



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a great half term. We've had a busy start to term 4 this week.

*In this season of new life  
With the sights of buds and the smell of grass  
With the sound of the birdsong and warming spring sun  
With the promise of Easter  
God of springtime, your spirit brings your world alive  
Make us alive again to all that is good in your amazing creation  
Amen.*



Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraiser on 14th February organised by our pupil language ambassadors to raise money to purchase dual language books for our classrooms. We raised £262.32. Our language ambassadors are looking forward to purchasing the new books. We'll let you know as soon as we have ordered them!

Thank you for everyone's amazing efforts today for Funk Hair Day, everyone looked fantastic. We raised £238.47. for CAFFOD.

We are delighted with the installation of our greenhouse funded by our PTFA. It has come at the perfect time and we cannot wait to start using it. With the summer term ahead of us it is going to be very well used! Thank you everyone for your support with the PTFAs fundraising events- this purchase wouldn't be possible without your support.



### **Window Wanderland**

It is not too late to sign up your home to take part in Bishopston's Window Wanderland, hosted by St Bons. [www.windowwanderland.com/event/bishopston-bristol-2025](http://www.windowwanderland.com/event/bishopston-bristol-2025)

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the launch evening which takes place 6-7pm on Saturday 8th March on St Bons playground. There will be entertainment from the drama cast who will be singing a couple of their songs and refreshments available to buy provided by our PTFA. All money raised on the evening will be used to purchase new books for our children's classrooms.

### **Dates for the term ahead:**

- Monday 3rd March children in St David's house can wear yellow to celebrate St David's day.
- Wednesday 5th March Ash Wednesday Mass in church for KS2 pupils
- Thursday 6th March World book day come to school dressed as your favourite author or character from a book. Weather permitting, we will be parading on the playground at 9am, parents/carers are welcome to stay and watch.
- Friday 7th March 9-10am SEND parent/carer support group
- Saturday 8th March 6-7pm Window Wanderland St Bons playground
- Wednesday 2nd April Passiontide Mass 9.15am in St Bons church
- Thursday 3rd April Easter Festival all day
- Friday 4th April inset day- school closed for pupils

Best,  
Sarah Ballantine  
Principal  
St Bonaventure's Catholic Primary



## UP COMING DATES:

### Week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> March (Menu week 3)

Year 6 assessment week all week

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> - St David's House wear yellow

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> - Reception height/weight checks  
- Year 4 swimming

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> - Ash Wednesday Mass - KS2 service in church at 9:15 parents welcome. KS1 service in hall (children only)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> - World book day - dress a book character  
- Year 3 Bristol museum trip  
- Cake sale afterschool

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 Cake sale  
- SEND parent/carer group meeting 9:00-10:00

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> - Window Wanderland launch 6:00 - 7:30

Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> March

KS1 & KS2 assessment week

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> - Year 4 swimming

- Rosa's Big Cut sale - Little princess Trust

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> - Wonderlicious chocolate bar event

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> - 4L Class assembly 10:00 - 10:30

- Wonderlicious chocolate bar event

Dates  
for your



The girls played beautifully yesterday in the Badminton School U10s netball festival - played 7 matches, won 6 and drew 1. All the players took turns playing different positions and they all thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon.



EAL (English as an additional language) Coffee mornings.  
Every Wednesday 9:00-10:00 Please come along to the office and sign in.

If English is not your first language, please come along and join us for our weekly EAL coffee mornings.

All parents and carers are very welcome. This is a great chance to meet other parents, ask questions and be part of your child's learning. Feel involved in the school life and up to date with what's going on in a relaxed and friendly environment.

The group is run By Mrs Cela- if you would like more information, please email her at [Esmeralda.cela@bristol-schools.uk](mailto:Esmeralda.cela@bristol-schools.uk)



# Sports and clubs at St Bons

**Sport and club's - week starting 3<sup>rd</sup> March**



**Please fill out a club permission slip from the office to register your child to a club.**

*If your child is signed up for a club but won't be attending at any point please let the office know.*

Club...	Is it running...	Day and year group...
Netball	<b>No</b> Yes	<del>Monday - year 3&amp;4</del> Year 4 tournament off site Tuesday - year 5&6
Hockey	Yes	Friday- Year 5&6 - 3:20 - 4:30 Paid club Booked through Mrs Hinkins
Gymnastics	Yes	Tuesday 3:20 - 4:20 Year 3 & 4 This club is full and running a waiting list
Circuits	Yes	Thursdays - Y's 2-6 - 8:00am in hall with Mr Morgan
Drama	Yes Yes	Monday 3:20-5:30 All Cast A Thursday 3:20- 5:30 All Cast B
Running club	Yes	Wednesday - 7.45am - all welcome - meet outside foyer.
Dodgeball	<b>No</b>	<del>Friday - Year 4 &amp; 5 - 8:00-8:30</del> Not running this week
Football	Yes	Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:30 Yr 5&6 - boys practice
Rugby	Yes	Thursday - 8:00 - 8:30 year 5 & 6
Chess		Friday Year 5&6 - lunchtime.
Choir	YES	Mondays 12:15- during lunch break



## **Running & Walking Club**

Do you want to get fit and have fun at the same time?!

Wednesday mornings at 7:50

*Meet outside the office foyer*

*Children and adults welcome*

*For runners and walkers of all abilities*



**Spring Refresh:** Spring is nearly here, and it's the perfect time to press 'reset' on your mind, body, and soul. So why not book a ticket to Spring Refresh, a women's wellness event on Friday 28 March from 7 to 10pm? We've invited the experts in to share some top tips on topics such as self-care, and decluttering. There will also be an opportunity to refresh your wardrobe, and indulge in some well-deserved pampering!

