



ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to Mrs Harvey and her husband on the safe arrival of baby Jessica.

Some of you may already be aware that Mrs Parry will be leaving us at the end of this term. I would like to extend my thanks on behalf of everyone in school for all her hard work and wish her the very best for the future.

Could I please remind parents that our school website does have a parent area where you can log in and check your child(ren)'s class pages? If you can't remember your password, just click on the 'Forgotten password' link using the email address you have provided to school.

I received a report this week from a parent whose child was very nearly hit by one of our pupils riding a bike on the pavement of Cornwall Road at speed. Fortunately no-one was hurt, but please do be aware that, if children are cycling on the pavement, they must do so slowly and with an adult close by. We would hate to see someone hurt. Children also need to dismount bikes and scooters BEFORE using the pavement to enter the school grounds.

The children have been collecting money today for Children in Need. We are particularly proud of our year 5 children who have organised a cake sale as part of this. This is a good example of our children 'walking the talk'!

Best wishes,

Lucille Charles
Headteacher

Events week commencing: Monday 19th November 2018 (**NEW MENU week 3**)

Mon 19th : **Brass concert 2.45pm – parents welcome**

Tues 20th : Year 5/6 sportshall activities 3.30pm

Fri 23rd: **Year 4 cake sale after school**

Events week commencing: Monday 26th November 2018 (**MENU week 1**)

Mon 26th : **Piano concert 2.45pm – parents welcome**

Tues 27th : 5SK class assembly 2.45pm – parents welcome

Weds 28th: **Year 6 leave for Kintbury – return by 3.15pm on Friday**

Fri 30th: Non-uniform day for bottle donation for Christmas Fair

Violin concert 2.45pm – parents welcome

Parenting Spotlight

Anti-bullying week

This week was Anti-Bullying Week. The theme was 'Choose Respect'. In the classroom, the children have been taking part in PSHE lessons and circle times thinking about what respect means; that we can respectfully disagree with each other and that we all need to choose to respect each other, both face to face and online.

The children have been extremely mature and honest during discussions and understand that they can speak out if they or anyone they know is affected by bullying.

Geography week – 26th November

Parents/Grandparents/Friends - can you help us?

Geography Week is approaching and we are very excited about this! Each year group is going to be comparing the Human and Physical Geography of Bristol with another part of the world.

Year 1 - Australia

Year 2 - Dhaka (Bangladesh)

Year 3 - Coll (Scottish Hebrides)

Year 4 - Naples (Italy)

Year 5 - History Week*

Year 6 - Cusco (Peru)

*Year 5 had Geography Week in Term 1 during History Week.

If you have lived in, or have visited one of these places, we would love to hear from you! We would like you to email your impressions of this of the country/city to us and we will collate those and share them with the children. You might have some photos you could share, or you may even be able to come in and talk about your experiences.

Please email your responses to Mrs Addleman:

sasha.addleman@bristol-schools.uk who will then forward your email on to the relevant class teachers.

Thank you
Mrs Addleman

Drama club

Monday 19th November – WHOLE CAST needed.

Late finish – 5.15pm

No dogs on the premises



Please remember that no dogs are allowed on the school premises (except guide dogs of course). There have been a couple of incidents recently where a dog has been tied up *inside* the perimeter fence and has fouled on the grassy area just inside the school.

Nativity performances for classes in Reception, Y1 and Y2



To ensure that all those who want to attend the nativity performances are able to do so, we will be running TWO performances for each class on the following days:

RM, 1GM, 2T – Monday 10th and Tuesday 11th December @ 2pm

RT, 1H, 2W – Weds 12th and Thurs 13th December @ 2pm

Four invitations per family will be sent home, two per performance. The invitations will be dated and checked on arrival, so please do use the correct tickets for the correct day!

Please return any unwanted tickets to the school office so that these can be used by other family members if needed.

Christmas lunch – Thursday 20th December



Christmas lunch will be on Thursday 20th December this year. Order forms have been emailed today and paper copies will be coming home shortly via book bags – these need to be returned to us by Friday 23rd November please.

IF WE DO NOT HAVE A FORM FOR YOUR CHILD, WE CANNOT ORDER THEM A CHRISTMAS LUNCH!

Years Reception to Year 2 do not pay for Christmas lunch. Years 3-6 need to pay £2.10 per meal as usual.

Remembrance Day service – St Bon's pupil sings



One of our pupils took part in the Remembrance service at Bristol Cathedral last Saturday evening. Performing with Studio 7 and other singing groups, Zacai sang in front of a packed Cathedral congregation. It was an outstanding performance from everyone involved and one that Zacai is immensely proud of - he even had a brief appearance on BBC Points West! Well done to everyone involved in this special 100 year commemoration.

Lottery winners – August and September 2018

Please come and collect your cheques from the school office next week.

