



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear parents and carers,

We have welcomed a sunny end to the week in school and hope there is more of it to come! On sunny days, please remember to pack a sun hat for your child and to apply an 8-hour sun cream.

Our year 6 children have completed their SATs tests this week. We are so incredibly proud of them, they have approached the tests with excitement and maturity. I think the breakfast baps they received each morning helped - thank you to the PTFA who funded these.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

As you are aware, we are going to be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May (the last day of term). We are inviting all children to make a crown at home which they will wear to school on this day. We will hold a Crown procession first thing on the playground and welcome parents staying after drop off to see this at around 9am.

In addition to the children wearing their homemade crowns, we are also inviting each year group to come to school on this day wearing a fashion of a decade. Year groups have been allocated the following decade:

Reception: present day

Year 1: Noughties

Year 2: 90s

Year 3: 80s

Year 4: 70s

Year 5: 60s

Year 6: 50s

We are planning to have a whole school finale at the end of the day where we invite all parents to join us at 2.45pm on the playground.

### Hope International

Here are Molly, Desi and their big brother Frank at their cake sale last Saturday, which saw them raise £164.50 for Run for H2O. Their positioning outside the gates of the Bristol Rovers ground, and timing (straight after the match, in which the Rovers' 7-0 win led to their promotion) made for some very happy and generous customers, with some extraordinary donations!!



## Book boxes

I am really keen to install book boxes around the school grounds. This will allow our children to have access to books at playtimes. I need a volunteer to make some for us. If you're able to help us out and want to know more, please chat to me on the gate or drop me an email on [head.st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:head.st.bonaventures.p@bristol-schools.uk)



Best,

*Mrs Ballantine*

Sarah Ballantine  
Headteacher

### Events from week commencing: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (NEW MENU week 2)

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Drama production all week

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May: INSET day – school closed

### Reading books to be returned please

Please can all reading books be returned to school by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May so that we can do a book audit.  
Please continue to use Bug Club online books over the half term holiday.

Thank you, Mrs Rees

### Burger Shack next Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May

The kitchen next Thursday will be serving burgers instead of lasagne as it's Census Day.

### Run for H2O – **UPDATE** AND RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK

Mr Davis will again be raising money for Hope International, an amazing water charity, through their 'Run for H2O' campaign. He aims to raise a massive £10,000. He will be running 34.5 miles on the Pembrokeshire coastal path on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like to donate, please visit

<https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/Run4H2O2022>

You can view a video of Pat Lam, Bristol Bears Director of Rugby, here talking about the project and giving a shout out to St Bon's!

[http://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk/web/bristol\\_bears\\_director\\_pat\\_lam\\_talks\\_to\\_st\\_bons/607003](http://www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk/web/bristol_bears_director_pat_lam_talks_to_st_bons/607003)

The children will be able to take part in a sponsored run in school on Friday 20th May to raise money to buy pipeline to provide water for a community in Ethiopia. Reception and KS1 will be running at 9.15am and KS2 will run at 11.30am.

The sponsorship form is attached to the email with this newsletter and copies have also been sent home.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Mr Davis has been given a Bristol Bears rugby ball which has been signed by all the team members. He will be selling raffle tickets **NEXT WEEK** before and after school. Tickets will cost £2 each or £8 for 5, £15 for 10 and £20 for 15 tickets.



### **Drama Club – production dates and ticket sales**

Production dates, all in the school Hall:

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May @ 3.30pm – Cast A

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May @ 3.30pm – Cast B

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May @ 6.45pm – Cast A

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May @ 6.30pm – Cast B

Tickets are still being sold in the school playground before and after school all next week.

### **Reminder – no trading card games in school**

Trading card games such as Pokemon are NOT allowed in school. Children have been told today that any cards in school need to be taken home and should not be brought back in. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **May playscheme**

Please be aware that we will not be running a May Playscheme this year.

## **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)

### **Let's play!**

- We have been working hard in the background and are excited to finally reveal details of our biggest project to date...The installation of a 'trim trail' set of playground equipment for St Bons!
- This is the outcome of discussions with the school around what the PTFA can do to make a positive and long-lasting impact for the entire school.
  - And we would LOVE your opinions on which design option to go for!
- Vote here: <https://www.stbonsptfa.com/post/playground-equipment-help-us-decide>



### **Lion King Refreshments**

- We're planning to provide refreshments at the Lion King performances, both before the show and at the interval.
- We need a couple of volunteers for each performance to run the stall on the day. If you can help us with this please let us know.

### **Summer Fair 2022**

- This year's summer fair will be on **Sunday 26th June**
- We'll be running a picnic hamper raffle, bottle stall and teddy tombola so start looking out for suitable items!
- If you work for or run a company that could donate a raffle prize or could provide sponsorship please do get in touch
  - If you have any ideas you'd like to see please let us know.

### **Hygiene Bank – Volunteers Needed**

- Residents of Egerton Road have been coordinating food parcels and a hygiene bank for families requiring assistance at St Bon's. This initially started during the pandemic but ongoing support is needed. The current coordinator is asking for someone (or a small team of people) from the school community to assist her.
  - If you are interested in learning more, we can put you in touch with the current coordinator.

