



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,

This week has seen tragic events affecting young people and their families in Manchester and across the UK. Completely understandably, we have had several enquiries from parents wondering how best to tackle such a difficult topic with young children. Our thoughts and prayers are with all those who have been affected in whatever way.

I have been provided with some very useful information addressing the issue of how to talk to children about this and have uploaded it onto our school website – see the latest News section via the homepage at www.st-bonaventures.bristol.sch.uk

Our year 4, 5 and 6 children were lucky enough to receive a visit from author Elen Caldicott on Wednesday. It was really inspiring to hear Elen talk about her writing and the children thoroughly enjoyed it.

Thank you to the PTFA for organising the discos last Friday – the children had a wonderful time and we really appreciate the PTFA's support of our school community.

I would like to wish everyone a restful and safe half term. We look forward to seeing you back in school on Tuesday 6th June.

Best wishes,

Headteacher

Events week commencing: Tuesday 6th June 2017 (MENU no: 3)

Mon 5th June: **School closed** – Inset day
Tues 6th: Term 6 starts
Thurs 8th: Class photos

Events week commencing: Monday 12th June 2017 (MENU no: 1)

Mon 12th June: Brass concert – parents welcome from 2.45pm
Tues 13th: 1MS class assembly – parents welcome from 2.45pm
Weds 14th: Year 2 trip to Bristol Zoo
Thurs 15th: Reception trip to Wild Place
Fri 16th: Year 5 Bikeability - BIKE CHECK (bikes in today please)

Year 5 at Colston Hall

As part of the Year 5 music curriculum, the children will have the amazing opportunity to sing a varied repertoire at the Colston Hall. Year 5 will be performing at Colston Hall on Thursday 29th June from 7.30pm until 9pm. The next rehearsal at the Hall will be on Thursday 29th June (in school time). Letters about this have been sent home.

Tickets for the concert are now available to buy from the school office.

Suncream reminder

During the lovely weather we've been having, some children have been asking us to apply suncream in school. Please could parents apply all day cream before school as we are unable to apply this in school.

KS1 and Foundation stage parents' reading workshops

Calling all parents and carers of KS1 and reception children.

The next two workshops will be on:

Weds 14th June: Decoding - how children learn to read the words

Weds 5th July: Comprehension - helping your child understand the text

Please email sue.rees@bristol-schools.uk if you would like to come along.

Charity cake sale

Thank you to everyone who made, bought and ate cakes at yesterday's sale. Over £200 was raised for the Down Syndrome charity which is much appreciated.

PGL camp payments – Year 6

Thank you to everyone who has either paid in full or is up to date with all their instalments.

The final payment of £55.50 is due today please.



Bear in a Bag – appeal for school fair

Do you have any soft toys or teddy bears that could be re-homed whilst also raising money for the school at this year's summer fair?

If so please bring them to the school gates on Monday 12th June at 9am.

Last year we sold out at the fair in 30 minutes – a popular stall that managed to raise enough to fund books for your children this year. Imagine what we could fund if we had enough to sell for the duration of the fair...!

Each bear/ soft toy will be placed in its own bag at the fair, with a tag for the new owner to name it with and sold for £1.

Half term is a perfect opportunity to sort through that mountain of teddies and raise money for the school. Thank you!

NEW - Wildflower meadow

Children in years Reception to year 2 have been planting a wildflower meadow today on the bank at the end of the school staff car park.

Please respect this area and do not allow children to climb on it or use it to sit on! Thank you.



Your PTFA needs you...!

The PTFA are looking for two parents/carers to take on the roles of Fundraising Event managers.

These roles would involve managing events during the year and working alongside PTFA committee members and class reps. This role would not be acting alone and will be very well supported. This role can also be managed from home and doesn't require regular meetings at the school during the day: event committee meetings are carried out during the evening.

We really need extra helpers to ensure that we can continue to organise great events and therefore boost much needed funds for our school.

