



# St Bonaventure's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I have had a fantastic time away with pupils and staff at Kilve Court this week. My thanks to everyone involved for all their hard work in making sure that the children had an enriching experience.

The rest of the school were treated to a nativity production performed by Bristol Old Vic theatre school this afternoon. My thanks to the PTFA for funding this. Please take note of the timings below of our own nativity performances the week after next for years reception to year 2.

Finally, I would like to welcome a new member of our lunchtime staff team, Mrs Caterina Guirrerri.

Best wishes,

*Lucille Charles*  
Headteacher

**Events week commencing: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016 (MENU no: 2)**

<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Book fair all this week Recording school Christmas CD Drama - Kaa, Mowgli, Bagheera and elephants only – finishes at 4.30pm
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>:</b>	5P class assembly – parents welcome from 2.45pm
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Year 6 leave for Kintbury retreat
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec:</b>	Years Reception - Year 5: book look in classrooms from 2.45pm – 3.05pm

**Events week commencing: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016 (MENU no: 3)**

<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Year 3 trip to City Museum
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>:</b>	RH, 1MS, 2W Nativity Performance – 2pm in the School Hall
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>:</b>	RM, 1H, 2T Nativity Performance – 2pm in the School Hall
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Year 3 cake sale after school
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>:</b>	School Christmas Fair 2-4.30pm

## Book Fair

We will be holding a book fair in school all this week. The books will be on display for you and your children to browse after school in the corridor outside Mrs Charles' office. Payment is by cash or cheque only.

## Book look Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Parents in years Reception to year 5 are invited to come into their child(ren)'s classroom(s) on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December for a book look. For Reception children, parents will be able to look at their child's Learning Diary.

The book look will take place between 2.45pm and 3.05pm. We look forward to seeing you then.

### **Dress up day for Children in Need**

Many thanks to all the children who donated £1 to dress up in spots this year. We raised £275! Well done to everyone involved.

### **Drama - IMPORTANT**

Kaa, Mowgli, Bagheera and all elephants only - finish 4.30pm (please note earlier finish time)

### **Artificial Christmas Tree shout out!**

If anyone has a small to medium sized artificial Christmas tree that they do not need this year, Mrs Ballantine would love to make use of it! From 1<sup>st</sup> December we would like to display an Advent and Christmas prayer tree on which children can attach their prayers. Please contact the office if you can help.



### **Music lessons in school**

Firstly, could I remind parents of all children who have private music lessons in school that payment for Terms 3 and 4 is now due. For guitar, brass and violin this will be £75 and for piano £130. You can pay via School Gateway (our preferred method) or by cash or cheque. Cheques payable to Bristol City Council with your child's name and instrument on the reverse.

Secondly, our brass teacher Mr Ellis has one or two spaces for beginners who would like to learn either the baritone or trombone. Please contact the school office if you are interested. Thank you, Mrs Benians

### **Albania shoe box appeal – update**

A huge thank you to all the families at St Bon's for giving 150 fantastic shoe boxes of gifts for Albania! The boxes have all been loaded onto vans and this weekend will be starting their long journey across Europe. If you want to follow your box and find out more about its journey and what happens to it, then please go on Facebook and 'like' the Webox project page <https://m.facebook.com/webboxproject/?ref=bookmarks> There will hopefully be updates from the teams driving the boxes next week, as well as from the team distributing later in December. You may even see your box in the photos!

Many thanks, Maki & Ruth Miço

### **First Holy Communion Programme at St Bonaventure's Church**

If your child is in Year 3 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion at St Bonaventure's Church next year, please come to a meeting after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 27th November in the Church Hall to register your child with the Parish.

Please bring the following information: child's name; class/school; date of birth; date and place of baptism; your e-mail address and preferred FHC day (Saturday or Sunday). Parents of children who are not yet baptised please contact Fr Tom.

Classes take place on Saturday mornings in the first half of the year. Due to numbers (60 children on average every year) we really need the help of parents and carers to help run the classes. We provide lots of support and resources - those who get involved, even if they have never done anything like it before, do seem to enjoy it!

Please let us know whether you are willing to help with your child's group on a Saturday.



### **Children in Need – more fundraising!**

Milly in 6GW did her bit for Children In Need by selling cupcakes on Gloucester Road and raising (so far) an amazing £67.03! She emailed the BBC to tell them about her fundraising and last Friday was invited to the BBC Points West Children In Need Live link at Cribbs Causeway. During the broadcast she was interviewed by local presenter, Alex Lovell live! Talking about her cakes she even sold a cake to Alex and fellow presenter Sabet Choudhury (pictured).