	August 2018
£50.00	Henry Blunden
£25.00	Caroline Evans
£10.00	Kate Stephens

	September 2018
£50.00	Sylvia Ibbotson
£25.00	Liz Maddocks
£10.00	Antonia Layard

PTFA news

Tuesday 20th November, 12 noon

Deadline for voting for our Aviva Community Fund 2018 Bid.

St Bonaventure's PTFA has entered a project for a chance to win a grant to regenerate the Foundation Stage playground 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 if we reach the final we will automatically receive £500. Anyone who lives in the UK can register and will get 10 votes to use. So please vote for us and share with all your family and friends. Voting closes on Tuesday 20 November 2018. We still need lots and lots of votes!

Please use this link: <https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-2994> or visit www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk for more information.

Monday 26th November: 9am, Bag2School

Your child should have received a Bag2School bag to fill with clothes, shoes, soft toys etc. If you don't have the Bag2School bag then any bin bag or similar will do! The class that contributes the most bags will be able to choose a prize for their classroom, such as a set of books for the book corner. Please make sure you bring your bag in by 9am as the bags will be collected by the company that morning.

Christmas Fair, Sunday 2nd December



The St Bon's Christmas Fair is on Sunday 2nd December, 2.00pm-4.30pm. This is a lovely event to get the festive season off to a great start and we look forward to Santa's Grotto, mulled wine and mince pies, fabulous hampers and much more! Well done to Noah from 3CW whose Christmas card design has been chosen for our Christmas Fair poster this year!

Please keep bringing in your items for your class hamper and goody bags. Please sign up for a slot to help out with your class stall on the day of the fair via your class rep. Raffle tickets for winning a hamper on the day of the fair will be sent home via your child next week.

Friday 30th November

Non-uniform day in return for bringing a bottle for the ever-popular Bottle Stall

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

Melanie and Hilary
Joint PTFA Chairs



Lost coat

A coat like the one in this photo has been lost from after school club – if you have mistakenly got it at home, please return to the office. It has a child's name in it – KRG are the initials.

CAFOD fundraising

Thank you to everyone who made, bought and ate cakes in aid of CAFOD and wore bright home clothes on the last day of Term 1. We raised an amazing £483!

SPORTS NEWS THIS WEEK

Team football

Team training as usual on Wednesday after school.

Sportshall athletics

Good luck to the Y6 team taking part in the sportshall event at St Bede's next Tuesday after school. Please get reply slips back asap. Parents are welcome to stay and watch.

Netball

Well done to the team who took part in the netball tournament on Wednesday. They played two matches and won both of them 6 – 0 and 9 -0.

Swimming

Well done to the team who took part in the 2nd Percy Smith gala on Wednesday. The whole team swam really well, coming a very close 2nd place.

Next swimming time trials will be Sunday 3rd February at 2pm - please keep the date free.

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 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.

Multisport club for children in years 1 and 2

This club is now FULL.

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

DANCE CLUB Rise: 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
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit www.premier-education.com/sport .	Mondays Yrs 1-2
MULTISPORTS Premier Sport: Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm Mrs McGrath has now confirmed which children have a place. This club is FULL.	Wednesdays Yrs 1 and 2
TAG RUGBY Clifton Rugby Club: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm	Thursdays Rec - Yr 6

YEARS 3-6

DANCE CLUB Rise: Wednesdays KS2 3.30-4.30pm – SPACES AVAILABLE	Weds KS2
FENCING & ARCHERY Premier Sport: For years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Fridays 3.30 - 4.30pm. Book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771.	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
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 3.30 - 4.30pm. Book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771.	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
KNITTING CLUB Mrs Andrews: 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
TAG RUGBY Clifton Rugby Club: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm	Thursdays Rec - Yr 6
TEAM FOOTBALL Mr Morgan: Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm	Wednesdays Yr 4 – Yr 6

EARLY MORNING

BADMINTON Premier Sport: Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 Book online www.premier-education.com/sport or call Lee 07917 187771. £20 for Term 2.	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: Mondays 9 - 10.00am. All abilities welcome. £1 charge.	Mondays 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

- The annual St Bon's Church Quiz Night is taking place on Friday 16th 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

- **VOLUNTEER AT LIFESKILLS**

Has your child been to Lifeskills? Have you got a bit of spare time on your hands? Would you like to work with children to improve their safety skills?

Lifeskills is a safety education charity helping thousands of children from across the West of England to live safer, happier lives. Our Centre is a realistic village with houses, shops, a railway and a beach where children learn how to deal with dangerous or difficult situations in a safe, interactive environment.

We need volunteers to guide small groups of children through the Lifeskills village. Sessions run from 9.40am – 12pm and 12.40pm – 3pm weekdays during term time. Volunteering is flexible and we only ask for a minimum commitment of 2 days a month. If you would like to get involved call 0117 922 4511 or email johanna@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk