids disco

More details to follow.

Monday 26th November

Bag2School

More details to follow.

Sunday 2nd December

Christmas Fair

More details to follow.

Thank you for your continued support. Please contact us on ptfa.stbons@gmail.com if you have any comments or suggestions.

Melanie and Hilary, PTFA Joint Chairs

SPORTS NEWS THIS WEEK

Team football

Mr Morgan apologises that letters are only coming home today about a tournament on Monday at St Bede's after school. The date was given to him rather late in the day!

Next Wednesday is trials for year 5 and year 6 – anyone who wants to try out for the team should come along.

Running for Mrs Rigg

Mrs McGrath ran her first half marathon last Sunday in memory of her mum Mrs Joy Rigg. She is hoping to start raising some money for St Bon's church as that was her request. Mrs McGrath has set up a just giving page for anyone who would like to donate. Thank you so much.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/stbons?utm_term=Zp28PMNRb

Swimming

Well done to all the swimmers who took part in the time trials last Sunday. We have some amazing swimmers. Each person who swam will get a personal letter with your times on it, so you can see how much you have improved. These are ready today to hand out, please see Mrs McGrath if you don't get yours.

Cross country

- Good luck to the Y5/4/3 teams taking part in the cross-country competition at QEH on Friday 5th October. Letters have been sent home this week.
- Next cross-country event is Tuesday 9th Oct 4pm – 5.30pm (tbc) – the team will be selected next week.

PE kit

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.

Sport clubs

Some sports clubs will be run by St Bon's staff and will be free and others are run by outside professionals, there will be a small charge for these clubs. If any parents would be interested in helping with any of the sports clubs or running a club please do let Mrs McGrath know.

Yoga

This club has now resumed and will take place in the school hall 7.50 – 8.30am. If you would like to attend please email Mrs McGrath for a letter on kate.mcgrath@bristol-schools.uk It is for KS2 only.

Netball

Good luck to the team taking part in netball league at St Bede's on Tuesday 2nd Oct.

Running/walking club

Has now resumed on Wednesday mornings at 7.50am. This club is free and open to all parents, careers, and children. Please turn up at school in running clothes (school uniform in a bag)

We would love to see more people - all are welcome any ability is catered for.

Tag Rugby

There are still a few spaces available in our new rugby club for Y1-6, on Thursdays after school, 3.15-4.30 Please ask in the office for a letter about joining this. 5th Oct - 20th Dec £44

Dance

There will be a dance class on Wednesdays for KS2 and Fridays for KS1 after school in the hall from 3.15 – 4.30pm. KS1 class is now full but we do have spaces in KS2 class on Wednesdays. This club is being run by RISE Dance Company and there will be a small charge. Letters about this have been sent home although there are spare ones in the office.

Multisport club for children in years 1 and 2

This is a new club for KS1 children on a Wednesday afterschool from 3.15pm – 4.30pm. IT WILL START IN TERM 2. Premier Sport will be running this club. All those who are interested please fill out a club slip, so Mrs McGrath can organise a register.

Gymnastics

There are a few spaces available in the gymnastics club. If you are interested, please see Mrs McGrath.

Sport clubs for our parents

We are hoping to get all the parents /carers of our school just as fit as the children, teaching the kids by example! There are early morning sports clubs available on most mornings on the school premises;

Monday – Yoga (KS2)

Tuesday – netball (ladies only)

Wednesday – running/walking club – all are welcome

Thursday – circuits – all are welcome

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 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 .	Mondays Reception, Yrs 1-2

YEARS 3-6

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. Book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771.	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
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
TEAM FOOTBALL Mr Morgan: Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm Y4 only this week for trials	Wednesdays Yr 4 – Yr 6

EARLY MORNING

BADMINTON Premier Sport: Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 Taster for Term 1 – 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 9 - 10.00am. 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
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

- **Running for Mrs Rigg**

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- **WANTED**

I'm after a ¾ size violin to buy for my daughter – please contact 07789 743291 if you have one to sell!

- **Do you, or does someone you know, need support following a relationship breakdown?**

Over the past 12 years Aquila Bristol has helped many people learn to cope and rebuild their lives following separation or divorce.

Our next 7-week self-help course starts on Monday 1st October in Henleaze.

The course is facilitated by a group of trained men and women who have all experienced broken relationships or divorce.

If you would like to know more please call Gill on 07807 058479, email bristol@hope-after-heartbreak.co.uk or visit www.hope-after-heartbreak.co.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/hopeafterheartbreak

- **BRAIN TUMOUR RESEARCH**

I'm running for Brain Tumour Research in memory of my amazing Dad who sadly passed away in May after being diagnosed with a Glioblastoma brain tumour in April this year.

I have Francesca in 5P. Here's my Just Giving page link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Claire-Skelcey>

- A massive thank you for all the donations and support for my half marathon. I ran it and managed to enjoy it! Here's to the next challenge...

From Helen McDiarmid and Parkinson's UK

- **LIFESKILLS – Bath half marathon places available**

Lifeskills has places for the Bath Half Marathon 2019.

The entry fee is £35 and the fundraising target is £300. The event takes place on Sunday 17th March 2019. Anyone who is interested can contact Lifeskills at johanna@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk or by calling 0117 922 4511.

Lifeskills is a charity so every penny raised helps them to continue running the Year 6 programme that our pupils enjoy each year.

- Hello my name is Mark. I am a highly qualified Primary teacher (B.ED and MA in Education). I offer interesting and effective tuition using a variety of materials: worksheets, pictures, games, quizzes and the internet with 5 -11 year old children in Maths and/or English. Horfield area.
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