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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another extremely busy but fulfilling week. The Year 6s gave a fantastic cabaret performance on Tuesday evening and we had a very successful swimming gala for years 3 to 6 on Wednesday. I would like to say a special thank you to all those members of staff who have been involved in making all these activities so enjoyable for the children.

We are sad to be saying goodbye to several members of staff. Mr Khanna and Miss Cousins are both moving onto new roles. Mrs Savage, Mrs Stevens and Miss Lloyd will also be leaving us to pursue their teaching careers elsewhere. I would like to thank all of them for the valuable contribution they have made to our school community.

I am also pleased to be welcoming Mrs Wall to our staff team. Mrs Wall will be covering for Ms Kurzik who is currently on maternity leave. She is an extremely experienced teacher, having taught in Bristol schools for many years. Mrs Wall is very much looking forward to joining St Bon's and will be on the playground at the end of the day on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September to meet and greet parents. We will also be welcoming two apprentices: Sophie Drake and Rosanna Seward.

Next term we will be focusing on a healthy school and would ask if you would support us by not giving sweets on birthdays but consider giving a book to share with the class.

I would like to congratulate Luke in year 6 for making it through to the national finals of the 'Road to Wimbledon' tennis competition. Luke will be playing at Wimbledon in August! Very well done.

Finally, could I wish everyone a very peaceful, restful and joyful summer break. I look forward to seeing you all back in school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Best wishes,

Headteacher

**Events week commencing:** Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 (MENU no: 1)

Mon 4th: No school – INSET Day

Tues 5<sup>th</sup>: Term 1 begins

# Year 2 parents – please read!

If your child is currently in year 2 and moving up to year 3, please be aware that – from September – you will need to pay for any school dinners that are ordered. Lunches cost £2.25 per day. You can pay online via School Gateway or by cheque (payable to Bristol City Council) or cash (please mark the envelope with your child's name and the amount you are paying).

If you are in receipt of certain benefits, your child may be eligible for free school meals. If they are, we are also able to receive Pupil Premium funding which is worth £1,300 per pupil to the school each year.

You can apply for free school meals at https://efsm.bristol.gov.uk



## Music lessons 2017-18 - PAYMENT

Payment for music lessons for Terms 1 and 2 is now due. Brass, violin and guitar lessons are £81.62 and piano lessons are £136.62. You can pay online using School Gateway, by cheque (payable to Bristol City Council) or by cash.

# Reading volunteers for next year

We would love to add to our group of reading volunteers next year. Training is provided. If this is something you would be willing to consider, please do let the office know on our return in September.

# Dates for your Diary 2017-18

We are starting to populate the school calendar on our website with dates for Terms 1 and 2 next year.

This includes dates for parents evening. Visit <a href="https://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk">www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk</a>

Please do use the website as your first port of call for finding out when various events are happening. The calendar is very easy to read and is where we record all our school events. You can access it from the homepage.

We also have music lesson dates on the website under Parents/Music.

# The PTFA needs a new chair and needs you

Thanks to everyone who has helped run the fairs over the last year. As I mentioned back in October I will be stepping down as chair of the PTFA this November after three years.

The PTFA therefore will need a new chair or joint chairs from November. Without a chair, the PTFA as a charity cannot be run from a legal point of view, which means no possibility of fundraising from our side.

We have a very strong and wonderful committee who will support the new chair (or chairs as it can be a joint role) and I will also be there to help with all learning of the role etc.

It is a very rewarding role and a great opportunity to meet new people and make a real positive influence and contribution within the school. I myself have really enjoyed it but now have other commitments so I cannot fully dedicated myself to this role anymore.

Please please think about it, and if you want to know any more information about becoming the new chair or running the role as a joint venture contact me at sophie.kidd3007@gmail.com



### **Tennis news!**

Congratulations to Luke in year 6 who won the HSBC 14 and under "Road to Wimbledon" County tennis finals last weekend.

Luke will now be playing in the National finals at Wimbledon in August.

#### After School Club

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are now FULL for next year.

We have spaces on Mondays and Fridays.

Please be aware that, children joining Reception in September who will be attending ASC, will have their sessions put on the system in September. This is because we cannot admit them into our Schoolcomms package until September.

If you would like your child to be put on the waiting list for any of our full days please let me know.

