



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear parents and carers,

*In this season of hope,  
Through short days and long nights  
In wind, rain and wet plays  
Lord, we have so much to look forward to.  
Help us remember those who have very little.  
Amen.*

### **Parents evening**

We are in the process of finalising our parents' evening arrangements. If your child has a support plan or an EHCP you will have a meeting outside of parents evening to discuss your child's progress. Please do not book an additional parents evening appointment.

If your child's class teacher has not contacted you to arrange this please see them at the end of the day or email them to arrange this review meeting which will need to take place this term.

### **Uniform**

Please can I remind all parents/carers to label their child's school clothes with a sharpie pen. We have so much lost property, the majority of it unnamed. Any uniform that is named will be returned to its owner.

With the weather set to be cooler please can I ask that you send your child/ren to school with a named coat appropriate for the weather. We do try to make sure we get outside even on rainy days.

Thank you to the parents and carers who came to 3H's class assembly this morning, and well done to 3H who did a lovely assembly about friendship.

### **Dates for your diary:**

- Friday 18th October 9-10am parent/carer School Improvement plan session with head teacher; 10am 6WA class assembly; 5.00-6.15 EYFS/KS1 disco; 6.45-8.00 KS2 disco.
- Thursday 24th October last day of term 1 for pupils.
- Friday 25th October inset day- school closed to pupils.
- Monday 4th November first day of term 2.

Best,  
Sarah Ballantine  
Head teacher



# Celebrating Catholic Life at St. Bonaventure's!

## Monday Ethos Assembly

This week, we continued our journey towards a more peaceful school environment. During our ethos assembly, we shared the poem written by 6D, which captured the essence of peace in our school. We also reflected on the Sermon on the Mount, reminding ourselves of the importance of humility, peace, and considering others.

## Headteacher's Assembly

Mrs Ballantine continued the theme of peace and love in her assembly on Tuesday. She emphasized the significance of showing kindness and compassion to one another and discussed practical ways to promote peace within our school community.

## Wednesday Assembly

Inspired by the Mark 10 mission Rosary Challenge from Lourdes, we dedicated this week's assembly to Mary. Our prayer spaces and class reflection areas have been transformed to honour her, and the children are encouraged to seek Mary's intercession in their prayers.

## Celebration of the Word

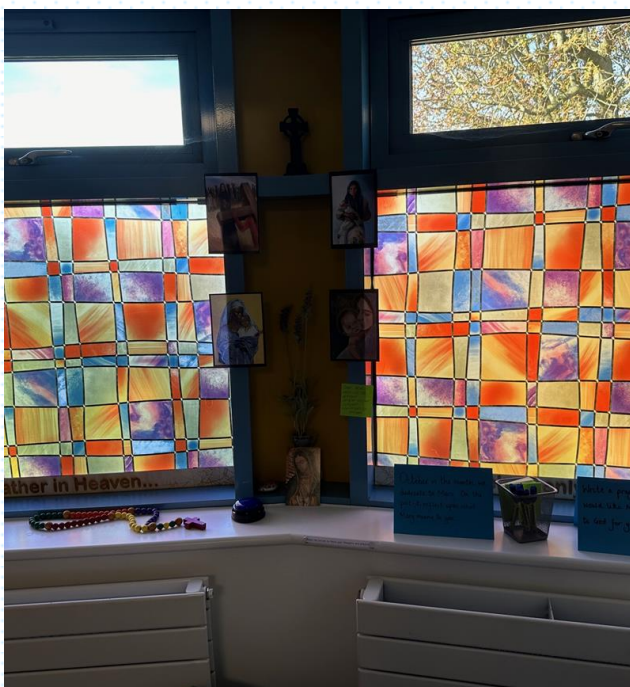
In our Key Stage 1 Celebration of the Word, we explored the concept of openness. We discussed how we can be receptive to God's presence in our lives and created a space for quiet reflection during the assembly where the children welcomed Jesus into their hearts

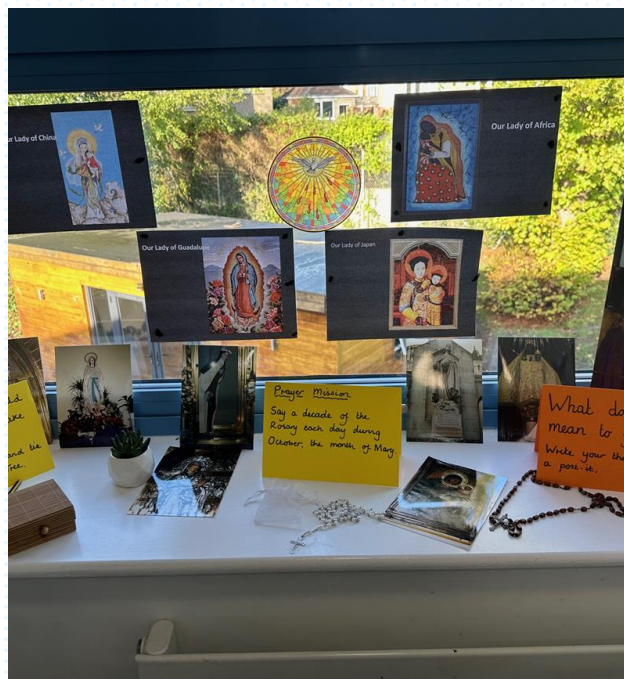
For Key Stage 2, the focus was on Jesus' teaching about welcoming those who do good in His name. We examined the emotion of jealousy and explored how it can be transformed into positive actions.

