



ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Striving to be the best we can,
guided by the light of Christ

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our year 6 children and staff returned safe, sound and happy on Monday following a very successful (and very hot!) PGL camp. Everyone had a great time. My thanks to the staff for giving up their weekend to accompany the children and ensure they were all able to enjoy themselves.

Thank you to all parents who completed our end of year questionnaire. Your feedback is really important and we value your honesty. In total, 140 responses were submitted. The common strengths you identified included the nurturing environment we provide, our Christian ethos and values, the high standard of behaviour and our focus on the development of the whole child. Common areas for development are focused around the information we provide to parents about how children can be supported at home, including homework. We have identified actions to improve this area and plan to work alongside our parent working group in term 1 so that initiatives and changes can be made to support parents in knowing how best to support their child(ren).

Well done to Year 4 who took part in CAFOD's 'Share the Journey' campaign. This was to raise awareness of the plight of refugees who make long, difficult and arduous journeys in the hope of a new life. On Wednesday they walked to the Downs to take part in a walk with five other local Catholic Schools. In total our children walked 13km which was no mean feat in the heat! We would like to say a massive thank you to the parents who accompanied us on our walk and to Mrs Mico who kindly donated ice creams for all the children which really helped to cool us down.

The school fair takes place tomorrow so we look forward to seeing lots of you there. Please do support the PTFA who have worked extremely hard to make this event fun for all.

Best wishes,

Lucille Charles
Headteacher

Events week commencing: Monday 2nd July 2018 ([MENU week 2](#))

Mon 2nd July:

Level 2 Bikeability GROUP 2

First Communion service 2.30pm – parents welcome
(see note below)

Triathlon for years 4, 5 and 6

PTFA meeting 9am – DT room

Tues 3rd:

2T class assembly – parents welcome from 2.45pm

Thurs 5th:

Changeover day – children to new classes for the day

**Reception parents invited to look at learning diaries
from 2.45pm**

Events week commencing: Monday 9th July 2018 (**MENU week 3**)

Health and Fitness week!

Mon 9th July: Level 2 Bikeability GROUP 2

Mon 9th: First Communion service 2.30pm – parents welcome (see note below)

Tues 10th: Reception, Y1 and Y2 Sports Day – parents welcome from 9.15am

Weds 11th: Years 3-6 swimming gala (**Horfield**) 1.30 – 3pm – parents welcome

Thurs 12th: Years 3-6 Sports Day – parents welcome from 9.15am

Fri 13th: Year 6 leavers' disco

St Bon's Feast Day – Church celebration at school on Sunday 15th (see below)

PTFA Dates for the Diary

Summer Fair TOMORROW, Saturday, 30th June, 1pm-4pm. Please make a note of the following important info:

- We will be setting up the fair from 9am on Saturday 30th and would welcome volunteers to help us
- You will have received information about your class stall from your class rep. Please do volunteer some time on the day of the fair if you haven't already done so.

This year the Cake Stall is running a Bake Off competition - please see poster and entry form attached with the newsletter. Please bring your Showstopper to the Cake Stall by 1.30pm on the day of the fair, entry £1 - prizes to be won!

As the weather is so hot, we will need GAZEBOS and/or SUN PARASOLS with a weighted base to provide shade for the stalls. Please bring one to school on the morning of the fair if you have one.

The next PTFA meeting is on Monday 2nd July, 9am in the DT Room.

Triathlon – Monday 2nd July for Years 4, 5 and 6

We will be taking all the children in year 4, 5 and 6 to Horfield pool to take part in an all-inclusive triathlon. Letters about this event were sent home last week. We need as many parents as possible to help with this so please sign up to help.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: The children will need to wear their swimming costume and PE kit (including trainers) to school that day. In a bag, they will need:

- School uniform
- Underwear!
- Towel
- Goggles if they wish
- Packed lunch
- Bottle of water

Woodwind concert for parents of year 6

On Wednesday 18th July at 2.45pm in the school Hall, year 6 will be performing for any of their parents who can come to show off what they have been learning this year in their music lessons. We look forward to seeing you if you can make it.



Music lessons next year – brass spaces still available

We still have spaces for year 3 and above children who would like to learn a brass instrument. Please contact the school office for more information.

Music lesson **fees are now due** for Terms 1 and 2 next year. Charges remain the same as this year so £81.62 per two terms for guitar, brass and violin and £136.62 per two terms for piano. Payment can be made via School Gateway or cash or cheque in the office.

St Bede's open evening

This will take place on Thursday 27th September for current year 5 children and parents.

Current Year 4 – camp in September

The final instalment of £57 for Greatwood (aka Kilve!) is due today Friday 29th June.

Nominate St Bon's to win £5,000 for our school library!

National Book Tokens are running a competition to win £5,000 for school libraries. It is easy to nominate St Bon's, just click on the link [here](#) or type www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.WyE0JtJKiUI into your search engine.