Many thanks. Penny Southgate, Clubs Administrator

## SUMMER FAIR PROFIT... £3667.73!

I would like to say a massive thank you to the PTFA committee who have worked very hard all year to make this event and all the other fundraising events happen.

In addition I would like to thank Richard and Bob, our wonderful caretakers, for their help over the last year with setting up and clearing the events.

This year the PTFA has funded...

The Bridge and St Francis gardens with £25,000
Year 6 leavers hoodies, disco and year books
New music stands
Raised beds for each year group
Reading reward vouchers
Drama production - music and pianist
New St Bon's team shirts for use in all school team sports
Year 5 bloodhound science project - travel and car kits
97 new reading books for Reception
Year 6 SATs week breakfast club
Two in school plays by the Bristol Old Vic
Library scanner renewal

To continue fundraising and supporting the school we need volunteers. Please join us on **Monday 11th September** in the DT room, after drop off at 9am, for the first PTFA meeting of the year and a chance to review the coming year and plan events to fund new school projects. Everyone is welcome, we are all here with a common goal - to help our children's educational development in the best way we can.

# Thank you to year 6 parents

Mrs Woods, Miss Graham and Mr Davis would like to say a big thank you for all the lovely gifts they have received – they really appreciate your generosity.

# Goodbye and good luck to our wonderful Year 6s

We would like to say thank you to all our Year 6 children for being such superstars! They have worked incredibly hard this year and done themselves proud. We are sure they will all thrive at their new schools and wish them all the best for the future.

### Goodbye to:

Milly	Jonathan	Shayla	Doyin
Ella	Bart	Alanna	Joseph
Lyla	Amelia	Katie	Rory
Aoife	Paul	Annie	Tallulah
Dominic	Armando	Joe	Antonio
Emilia	Issie	Nina	Seb
Yannick	Finn	Georgie	Jack
Maddie	Aimee	Antonio	Eve
Connor	Abi	Amber	Ellie-May
Micheal	Thomas	Rosie	Fflur
Agnes	Sofia	Nivya	Niamh
Marisa	Luke	Ray	Karina
Sofia	Beatrice	Carys	Callum
Sarah	Jaime	William	Ava
James	Brian		

# School recipe book raises over £200 for CAFOD

Many thanks to everyone who has bought a St Bon's Bakes recipe book. Hopefully you have enjoyed making some of the lovely recipes submitted by families and staff of St Bon's. We have just made a donation of £222 to CAFOD from profits of books sold to date, which is fantastic! There are still a few books remaining so if you would like one, please email melanie m bunce@hotmail.com and we will reserve one for you.





# KidZone Playscheme - Summer holidays

KidZone Playscheme will be running for four weeks during the summer holidays.

KidZone has access to St Bon's resources including the outdoor multi use games area, school gym and the Scrapstore PlayPod.

KidZone can offer your children an inclusive and safe place to play between the hours of 8:30am and 5:45pm. Fresh fruit and vegetables, pittas, dips and bread sticks are served daily and children are encouraged to take part in a variety of cooking and craft activities on offer throughout the day. On any given day children will be building dens, playing football, painting, reading, climbing about, running around or engrossed in role play.

This summer we will be running a series of workshops each week - please see below for details and additional costs.

#### **Opening dates**

Monday 24th July – Friday 18th August

Open to all children, not just those who attend St Bon's: please fill out a registration form if your child(ren) attends another school.

#### Prices (per child)

Full Day (08:30 till 17:45) - £23 Short Day (10:00 till 16:00) - £16 Half Day AM (08:30-13:00) - £12 Half Day PM (13:00-17:45) - £12



Multi Sport - 27th July - £3 per child
Zoolab - 31st July - £5 per child
Nerf Combat - 10th August - £3 per child
Bouncy Castle - 25th and 26th July - £3 per child per day
Yoga - 16th August - £5 per child

#### **Bookings**

Can be made online, in club or via the school office.

#### **SPORTS**

Sports clubs will start in week 2 of the new year, once we have had it confirmed exactly which clubs are running.



### **COMMUNITY SECTION**

Yoga on Horfield Common in August

Come and join us for morning yoga on Horfield Common this August. Classes run from 7.15am until 8.00am every Friday during August (starting on 4th), £5 drop in. We will meet by a playground. Please take your own mat or book one with me. Kids are welcome and can join for free with attending parent.