If you are interested and would like to know more please contact Sophie Kidd – sophie.kidd3007@gmail.com

KidZone Playscheme for May half term



KidZone Playscheme will be running during May half term. KidZone has access to St Bon's resources including the outdoor multi use games area, school gym and Scrapstore PlayPod.

KidZone can offer your children an inclusive and safe place to play between the hours of 8:30am and 5:45pm. Fresh fruit and vegetables, pittas, dips and bread sticks are served daily and children are encouraged to take part in a variety of cooking and craft activities on offer throughout the day. On any given day children will be building dens, playing football, painting, reading, climbing about, running around or engrossed in role play.

Opening

Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd May

(not including Bank Holiday Monday 29th May)

Open to all children, not just those who attend St Bon's.

Please note the Playscheme will not be open on Inset day Monday 5th June

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

Bookings

Can be made online, in club or via the school office.

Jungle Book DVD

DVDs are now waiting to be collected from the school office. Please sign out your copy.

Bristol Parent Carers Participation Event 2017

Design the Help You Need!

On 13th June, parent / carers and professionals are invited to come together to help design services and improve support for your child (0-25) with special educational needs / disabilities.

There will be two sessions (10:00 – 14:30) or (18:00 – 21:00) with the same content, so you can choose which is best for you. Booking is required.

Details at: <https://www.bristolparentcarers.org.uk/index.php/what-we-do/participation-events>

Lottery winners for February and March 2017

Please come and collect your winnings from the school office! Sums above £5 will be paid by cheque – as we need two signatories, these will be ready after Wednesday next week.

March 17	
£10.00	Monica Warnock
£5.00	Penny Crook Jones
£5.00	Fi Grace
£5.00	Carolyn Morris
£5.00	Geraldine Summers

Feb 17	
£25.00	Alex Casley
£5.00	Alex Casley
£5.00	Robert Banim
£5.00	Anjali Michael
£5.00	Sarah Bushell

SPORTS

Team football and basketball

Team football is now finished for this academic year.

Basketball for year 6 only will start on Wednesdays the second week back after half term.

Street dance club

We are hoping to run a KS1 club on Fridays and KS2 club on Wednesdays after school 3.30-4.30pm. However, both clubs need at least 12 children to be financially viable.

All those who are interested please fill out a club permission slip (available in the office) and hand it to Mrs McGrath. There will be a small charge for these classes.

Early morning yoga

This club will resume after half term on Mondays 7.50am – 8.30am. Please see Mrs McGrath if you are interested.

Health and Fitness week

We are looking for any parents, carers or friends who would like to run an activity during health and fitness week (17th – 21st July). If you have a skill or talent or if you just want to help and get involved, please contact Mrs McGrath.

KS2 School swimming gala

This will be on Wednesday 19th July from 9am to 12. We will be asking for parents and carers to help with the event including walking to the pool and on poolside. So please keep an eye out for further information nearer the time.

Cricket

Cricket on Thursdays – this afterschool club will continue next term. Please check the website to book your place www.shinesportscoaching.com

Hockey

Friday hockey afterschool club will be for Years 3 and 4 next term. Letters have been sent home today. Spare letters are available in the school office.

Free tennis coaching

We have been offered an opportunity for years 4,5, and 6 to have free tennis coaching at Colston's school on Tuesday 6th June 1.45pm – 2.45pm. If you are interested please email Mrs McGrath at kate.mcgrath@bristol-schools.uk

COMMUNITY SECTION

- **Would you and your family like to take 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 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!

0117 970 7661

Or e-mail: eatwell@rdftelevision.com

www.facebook.com/EatWellForLess

Twitter: @EatWellForLess

- Cooking It is a local cookery school offering classes and parties for children
Visit www.cookingit.co.uk

- **HOST FAMILIES WANTED... URGENTLY!**

...for Spanish and French students on a summer course at Red Maids' School from 9 to 30 July 2017.