First Communion service Mon 2nd July @ 2.30pm

We will be holding a service outside (weather permitting) to celebrate First Holy Communion on Monday 2nd July at 2.30pm. Parents of all children in year 3 are welcome to attend as well as parents of any children in years 4,5 and 6 who have had their first communion this year.

After School Club, Breakfast Club and Playschemes

DO YOU OWE MONEY TO SCHOOL?

We are getting close to the end of the school year. Unless you have already spoken to me, please check ALL your balances on School Gateway and make sure you pay all the money you owe, as soon as possible. This is particularly important if your child is in Year 6. If you have any queries please contact me urgently. I will respond to any queries on Monday.

Penny Southgate, Extended Schools Administrator

St Bonaventure's Feast Day – Sunday 15th July 2018



St Bonaventure's Church is holding a family fun day to celebrate St Bonaventure's Feast Day in the school grounds on Sunday 15th July between 11am and 3pm. Everyone is invited.

There will be all kinds of family friendly activities including a BBQ, bouncy castle, music and food.



Summer Playscheme

Our summer holiday club is just a month away and is packed with fun activities & workshops! We will be running for the whole 6 weeks of the summer holidays - Mon 23rd July to Fri 31st August. Please note that on Monday 27th August we will be closed due to the August bank holiday.

As you may know, our holiday club runs from 08.30 to 17:45, Monday to Friday, and times & costs vary to help you choose what suits you most:

- 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

Attached to this newsletter (and also available on the KidZone section of the school website) you will find a booking and a registration form for you to fill in and send back if interested, along with a healthcare plan form, if needed. If you have already sent us a registration form, you do not need to submit it twice. If you'd like to book, please return the booking form or contact the school office on 0117 353 2830.

Indicative workshops throughout the summer playscheme include: circus skills, partner acrobatics, aerial skills, Harry Potter & pirate ship bouncy courses, beat-box and more!

KidZone has access to St Bon's resources including the outdoor multi use games area, school gym, library and Scrapstore PlayPod. On any given day children will be building dens, playing football, painting, reading, climbing about, running around or enjoying role play. Our daily activities include 2 crafts & 1 cooking activity during which children can prepare sweet/savoury snacks to have later on in the day. Daily snack also includes fresh fruit and vegetables, pittas, dips and bread sticks. All attending children need to bring their own packed lunch.

We look forward to hearing from you!

SPORTS NEWS THIS WEEK – please see the table below for all club information

Team football: There will be no boys' team football for year 6 in Term 6.

Girls football: Year 5 and 6 girls' football club will be after school on Wednesdays on the MUGA with Miss M (student teacher in year 6)

Basketball for Year 6: this is now happening on Wednesdays. Please turn up if you would like to play. Boys and girls welcome – weather permitting.

Swimming

There will be more swimming time trials in September for all swimmers children in KS2. Please look out for more details before the end of term.

Gymnastics afterschool club

There are a few spaces available for the afterschool gymnastics club for Y5, Y4 and Y3. This is run by Bristol school of gymnastics and is an excellent opportunity. All those who are interested please speak to Mrs McGrath or Vicky Ashworth at the club.

Health and fitness week

It is health and fitness week 9th – 13th July. If any parents would like to help running an activity please speak to Mrs McGrath.

During the week the children will be taking part in lots of different sports. One of these will be our very own Race for Life. The children will undertake a run either on their own or in a relay and we will see which House runs the most miles. We have a JustGiving page and any donations will be gratefully received. Our target is £500. The page can be found here;

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/st-bonaventures-catholic-primary-school>

Free early morning badminton club

Premier Sport is running a free taster badminton club on Tuesday mornings from 7.45am – 8.30am. All those in Yr 3,4,5 and 6 can join. Please email the school if you are interested or fill out a club slip from the office.

Cricket

Well done to Y3/4 cricketers who took part in the Cricket competition today.

Triathlon for Yr 4,5 and 6

We will be taking all the children in year 4, 5 and 6 to Horfield pool to take part in an all-inclusive triathlon. Letters about this event were sent home last week. We need as many parents as possible to help with this so please sign up to help.

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KS2 Swimming gala

This will be Wednesday 11th July at 1.30pm at Horfield pool. All children in KS2 will need to be collected from the pool at 3.15pm. If your child attends afterschool club they will be walked back to school after the gala. We will need as many parents as possible to help walk children to the pool on Wednesday 11th July as well as on poolside. If you can help, please let Mrs McGrath know. Many thanks.

SPORTS & CLUBS LIST

Please check the school website or your email for news of club cancellations.