### **Christmas CD**

We are recording our Christmas CD on Monday 28th November. Thank you to all those who have ordered a CD - they will be available to collect in 2 weeks' time(hopefully). Please keep an eye on the newsletter for more information about this. We will be announcing the winner of the cover design competition on Monday!

### **SPORTS**

#### **Football**

Year 6 at Kintbury. Mr Morgan to confirm with Year 5 boys what is happening!

#### **New early morning KS2 Yoga class.**

There is a new early morning Yoga class on Mondays from 7.50am to 8.30am. There is a small charge for this club. Please see Mrs McGrath for more information.

#### **Sportshall**

Well done to the Y6 teams who took part in the sportshall event last Wednesday. We came 3rd overall.

## COMMUNITY SECTION

- The **City of Bristol Brass Band** Annual Family Christmas Concert is on Sunday 4th December at 3.00 pm in the Parish Club - all are welcome. Kickstart your festivities and hear City of Bristol Learner Band with many current and ex St Bon's pupils.
- **Redland Green Choir** Christmas Concert Programme including A Ceremony of Carols (Benjamin Britten) Christmas Day (Holst), O Magnum Mysterium (Laurisdén) plus more. Saturday 10th December, 7.30pm at St Albans Church, Westbury Park, BS6 7NU. £8 (£6 con) under 16 free.
- One of our St Bon's families is looking for 2 bedroom accommodation as a matter of urgency. Please contact Sayo on 07714 464560 if you know of any accommodation which may be available.
- This weekend (26th/27th November) parent of Milly in 6GW Paul Davis will be exhibiting on the North Bristol Art Trail and Milly will be selling cakes, loom band bracelets and some of her very own artwork to raise more money for Children In Need and aims to pass her target of raising £100!

For more information and a trail map go to [www.northbristolartists.org.uk](http://www.northbristolartists.org.uk) Milly will be at Venue 28 on Hazelton Road. Do come along (the cakes taste fantastic and the art work is really great too)

- Free kids Christmas party @ Kings Tennis Club!! Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 11.30am - 2pm  
All welcome!! Tennis games, prize hitting, music, fun, cupcake sale. Free food for kids, hot food on sale for adults...  
<https://goo.gl/forms/vhyx2tp5pwdj3mnb3> Contact Elly with questions [ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com](mailto:ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com)
- Xmas holiday courses @ Kings Tennis Clubs!  
Dec 20th, 21st, 27th, 28th, 29 - 9am - 1pm

Please book online

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/ellyshearmancoaching/coaching/junior?programme=junior&timefrom=00%3a00%3a00&timeto=11%3a59%3a59&time=0%7c431990000000>

Contact Elly for more details: [ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com](mailto:ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com)

- George Rogers Loredó, former St Bonaventure's School student, will be taking part in the North Bristol Art Trail [www.northbristolartists.org.uk/](http://www.northbristolartists.org.uk/) which will take place 26th-27th Nov.

At 17, George is the youngest member of the North Bristol Art Trail [www.northbristolartists.org.uk/members-2/georgeloredó/](http://www.northbristolartists.org.uk/members-2/georgeloredó/) and for the second time he will show his work and invite everyone to come and see it (Venue number 7 @ 77, Kellaway Avenue).



- **Babysitter available:** Hi, my name is Isobel Kealey. I am nearly 16 years old and live locally. I am in Year 11 at St Bede's and have sisters in years 6 and 4 at St Bon's. If you would like to get in touch call 07935 265362.


# ST BONAVENTURE'S SCHOOL SPORTS & CLUBS







Please check the school website or your email for news of club cancellations. Alternatively, please ring the school on the day.

