



# ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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guided by the light of Christ

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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This year we would like to encourage as many families as possible to fill shoe boxes for children in Albania who would otherwise not receive any gifts at Christmas. There is more information about how to go about this below.

Please could I remind everyone again of the importance of sticking to the pavement when entering and leaving the school grounds. Yesterday, our tag rugby coach had difficulty entering the school car park due to the volume of parents and children walking on the road. Whilst I appreciate the pavement is narrower than the driveway it is there for pedestrians to use.

Mrs McGrath has been working hard for us as a school to gain a Gold Award from an initiative called The School Games Mark. This is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. Well done to everyone at school who gets involved with school games, at whatever level.

Congratulations to our year 4 football team for becoming North Bristol champions! Thank you to Mr Morgan for coaching the team.

Best wishes,

*Lucille Charles*  
Headteacher

**Events week commencing:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018 ([MENU week 2](#))  
**HARVEST WEEK**

<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup>:</b>	<b>Individual / sibling photographs</b>
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> :	Parents' evening 4-7pm
<b>Weds 24<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>Harvest Mass in Church 9.15am</b>
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> :	Parents' evening 4-7pm <b>Collect WEBBOX boxes for Christmas gifts</b>
<b>Fri 26<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>CAFOD non-uniform day – wear bright colours for £1</b> BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM

**Events week commencing:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 ([NEW](#) [MENU week 1](#))

<b>Mon 5<sup>th</sup> :</b>	<b>INSET DAY – children do not come into school</b>
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> :	Start of Term 2
<b>Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> :</b>	<b>Flu vaccinations for children – only for those pre booked</b>

## Parenting Spotlight

### Pillars Of Self-Esteem

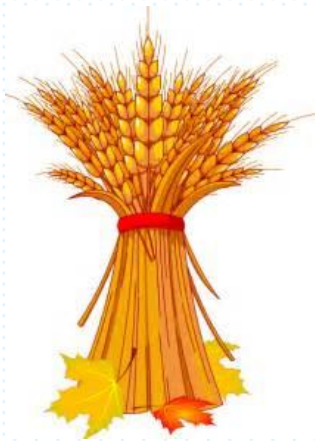
We are all held up by invisible pillars of self-esteem – these pillars are what we consider ourselves to be good at, or what defines us. We all need multiple pillars because if one of our pillars should fall, then we need lots of others to hold us up. For example, if your child is the ‘sporty boy/girl’ and then is injured, their self-esteem is going to be seriously affected unless they have other pillars too.

Please help your children to build lots of pillars. Encourage passion and celebrate the thing that makes your child different from everyone else. Discuss with them: “What makes you ‘you’?” and “What would you do if you could / couldn’t do [hockey / swimming / dance] anymore?” Help your child to build pillars – this will enable them to be resilient in the future.

*‘It’s not who you are that limits you... it’s who you think you should be’*

### Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who has donated food. We will continue to collect dried and tinned goods until the end of term. We will donate the goods to a local charity which supports homeless people in Bristol.



We are collecting the following items:

- 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.

On Friday 26th October, we are also 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

## Y4 football champions!

Congratulations to our Year 4 football team who won the North Bristol football tournament earlier this week...



## WEBOX – shoe box appeal for Christmas

This autumn we will again be supporting the West of England Baptist Association, WEBOX, shoe box appeal.



We are inviting everyone to collect a shoe box from school – these will be available from THURSDAY. Fill the box with goodies which will be packaged up and sent to Albania for children who don't usually receive Christmas presents.

Mr Mico, one of our parents, will be going with the boxes this year and will be taking photographs for us so we can see where our boxes end up.

Use the word WEBOX to help you shop!

- W – something to Wash with – soap, flannel, toothbrush, toothpaste
- E – something Educational – pens, pencils, notepad, colouring crayons, calculator.
- B – a Bar of chocolate or a bag of sweets
- O – Something to put On. Hat, scarf, gloves, socks, sunglasses, jewellery.
- X – Something eXciting – any other games or toys that a child would like to receive.

Thank you in advance for your help and generosity.

### **Y3 author success...**

Congratulations to Summer in Year 3 for winning first prize in a writing competition across 24 schools - we are very proud!!

### **Y5 cake sale**

Thank you to everyone who made, bought and ate cakes last Friday! The sale raised £137.56 so a fantastic effort.

### **Drama club**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October for the WHOLE CAST. We will be watching a DVD of the last production of Oliver.