AFTER SCHOOL

RECEPTION, YEARS 1 and 2

ACT UP DRAMA CLUB Sam Cousins: Mondays 3.30-4.30pm This club is now FULL.	Thursdays Rec – Yr 2
CRICKET CLUB Shine: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm Visit www.shinesportscoaching.com to book a place.	Thursdays Rec – Yr 6
DANCE CLUB Rise: Fridays KS1 3.30-4.30pm	Fridays Rec – Yr 2
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Mondays Years Reception, 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit www.premier-education.com/sport .	Mondays Reception, Yrs 1-2

YEARS 3-6

ARCHERY AND FENCING Premier Sport: Yrs 3,4, 5 and 6 Term 5 for 7 weeks. Book online www.premier-education.com/sport	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
BASKETBALL CLUB Mr Morgan: Wednesdays 3.30-4.30pm Year 6 for Term 6	Thursdays Rec – Yr 6
CRICKET CLUB Shine: Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm Visit www.shinesportscoaching.com to book a place.	Thursdays Rec – Yr 6
DANCE CLUB Rise: Wednesdays KS2 3.30-4.30pm	Weds KS2
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm Book online www.premier-education.com/sport	Tuesdays Yrs 3-6
GIRLS' FOOTBALL Miss Matscheko: Wednesdays Y5 and Y6 3.30-4.30pm	Weds Yr 5-6
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 3.15 - 4.30pm. Forms have been sent home or book online www.premier-education.com/sport . Club will start on Friday 13 th April for 7 weeks	Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm
KNITTING CLUB Mrs Andrews & Mrs Fox: 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

EARLY MORNING

BADMINTON Premier Sport: Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 Taster for Term 5 – FREE session, 25 spaces available	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: Tuesdays at 9.10am. All abilities welcome. £1 charge.	Tuesdays 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
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
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. 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.	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

- **July's Let's Ride Bristol 2018** for families and schoolchildren

On Sunday 8 July an exciting day of cycling will take place in Bristol's city centre and all our local school children and their families are invited.

Organised by the council and HSBC UK/British Cycling, Let's Ride is a fun opportunity for young people to get involved in a healthy weekend biking activity with family, friends and fellow students. Please find attached my letter explaining the event and how to take part, together with a leaflet for your noticeboards and bulletins. I hope lots of local students will register to take part in this event which is free to attend and that we will see even more turning out on the day.

Registration is also free for parents, teachers and other family members who can help register a child. Expect a festival atmosphere and a great day out.

Competition: 'Design a Dream Bike' to win an iPad and other great prizes

To encourage your students and their families to register for Let's Ride we're offering the children a chance to win an iPad and other great prizes in our design-a-bike colouring competition. We hope to see lots of you at Let's Ride and look forward to seeing some great Dream Bikes. Have fun!

All details are available at: www.bristol.gov.uk/letsride2018

- **Emmanuel Church Wild West Holiday Club**

Get ready to get your cowboy boots on this year as Brains and Brawn head to the Wild Wild West this summer. As well as singing, playing games and doing craft we'll be learning that the greatest hero ever is Jesus. For children aged 4 (going into reception) up to and including age 8.

Date: Tuesday 28th August to Friday 31st August

Time: 9.30am-12.30pm

Location: Trinity College, Stoke Hill, BS9 1JP

To book your child a place, please [click here](#) to fill out the form.

- **Job vacancy** – Clerk to Governors at St Bernadette's primary school

Is anyone looking for a term time only, part time, part homeworking job? Due to changing circumstances I'm leaving my role as Clerk to the St Bernadette Primary governing body so they're looking for a new person to start in September. It fits in well around a family as meetings are in the morning 1-2 hours long and there are 4 per term. The rest of the work can be done at home, and although the school is in Hengrove I've always found it an easy 25 minute drive from BS7/BS9.

Main duties are preparing meeting paperwork/minutes and keeping records up to date, so would suit someone confident with admin and producing documents. Chris Mills, the school Business Manager would welcome questions and applications and I'm happy to chat to anyone informally. Catherine Bingham (Matthew's mum, RM) Any queries you can contact me at catherine.bingham@bristol-schools.uk

The vacancy is live on eTeach <https://bit.ly/2t4Jsfn>

- Redland Green School is holding its last **Car Boot sale** on Saturday 21st July. To book, contact rgsptacarboot sale@gmail.com or call 07720 387982. Pitches cost £10. Refreshments and toilet facilities will be available. Admission for buyers is £1 per adult – kids go free. There will also be a second hand RGS uniform sale.

- **The Perform Bursary Fund** is an independent not-for-profit scheme founded and run by local Perform parents. The scheme offers selected children a free place at Perform.

We are currently inviting applications from the parents/ carers of 4-7 and 7-12 year old children who would benefit from the classes but are prevented from attending by financial constraints. In particular children from disadvantaged backgrounds who are either:

- shy and unconfident
- confident but unfocused
- gifted and talented in the performing arts

Applications are now being taken – the deadline is June 30th.

You can read more about it [here](#).