Spots for this event are limited, so [buy your tickets](#) before they're gone. Tickets are £10 each, or buy two tickets for £18 (it's Mother's Day a few days after this event so it might be the perfect gift for someone!). Read more about the event in this [blog](#).

**Wonderlicious chocolate bar sales:** This year's school play is Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. To celebrate, we're selling our very own 'Wonderlicious'\* chocolate bars on **Thursday 13 and Friday 14 March** from 3.20pm on the playground. Hidden inside some bars are golden tickets with prizes for the lucky winners. We'll be catering for some other dietary requirements too. More details will be shared very soon!  
 (\*another version of the trademarked 'Wonka bars'!)



**PTFA meeting:** Our next PTFA meeting will be at **8pm on Thursday 6 March** online. A meeting link will be circulated nearer the time. We'll be discussing our upcoming events, and starting to plan the summer fair, so if you'd like to get involved, please do come along - all are welcome.

**Dates for your diary:** We've got some great [events](#) lined up for the rest of this school year.

- ✚ **Bake sales:** Next up is Year 5 on Friday 7 March.
- ✚ **Window Wonderland refreshments:** Sat 8 March.
- ✚ **Wonderlicious chocolate 'Win a golden ticket' event:** 13 and 14 March.
- ✚ **Spring Refresh:** Friday 28 March, 7-10pm
- ✚ **Quiz night:** Friday 25 April
- ✚ **Discos:** Friday 16 May
- ✚ **Frozen Fridays:** May to July
- ✚ **Summer Fair:** Sunday 22 June, 2-5pm
- ✚ **Sports Day refreshments:** 8 and 9 July.



## COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The first few glimmers of Spring sunshine have been peeping through the clouds this week, bringing the hope of warmer and longer days to come. It's a bit like the hope you, our brilliant donators, bring to the families who rely on the food pantry to help them through the lean times.

Helping out is so easy - just take a look at the list below of food and toiletry items we really need and chuck a couple in your trolley next time you're doing your weekly shop.

For those in need, the Pantry is open between 8am - 5pm every day except Monday.

### **Please donate:**

Pasta sauces  
Curry sauces  
Coffee  
Tinned soups  
Tinned peas  
Washing up liquid  
Shampoo

### **Please DO NOT donate:**

Fresh food (we can't safely store it and it will go to waste)

Where do I leave food donations?

Please put food donations either in the clear box labelled "Community Food Pantry Donation Box" at the back of the church or in the box outside the front door of the Presbytery.

How do I donate money?

There is a "Food Pantry" button on the Donation Point inside the church if you would like to make monetary donations by card. Or you can give cash to Mgr. Massey or put it in an envelope through Trish's door at 55 Egerton Road.

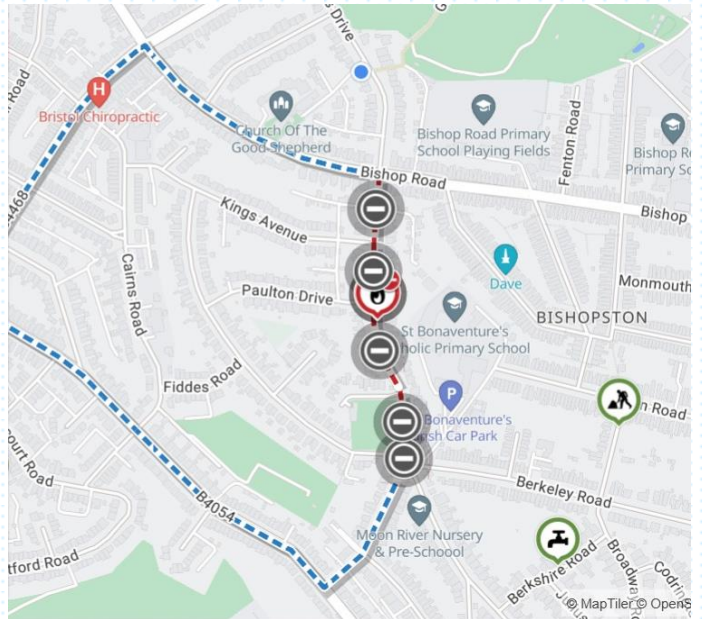
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Thank you to everyone who donated clothes for our collection for the Julian Trust night shelter. They were delivered today and will be put to good use!



## Community News

The lower part of Kings Drive from the Bishop Road roundabout to the tennis courts is going to be shut in sections from 3<sup>rd</sup> March to 14<sup>th</sup> May.



**CHARITY CAKE SALE**  
in aid of  
**designability**

**£1 per cake**  
**Cash only**

**Thursday 6th March**

Providing fun, powered wheelchairs for young children who have difficulty walking.

The advertisement features a vertical strip of images on the left: a young girl in a red powered wheelchair, a close-up of several colorful swirl cakes, and another young child in a red powered wheelchair. The background is orange with white circular text boxes.

Hi, my name is Freya. I am 14 and am an old St Bons pupil. I'm currently at Badminton school and am looking for babysitting work. I live locally. I am just about to start volunteering at the St Bons Brownies as part of my Bronze DoF. If you are interested please text or call my mum, Sarah, on: [07766366569](tel:07766366569)