## After school / before school clubs

	<b>AFTER SCHOOL GYMNASTICS CLUB</b> <b>Bristol School of Gymnastics:</b> Yr 2: Tuesdays 3.15-4.15 at school. Yrs 5-6: Thursdays 3.15 – 4.15 at school. Please contact Victoria Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Tuesdays Yr 2 Thursdays Yr 5-6
	<b>DANCE CLUB</b> <b>Rise:</b> Fridays at 3.15-4.30pm. Years 3-6. If you would like to join please see Mrs McGrath or fill out a club permission slip.	Fridays Yrs 3-6
	<b>FOOTBALL</b> <b>Premier Sport:</b> Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm; Tuesdays Year 3-6 3.30-4.30pm. To book please visit <a href="http://www.premiersport.org">www.premiersport.org</a> or call Lee on 07917 18 7771. Places are limited.	Mondays Yrs 1-2  Tuesdays Yrs 3-6
	<b>HOCKEY</b> <b>Laura Coombs:</b> New hockey club for years 3-6: Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm. Please see Mrs McGrath if you would like to join.	Fridays Yrs 3-6
	<b>ITALIAN CLUB</b> <b>Maria Maniglia:</b> Held in the Music/Languages Room <b>For years 3, 4, 5 and 6</b> - Mondays 3.15 - 4.15pm - children walk from their classrooms. <b>For years 1 and 2</b> - Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm – children are collected from their classrooms by Maria. Please collect your children from the school office at 4.15pm. For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.	Mondays Yrs 3-6  Tuesdays Reception, Yrs 1 and 2
	<b>TEAM FOOTBALL</b> <b>Mr Morgan:</b> Team football training for those who have been selected: Wednesdays 3.30 – 4.30pm	Wednesdays Yrs 5 & 6
	<b>KNITTING CLUB</b> <b>Mrs Andrews &amp; Mrs Fox:</b> Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm in 3W classroom. This club is <b>NOW FULL</b> . Please fill out a club permission slip to be added to the waiting list.	Tuesdays Yrs 3-6
	<b>MATHS CLUB:</b> Thursdays after school  Maths club will be running on Thursday afternoons after school with Mr Harrison and Mrs Parry. Any existing members of the club are welcome to join us on that afternoon. Invitations for new members to join will be sent out after half term.	Thursdays Yrs 4-6 by invitation
	<b>MULTI SPORTS CLUB</b> <b>Premier Sport:</b> Wednesdays after school 3.15-4.15pm for Year 2.	Wednesdays Yr 2
	<b>NETBALL</b> <b>Mrs McGrath:</b> Tuesdays after school 3.15-4.15pm for Years 3-4. Thursdays 3.15 - 4.15pm for Years 5-6. Squad players will be invited to early morning training on Tuesdays at 8.00am.	Tuesdays Yrs 3-4 & Thursdays Yrs 5-6
	<b>ARCHERY CLUB</b> <b>Premier Sport:</b> Years 3-6 Thursdays 3.30 to 4.30pm. To book please visit <a href="http://www.premiersport.org">www.premiersport.org</a> or call Lee on 07917 18 7771. Places are limited.	Thursdays Yrs 3-6
	<b>TAG RUGBY:</b> New tag rugby club for years 3-6: Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30pm. All those who have filled out a club permission slip have a place. Please see Mrs McGrath if you are interested and have not returned a slip.	Thursdays Yrs 3-6
	<b>RUNNING CLUB</b> <b>Mrs McGrath:</b> Wednesdays at 7.50am. All abilities welcome including parents.	Wednesdays 7.50am

## Lunch time clubs

	<b>BIBLE DISCOVERY</b> <b>Miss Haime / Mrs Woolley:</b> 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.
	<b>CHAPLAINCY</b> <b>Mrs Ballantine:</b> For years 5-6 – Thursday lunchtimes fortnightly 12.15 - 12.45pm.

	<b>CHOIR Mrs Williams:</b> For years 3-6 boys and girls - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3W classroom. New members welcome!
	<b>CHOIR Miss Tudhope:</b> For years 1 and 2 boys and girls- Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 2T classroom.  Children are welcome to come along to 2T for a taster session on Tuesday 20th September to see if they like it!
	<b>BOYS' CHOIR Mr Khanna:</b> For boys only in years 3-6 - Monday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 5K classroom.
	<b>DEBATING CLUB Mrs Addleman:</b> For years 5 and 6 - Thursdays 1.15 – 1.50pm. Children do not need to sign a form – just come along. It takes place in 4SA classroom and children should bring a packed lunch to eat it during the club. We debate issues relating to both school life and the wider world in an age appropriate and relevant way. The club will start on Thursday 15th September – please come along to find out more!
	<b>DIGITAL LEADERS' CLUB:</b> For year 6 pupils – Thursdays 12.15-1.00 in 1H classroom.
	<b>ORCHESTRA:</b> Fridays 12.30pm.  New members are very welcome, please contact Mr Khanna <a href="mailto:max.khanna@bristol-schools.uk">max.khanna@bristol-schools.uk</a> for more info if your child is interested.

#### 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.