Details on www.emflow.co.uk or call Emilia on 07814 468238

- The Flamingo Centre in Westbury-on-Trym is offering a variety of creative workshops for children over the summer holidays. The timetable includes woodworking, hair plaiting, picnic making, floral crowns, pottery, circus skills, yoga, jewellery making, cupcake & cookie decorating, mandala dreamcatchers, portrait drawing, miniature figure painting & Graf-Giti Illustration. Please see the Facebook page for full event information. www.facebook.com/theflamingocentre
- I would like to make your school aware of a fantastic FREE opportunity Dogs Trust are offering to the families of Bristol primary school students and their dogs across the school summer holidays.

#### The sessions include:

- Free 90 minute basic command training session
- For children aged 7-11 (accompanied by a parent/guardian and of course, their dog)
- Fun safety games and doggie assault course
- Free goodie bag for each child upon completion.

The workshops are delivered by our Bristol Dog Training Team and Education Officer, so not only will the children's lovely dogs receive some fantastic training, but children will also learn our educational messages through interactive games and activities.

Places are limited so please book in with us as soon as you can. To book places, contact 07973 140406 or email <a href="mailto:bristoldogschool@dogstrust.org.uk">bristoldogschool@dogstrust.org.uk</a>

Your closest session: Tuesday 8th August @11.15am Westbury on Trym Village Hall

Other sessions: Friday 28th July 9.15am @ Downend Folk House, Bristol

Friday 4th August 3pm @ The Beehive Centre, St George

Friday 25th August @2.45pm @ Pucklechurch Community Centre Tuesday 31st August @3.15pm @ Headley Park Community Centre

# 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 activities

# YEARS 1 and 2

FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm	Mondays	
To book please visit <u>www.premiersport.org</u> or call Lee on 07917 18 7771.	Yrs 1-2	
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in the Music/Languages Room. Tuesdays 3.15 -	Tuesdays	
4.15pm – children are collected from their classrooms by Maria.	Yrs 1 and 2	
For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.		

# **YEARS 3-6**

<b>BASKETBALL Mr Morgan:</b> This club is for Year 6 only in terms 5 and 6.	Wednesdays Yr 6
CRICKET CLUB Shine Sports Coaching: Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30pm.	Thursdays
DANCE CLUB Rise Wednesdays KS1 3.30-4.30pm Fridays KS2 3.30-4.30pm  If you would like your child to take part please fill out a club permission slip.	Fridays and Wednesdays TBC
<b>FOOTBALL Premier Sport:</b> Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm  To book please visit <a href="https://www.premiersport.org">www.premiersport.org</a> or call Lee on 07917 18 7771.	Tuesdays
<b>GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics: Yr 3</b> Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm Please contact Victoria Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Tuesdays Yr 3
<b>GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics: Yrs 4</b> Thursdays 3.15 – 4.15pm Please contact Victoria Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Thursdays Yr 4
<b>HOCKEY Laura Coombs:</b> New hockey club for years 5 and 6 ONLY: Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm.	Fridays Yr 5-6
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in the Music/Languages Room For years 3, 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. This club is NOW FULL. Please fill out a club permission slip to be added to the waiting list.	Tuesdays
<b>NETBALL 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 Yr 3-4 & Thursdays Yr 5-6
<b>TEAM FOOTBALL Mr Morgan:</b> Team football training has now finished for this academic year.	FINISHED

# **EARLY MORNING CLUBS**

<b>RUNNING CLUB Mrs McGrath:</b> Wednesdays at 7.50am. All abilities welcome includ parents.	ling Wednesdays 7.50am
CIRCUITS CLUB Ms Wynn: Thursdays at 7.50am. Circuit training in the Hall for fitne	ss. All Thursdays
abilities welcome including parents. See Mrs McGrath for more information	7.50am
	Yr 3-6

## **LUNCH TIME CLUBS**

BIBLE DISCOVERY Miss Haime / Mrs Woolley: For years 4-6 - Monday lunchtimes	Mondays	
12.30-1.15 in 2WR classroom. We do lots of creative activities based around prayer, scripture and reflection.	Yr 4-6	
CHOIR Miss Tudhope: For years 1-6 - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3W classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 1-6	
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	
<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!	Thursdays Yr 5-6	
DIGITAL LEADERS' CLUB: For year 6 pupils – Thursdays 12.15-1.00 in 1H classroom.	Thursdays Yr 6 only	
ORCHESTRA Mr Khanna: Fridays 12.30pm.	Fridays All ages	

#### 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.