



# St Bonaventure's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

My thanks to all our kitchen staff and Mrs Hardiman and her team for providing the children with a wonderful Christmas lunch on Tuesday. We managed to squeeze all the children into the Hall and everyone had a very festive time! The DT room was also beautifully decorated for those children who enjoyed a packed lunch.



I would also like to say a huge thank you to every member of staff here at St Bon's. I am only too well aware of the amount of work that goes on behind the scenes to educate our children, give them such a diverse range of opportunities and keep them safe.

We enjoyed a wonderful Carol Service on Wednesday night and Christmas Mass this morning – my thanks to those members of staff who worked hard to deliver both of these events.

Finally I would also like to say thank you to Melanie Bunce for coordinating volunteers to serve mulled wine and mince pies at the Carol service, to the PTFA for providing them and to all our parents and carers who contribute to school life in whatever way.

Best wishes for a peaceful Christmas and a happy New Year,

*Lucille Charles*  
Headteacher

**School reopens** on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January (Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> is an INSET day)

**Events week commencing:** Wednesday 4th January 2017 (**MENU** no: 2)

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>:** Start of Term 3  
Drama tonight – see below for details.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>:** Swimming time trials

**Events week commencing:** Monday 9th January 2017 (**MENU** no: 3)

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup>:** Whole cast rehearsal until 5pm

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>:** 4C class assembly

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>:** Tag rugby club restarts

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup>:** Dance club restarts  
Year 2 cake sale after school

## Reminder for Reception 2017 applications

If you have a child who is due to start school in September 2017, please remember to apply to Bristol City Council by 15<sup>th</sup> January at the latest. If you are applying to St Bon's and your child is baptised Catholic, please ensure that we have a copy of their certificate, also by the 15<sup>th</sup> January.

## Drama Club

Will start back on Wednesday 4th January for:  
Bagheera, Mowgli, Baloo, Shere Khan and Zebra. 3.15-4.15pm  
and Monday 9th January for the whole cast. 3.15–5pm

### Music lesson payments for Terms 3 and 4

Thank you to everyone who has already paid for Terms 3 and 4 music lessons. Please be aware that payment should ideally be received before the beginning of next term when lessons start. If you are unsure of your balance, please check with Mrs Benians in the school office.

### After School and Breakfast Club Bookings Terms 3 and 4

If you have sent in a booking form for either After School or Breakfast Club, please check your child's account on School Gateway to make sure the sessions booked are correct. If they are NOT correct, please contact Penny Southgate in the office as soon as possible.



### Christmas services at St Bonaventure's Church

#### **Christmas Mass Times:**

Saturday 24th December: 6pm and 12am (midnight) with Carols at 11.30pm

Sunday 25th December: 9.30am only (no evening Mass)

**Christmas Nativity:** please come and enjoy a celebration of Jesus' birth at our traditional Christmas Nativity Service on **Saturday 17th December** at 3pm. The event has been loved by hundreds of families over the years and this time we want to make it even bigger and allow for more families to attend who would not normally be able to as they are away from Bristol over Christmas. Children are encouraged to come dressed up in nativity costumes to join in with the service but that's not all! There will also be mulled wine, refreshments and mince pies after the service together with face painting, a lucky dip and a piñata! We really do hope that you will be able to make it and stay afterwards for our Christmas celebration!

**Christmas Eve Mass:** We have made Christmas Eve Mass earlier this year (6pm) and we invite children who have costumes made for the Nativity to wear them to this Mass to celebrate the arrival of Jesus. All are warmly welcome!

**Win a Christmas Hamper:** Fingers crossed you were one of the lucky ones to win a hamper at the School Fair last Sunday! If you weren't one of the lucky ones, fear not! There is still a chance to win a hamper at St Bon's Church. Raffle tickets are on sale after each weekend Mass or look out for Neta Roylance-Smith in the School playground and grab yourself a chance to win our amazing hamper filled with lovely goodies and a voucher for £50 from John Lewis! All proceeds will be going to the Church.