Please send your child with a snack and a drink as it will be a later 5pm finish this week. Scripts and song sheets will also be given out to all the cast. Please make sure children bring their signed contracts back by Monday's club.

**Drama finishes at 5pm.**

### **Lost property**

Tables will be out today and next Friday in the playground displaying lost property. Please do check for any of your child(ren)'s belongings. We will be sending unclaimed items to charity after half term.

Thank you.

### **One off payments**

Letters detailing the cost for each year group's trips, DT costs, swimming lessons (where applicable) and theatre visits in school should now have reached you. If not, please check your email inbox or come and pick up a paper copy from the office. The costs for each year group are now also on our website and below:

Reception:	£23.50
Year 1:	£35.00
Year 2:	£65.50
Year 3:	£63.00
Year 4:	£67.00
Year 5:	£65.00
Year 6:	£60.00

Please note that the one off payment does NOT include residential camps - these are paid for separately for years 5 and 6.

You can pay for the one off payment online via School Gateway or by cash or cheque. The deadline is mid-January – you are welcome to pay in instalments which are convenient to you. This is very easy to do online or you can bring cash or cheques into the office.



## Speech and language therapist – free session in school

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November, a speech and language therapist will be in school for free 15 minute drop in sessions.

If you would like to discuss anything to do with your child's speech and language development, please get in touch with our SENCO Mrs Kurzik [sencostbonaventuresp@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:sencostbonaventuresp@bristol-schools.uk) and let her know when you would like to come in – 15 minute slots are available from 9am to 10am. Alternatively you can turn up for the 10.15 drop in session but please be aware you may have to wait.

## Individual / sibling photographs

Jane Chmiel, our school photographer, will be coming into school on Monday next week to take individual and sibling photographs. You will then receive proofs from which you can order and pay for photos.

Please note that all Reception children will be photographed individually as well as with siblings higher up the school (where applicable). Children in years 1 - 6 will only be photographed individually if they do not have siblings in school. If they do, individual photographs will not be taken.

If you do NOT wish your child(ren) to be photographed, please let your child's teacher or the office know.

## Kidzone Playscheme – October half term



October Half Term is nearly here!

Kidzone will be open for Playscheme from Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November. The club is based in the DT room onsite. There will be craft and cookery activities everyday as well as access to fun indoor and outdoor play opportunities.

Both full and short sessions are available to suit your needs. Booking forms are available from the main office.

If you would like further information, don't hesitate to contact the play team – [kidzonestbons@bristol-schools.co.uk](mailto:kidzonestbons@bristol-schools.co.uk) Open to all children, not just those at St Bon's.

### Prices

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

## PTFA notices

### Christmas card orders

We have now sent off all your orders for this year - they raise much-needed funds for the school, so thank you. We will let you know when everything arrives.

### Aviva Community Fund

We have entered a project into the 2018 Aviva Community Fund competition to receive a grant to help us regenerate the Foundation Stage area which includes the Preschool and Reception classes. We need your votes to support this project - the projects with the most votes become finalists and anyone who lives in the UK can register and will get 10 votes to use. Voting opens on 23 October 2018 and we will be sending out the link to the project next week. Please help us get this project off the ground. To find out more visit [www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk](http://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk)

Dates for your diaries:

TONIGHT Friday 19th October  
Autumn kids disco  
Key stage 1 disco: 6.00-7.15pm  
Key stage 2 disco: 7.30-9.15pm

All the tickets have sold out so it should be a fantastic evening. Thank you for all your help filling the rotas. And if anyone can stay behind at the end of the KS2 disco to help clear away the stage ready for the groups that use the hall on Saturday morning that would be great. Have fun!

Wednesday 24th October  
Class reps meeting

Details have been sent out to the class reps. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Monday 26th November  
Bag2School

Bags will be handed out next week so you can start filling them over half term.

Sunday 2nd December  
Christmas Fair

There will be a Christmas fair committee meeting after half term so please watch this space for more details to see how you can get involved.

Thank you for your continued support. Please contact us on [ptfa.stbons@gmail.com](mailto:ptfa.stbons@gmail.com) if you have any comments or suggestions.

Melanie and Hilary  
PTFA Joint Chairs

## **SPORTS NEWS THIS WEEK**

### **Team football**

Please get your child to check with Mr Morgan about whether football training is on next week – he is not in school today due to attending a wedding!

### **Swimming**

Well done to the team who took part in the first Percy Smith gala on Wednesday. They swam brilliantly and came 2nd overall.

Next swim time trials will be held on Sunday 3rd February 2019 at 2pm. Please put the date in your diary. If anyone is good with IT stuff and can offer their help, please speak to Mrs McGrath.

### **Hockey**

Well done to the teams who took part in the girls' hockey festival at Colston's last Thursday. A fantastic result ending with St Bon's winning the tournament.

### **Cross country**

- Well done to the Y5/4/3 teams who took part in the cross-country competition at QEH, particularly Henri who came first over all.
- Well done to the Y3, 4, 5 and 6 cross country teams who took part in the event at St Bede's last week. We came 2nd overall. Brilliant running by all, especially Thiago who came first!

### **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](mailto:kate.mcgrath@bristol-schools.uk) It is for KS2 only.

### **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 club is now FULL. You will be notified with details about it before the end of term 1. Mrs McGrath is in the process of collating a register and confirming places.

### **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)

Monday – 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

<b>DANCE CLUB Rise:</b> Fridays 3.30-4.30pm – THIS CLUB IS NOW FULL – please ask if you would like your child to join a waiting list	Fridays Rec – Yr 2
<b>FOOTBALL Premier Sport:</b> Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit <a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a> .	Mondays Yrs 1-2
<b>TAG RUGBY Clifton Rugby Club:</b> Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm	Thursdays Rec - Yr 6

### YEARS 3-6

<b>DANCE CLUB Rise:</b> Wednesdays KS2 3.30-4.30pm – SPACES AVAILABLE	Weds KS2
<b>FENCING &amp; ARCHERY Premier Sport:</b> For years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Fridays 3.30 - 4.30pm. Book online <a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a> or call Lee 07917 187771.	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
<b>FOOTBALL Premier Sport:</b> Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm Forms have been sent home or book online <a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a> or call Lee on 07917 18 7771	Tuesdays Yrs 3-6
<b>GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics:</b> 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
<b>HOCKEY Premier Sport:</b> For years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Fridays 3.30 - 4.30pm. Book online <a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a> or call Lee 07917 187771.	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
<b>KNITTING CLUB Mrs Andrews:</b> 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 <sup>th</sup> Sept
<b>NETBALL Mrs McGrath:</b> 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
<b>TAG RUGBY Clifton Rugby Club:</b> Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm	Thursdays Rec - Yr 6
<b>TEAM FOOTBALL Mr Morgan:</b> Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm	Wednesdays Yr 4 – Yr 6

### EARLY MORNING

<b>BADMINTON Premier Sport:</b> Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 Book online <a href="http://www.premier-education.com/sport">www.premier-education.com/sport</a> or call Lee 07917 187771. £20 for Term 2.	Tues 7.45 – 8.30am
<b>CIRCUIT TRAINING Mr Morgan:</b> 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
<b>NETBALL FOR WOMEN:</b> Mondays 9 - 10.00am. All abilities welcome. £1 charge.	Mondays 9 - 10am



<b>RUNNING CLUB Mrs McGrath:</b> 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
<b>YOGA Ms Sus:</b> 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

<b>BIBLE DISCOVERY Miss Haime / Mrs Woolley: For years 4-6</b> - 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
<b>CHOIR Miss Tudhope: For years 1-2</b> - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 2T classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 1-2
<b>CHOIR Miss Gray: For years 3-6</b> - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3CG classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 3-6
<b>CHAPLAINCY Mrs Ballantine: For years 5-6</b> – Thursday lunchtimes weekly 12.15 - 12.45pm.	Thursdays Yr 5-6
<p><b>DEBATING CLUB Mrs Addleman:</b> 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

- The annual St Bon's Church Quiz Night is taking place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November in the school hall. Tickets cost £10 per team (max 6 people) – please contact the parish office on 942 4448 or [bristol.stbonaventure@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:bristol.stbonaventure@cliftondiocese.com)
- Fancy taking part in 'Eat Well for Less'? The show follows Masterchef's Gregg Wallace & award winning greengrocer Chris Bavin on a mission to prove that it is possible for families and households to save money on their food budget without scrimping on taste and nutrition. They hope that by analysing the shopping habits of UK families, they can help to show where we can source the best and cheapest quality food.

Get in touch to apply or find out more!

Call: 0117 970 7670 or e-mail: [eatwell@rdftelevision.com](mailto:eatwell@rdftelevision.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/EatWellForLess](https://www.facebook.com/EatWellForLess)

Twitter: @EatWellForLess

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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!
- **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](mailto: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.