### **New Secretary Needed!**

Our current wonderful secretary Lu Griffiths will be standing down at the AGM next year. It would be great if we would get a new recruit in place now who could shadow Lu from now and learn the ropes ready to take over. Please let us know if interested.

### **Second-Hand Uniform**

If you are in need of uniform or have any donations (branded and in good condition) please email [ptfauniformrep@gmail.com](mailto:ptfauniformrep@gmail.com)

## **Community Food Pantry - update**

We've seen a significant surge in the use of the Community Food Pantry over the past fortnight and now some of our supplies are starting to run low. Sanitary items seem particularly in demand, which suggests women are prioritising spending their money on feeding the family rather than buying period products for themselves.

We're also seeing cooking oil disappear speedily; supermarkets are saying their supplies are running low so people may be struggling to find it, let alone afford it.

We would love your help to keep us stocked up so we can continue to provide free, nutritious food and essential toiletries for people in need.

We know that everyone is feeling stretched at the moment, which only makes your generosity more amazing and appreciated!

### **How can I help?**

Right now, we really need cash donations. Giving cash allows Jenny, our brilliant lead volunteer, to go shopping each week for items that are desperately needed but are not in the store.

We are also incredibly grateful for any food you can give. Any amount at all is helpful, even one packet, box or bottle of something! Here are the items we're most in need of at the moment.

Please only donate the items on the list below.

***Cooking oil***	Deodorant
Sanitary towels	Tampax
Pasta	Rice
Pasta sauce	Tinned fruit - any type
Dates	Kitchen roll
Washing up liquid	Shampoo
Soap	Coffee
Tea	Passata
Oat cakes	Biscuits

**Please DO NOT donate:**

**Fresh food (we can't safely store it and it will go to waste)**

### **Where do I leave food donations?**

Please put **food donations** either in the **clear box labelled "Community Food Pantry Donation Box"** at the **back of the church** or in the **box outside the front door of the Presbytery.**

### **How do I donate money?**

There is a "Food Pantry" button on the Donation Point inside the church if you would like to make monetary donations by card. Or you can give cash to Mgr Massey or put it in an envelope through Jenny Glester's door at 57 Egerton Road.

### **How do I donate my time?**

If you'd like to get involved in the organisation of the Community Food Pantry, you can join our WhatsApp group by following this link: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Kq3UpC345FdDOPMnNwQfja>

Thank you all for your support!

## Clubs and sports at St Bon's

It is great to see all our clubs and sports activities back up and running. Sometimes these can be hard to keep track of.

This new section of the newsletter should hopefully make it easier to know what is happening week to week where we know about changes in advance. If we have to cancel a club at short notice, we will email and text parents. On the odd occasion when things go wrong with communication, please do bear with us.

### Week of 16<sup>th</sup> May

Premier Sport Football	YES – all week
Netball	<b>NO – Monday – just for this week</b> YES - Tuesday
Gymnastics	YES – Tuesday
Mr Morgan after school	YES – Team Girls' Football, Team Basketball
Drama	YES – Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Rugby	YES – Thursday
Yoga	YES – Friday (Year 1 only this term)
Chess	YES – Friday
Hockey	YES – Friday

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Netball	YES - Monday and Tuesday
Gymnastics	YES – Tuesday
Mr Morgan after school	YES – Team Girls' Football, Team Basketball
Drama	<b>PRODUCTIONS ALL WEEK</b>
Rugby	YES – Thursday <b>LAST SESSION – NO TAG RUGBY IN TERM 6</b>
Yoga	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Chess	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Hockey	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b>

## COMMUNITY NEWS

One of our parents has signed up to The Big Plastic Count - the UK's biggest investigation into household plastic waste.

It will uncover the truth about how much plastic passes through our homes and what happens to it, and new game-changing evidence will be gathered that will push the government to tackle the plastic crisis.

Will you join too? <https://thebigplasticcount.com/share/email>

Find out more here: <https://thebigplasticcount.com>

**St Bon's Brownies** has vacancies for new Brownies. If you have a daughter in Year 2 or above and would like your daughter to join the parish Brownie group, please contact [stbonsbrownies@gmail.com](mailto:stbonsbrownies@gmail.com)

### **Sinead Pelley Health & Wellbeing**

Kinesiology is a completely natural and highly effective way to attain optimum mental and physical health.

It uses gentle muscle testing to identify, understand and rectify any imbalance within the body and is suitable for all ages.

Kinesiology is incredibly effective for children and parents are amazed at how quickly results are achieved. I offer various different treatments including Kinesiology, Nutrition & Food Testing, Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT), Targeted Gut Health Support, Wellness Advice and much more.

I offer a free 10-minute phone consultation and 10% off all initial treatments for St Bonaventure's families. Pop in to see me at the Bank Fitness on Henleaze Road – I am offering free 15 minute slots for you to visit my clinic and talk through how I can help either you or your loved ones.

To book, please message me via my 'Contact Sinead' page @ [www.healthandwellbeingbristol.co.uk](http://www.healthandwellbeingbristol.co.uk)  
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