### Boxing Day Ramble

It has become a St Bon's tradition to have a walk on Boxing Day to work off the Christmas pud and it provides a good opportunity to drag the kids away from their tablets and let them run free! This year we will head to the Mendips for a 5 mile walk suitable for all ages and dogs. It may be muddy so please wear sturdy boots. Bring a packed lunch and meet in the church car park at 11am on Monday 26 December.

For more details please contact [annie\\_sparkes@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:annie_sparkes@hotmail.co.uk)

## Lottery winners for September 2016

Please come and collect your winnings from the office!

£10.00	Jim Wood
£5.00	Robert Banim
£5.00	Susie Carr
£5.00	Antonia Layard

## SPORTS

### Football

NO football training next Wednesday. Mr Morgan wishes everyone a very Happy Christmas!

### New early morning club... circuits

We are hoping to start a new early morning fitness club on Thursday mornings from 7.50am to 8.30am. This is open to KS2 children, parents and staff. For more information please see Mrs McGrath.

### Early morning KS2 Yoga class

The early morning Yoga class will continue Mondays from 7.50am to 8.30am. There is a small charge for this club. Letters about this have been sent home today. Please see Mrs McGrath for more information.

### Hockey

The Friday after-school hockey club will continue in Terms 3 and 4 but for Y5 and 6 ONLY in preparation for the level 2 competition in March. Letters about this have been sent home today. The club will start on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January.

### Swim time trials

This will be on Sunday 8th January at the Dolphin pool in Filton at 3.30pm. All reply slips need to be in by today. All offers of adult help will be gratefully received.

### Tag Rugby Club

Tag rugby club will start back on Thursday 12th January.

### Dance

The after school dance club will start back on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January - letters about this have been sent home today.

## COMMUNITY SECTION

- Information from **Bristol Partnership** about upcoming events:
  - St Pauls Christmas Fayre (taking place 17th December at the Malcolm X Centre)
  - Christmas Disco at the Kuumba Centre (also on the 17th)
  - The Yardarts Christmas Grotto on Lower Ashley Road (various dates - see flyer attached with email)

- **Mr Gotalot's Gotalot Shop: The Cheese Burglar!**

Ms Barnet, the evil landlady, has lost her precious golden cheese. Whodunnit? Enter Detective Shirley Lock to help Mr Gotalot solve this perplexing case. A crazy crime caper from the original theatrical sitcom for families. Tickets now on sale!

Sundays 8th, 15th and 22nd January 2017

10.30am, 1.00pm and 3.30pm

Kelvin Players Studio Theatre, Gloucester Road, BS7 8NY.

Tickets £7 each, £25 family of four, under 3s free, (booking fees apply).

Buy online at [www.monkeytrouserstheatre.com](http://www.monkeytrouserstheatre.com)

- Well done to Gerlando Parrinello who shaved his head earlier this week to raise money for children's cancer charity 'Brave the Shave'. Gerlando raised more than £3,000 which is amazing!
- Xmas holiday courses @ Kings Tennis Clubs!  
Dec 20th, 21st, 27th, 28th, 29 - 9am - 1pm  
Please book online  
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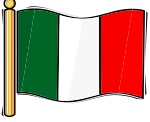






Contact Elly for more details: [ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com](mailto:ellytennis.kings@hotmail.com)

- **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. Term 3 begins Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> and Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	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 5 and 6 ONLY: Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm. Club restarts on Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> January.	Fridays Yrs 5-6
	<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>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>TAG RUGBY:</b> New tag rugby club for years 3-6: Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30pm. This will start again on Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> January.	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</b> <b>Mrs Williams:</b> For years 3-6 boys and girls - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3W classroom. New members welcome!	
	<b>CHOIR</b> <b>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</b> <b>Mr Khanna:</b> For boys only in years 3-6 - Monday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 5K classroom.
	<b>DEBATING CLUB</b> <b>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.