If you would like to find out about our programme and rates, please contact Annelise ASAP:

Tel.: 0117 230 5565

email: annelise@besmartlanguages.com

- **Cycle Sunday on the Downs is back on July 16th. Save the date!**

Come and join us from 10:00 am, on Sunday July 16th for a morning of freewheeling fun. Enjoy a beautiful, traffic-free route of over 3km around Circular Road, make a pedal powered smoothie, and bring your bike to our Dr Bike team for free onsite maintenance. The event is organised again this year by Sustrans.

Over 5,000 people have participated in our events over the past two years. Help us continue to demonstrate the need for cycle paths up on the Downs. We want you and your families to be able to cycle there any day of the year!

For more information about the event, go to our website www.cyclesunday.net where there are also links to Cycle Sunday on Facebook and Twitter.

- Car boot and wheelbarrow sales to raise money for the small business development will be held on Sat 15th July 2.00 - 4.00pm in St Bon's car park.

It costs just £5 for cars and £3 for wheelbarrows to have a pitch - you keep all the takings!

We will be serving drinks and cakes.

Helpers will be needed as well as donations of cakes. Please contact Mary Moore

mcmoore@blueyonder.co.uk 07929 399907. Veronica Swann veronica.swann@hotmail.co.uk or

Hilary Farey hilary@farey.org for a car/barrow or to offer help.

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 activities

YEARS 1 and 2

FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Mondays Years 1 and 2: 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit www.premiersport.org or call Lee on 07917 18 7771.	Mondays Yrs 1-2
GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics: Yr 2 Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm Please contact Victoria Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Tuesdays Yr 2
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in the Music/Languages Room. Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm – children are collected from their classrooms by Maria. For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.	Tuesdays Yrs 1 and 2

YEARS 3-6

BASKETBALL Mr Morgan: This club will start after half term (week 2) and is for Year 6 only.	Wednesdays Yr 6
CRICKET CLUB Shine Sports Coaching: Thursdays 3.30 – 4.30pm.	Thursdays
DANCE CLUB Rise Wednesdays KS1 3.30-4.30pm Fridays KS2 3.30-4.30pm If you would like your child to take part please fill out a club permission slip.	Fridays and Wednesdays TBC
FOOTBALL Premier Sport: Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm To book please visit www.premiersport.org or call Lee on 07917 18 7771.	Tuesdays
GYMNASTICS Bristol School of Gymnastics: Yrs 5-6 Thursdays 3.15 – 4.15pm Please contact Victoria Ashworth at BSG on 942 9620 for further information.	Thursdays Yr 5-6
HOCKEY Laura Coombs: New hockey club for years 5 and 6 ONLY: Fridays 3.30 – 4.30pm.	Fridays Yr 5-6
ITALIAN CLUB Maria Maniglia: Held in the Music/Languages Room For years 3, 4, 5 and 6 - Mondays 3.15 - 4.15pm - children walk from their classrooms. For more info please contact Maria on 07900 842621.	Mondays
KNITTING CLUB Mrs Andrews & Mrs Fox: Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15pm in 3W classroom. This club is NOW FULL . Please fill out a club permission slip to be added to the waiting list.	Tuesdays
NETBALL Mrs McGrath: 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 Yr 3-4 & Thursdays Yr 5-6
TEAM FOOTBALL Mr Morgan: Team football training has now finished for this academic year.	FINISHED

EARLY MORNING CLUBS

RUNNING CLUB Mrs McGrath: Wednesdays at 7.50am. All abilities welcome including parents.	Wednesdays 7.50am
CIRCUITS CLUB Ms Wynn: 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

LUNCH TIME CLUBS

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 1-6 - Tuesday lunchtimes 12.15 - 12.45 in 3W classroom. New members welcome!	Tuesdays Yr 1-6
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 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!	Thursdays Yr 5-6
DIGITAL LEADERS' CLUB: For year 6 pupils – Thursdays 12.15-1.00 in 1H classroom.	Thursdays Yr 6 only
ORCHESTRA Mr Khanna: Fridays 12.30pm. New members are very welcome, please contact Mr Khanna max.khanna@bristol-schools.uk for more info if your child is interested.	Fridays All ages

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.