## 3H Class Assembly

On Friday, 3H delivered a powerful assembly about showing love for our neighbours, both within our school and beyond. They reminded us of the most important commandment: to love one another.

As we continue our school year, let us strive to embody the values of peace, love, and reflection in our daily lives. Together, we can create a more harmonious and compassionate community.





#### UP COMING DATES:

#### Week beginning Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October (menu week 3)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Bikability level 1

- Year 6 STEM workshop

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Bikability level 1

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> – Year 3&4 sports hall athletics

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Bag2School

Year 5 & 6 hockey match v Westbury park

Week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Year 5&6 netball home match v Stoke Bishop

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – individual/sibling photos.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> - 6WA class assembly

- Parent/carer SIP session
- KS1 & KS2 Disco

Dates  
for your



# Sports and clubs at St BONS

Sport and club's - week starting 14<sup>th</sup> October



**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	YES YES	Mondays- Yr 3&4 - 3:20 - 4:30 Tuesdays – Yr 5&6 3:20 – 4:30
Hockey	YES	Fridays- Y5 & 6 - 3:20 – 4:30 Paid club Booked through Mrs Hinkins
Circuits	<b>TBC</b>	<del>Thursdays – Y's 2-6 – 8:00am in hall with Mr Morgan</del>
Drama	YES	<b>Thursday</b> 3:20- 4:30- auditions
Running club	YES	Wednesdays – 7.45am – all welcome – meet outside foyer
Bench ball	YES	Fridays – yr4 &5 – 8:00-8:30 contact office for availability
Football	<b>TBC</b>	<del>Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30 – Yr 5 &amp; 6</del>
Chess Lunch break	<b>NO</b>	Year 5&6 – lunchtimes in music room - Fortnightly
Rugby	<b>NO</b>	Starting in term 2 for yr. 5 & 6

Y5/6 hockey fixture v Westbury Park: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October, on the MUGA during the usual hockey club time. All those who attend the club will be involved. Finishes by 4.30pm as normal.



## **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*



Congratulation to our amazing netball team who took part in a tournament this week at Collegiate school, they played as two teams and came 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place!

ST BON'S PTFA

**ST BON'S SCHOOL**

**DISCO**

RECEPTION / KS1 DISCO: 5PM TO 6.15PM  
KS2 DISCO: 6.45PM TO 8PM

BUY TICKETS NOW AT:  
[WWW.STBONSPFTA.COM](http://WWW.STBONSPFTA.COM)

**FRIDAY**  
**18 OCT**

## Disco tickets and Bag2school

Just a reminder that tickets for the school disco on Friday 18 October are available [via our website](#) until **9pm on Sunday 6 October**.

**Ready for a [declutter](#)**? It's Bag2School on Friday 11 October. Simply fill bags with used, good quality clothes, paired shoes, handbags, hats, bags, scarves and ties, household linen etc and bring to school drop off, labelled with your child's class. Visit the [Bag2School website](#) for more information on what can be donated.



**Christmas craft evening:** Grown ups this one's for you. Join us for a relaxing Christmas Craft Evening on Friday 15 November, hosted by [Art-K Henleaze](#)! Enjoy a festive night of creativity as you make your own decorations, and gifts. There will be drinks and nibbles served, a bar, live music, and plenty of laughter. If you would like to volunteer to help organise this event, please get in touch.

**Game, set match:** Matched funding is easy to claim and can often double our fundraising overnight. If you work for a company that offers it, we would love to hear from you. Read more in our [our blog](#).

**Pre-loved uniform:** The shed is open all day, Monday to Friday, so feel free to pop in whenever you can. We are particularly in need of jumpers, cardigans and shoes to keep the shed fully stocked. Please bring any donations to the school office - many thanks. [Take the shed tour now!](#)

**Dates for your diary** ([Read our blog](#) for all the dates and details! Also see our [Instagram reel](#))

- ✚ **Pre-loved uniform shed:** Open all day, Monday to Friday, so feel free to pop in whenever you can!
- ✚ **Bag2School:** Friday 11 October, at school drop off
- ✚ **PTFA meeting:** Wednesday 16 October, 8pm online.
- ✚ **School discos:** Friday 18 October. The Reception/KS1 disco will be from 5pm to 6.15pm, and the KS2 disco from 6.45pm to 8pm.
- ✚ **Gardening:** Saturday 19 October, 9-11am
- ✚ **Christmas Craft Evening hosted by Art-K Henleaze:** Friday 15 November (read [PTFA blog](#) for more details)
- ✚ **Christmas Fair:** Sunday 8 December, from 2-5pm

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

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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)



# TERM I CWS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS



## MONDAY

**FOOTBALL CLUB**  
**3.30PM - 4.30PM**  
**RECEPTION/Y1/Y2**  
**£28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE**

## TUESDAY

**FOOTBALL CLUB**  
**3.30PM - 4.30PM**  
**Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6**  
**£28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE**

## WEDNESDAY

**MULTI SPORTS**  
**3.30PM - 4.30PM**  
**RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6**  
**£28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE**

## THURSDAY

**GIRLS ONLY SPORTS**  
**3.30PM - 4.30PM**  
**RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6**  
**£28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE**

## THURSDAY

**CRICKET FOR ALL**  
**3.30PM - 4.30PM**  
**RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6**  
**£28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE**

**CLUB WILL START BACK MONDAY  
9TH SEPTEMBER**

**BOOKINGS WILL OPEN ONLINE ON  
MONDAY 2ND SEPT**

**TO BOOK PLEASE GO TO -  
[WWW.CWSOPHIE.CO.UK](http://WWW.CWSOPHIE.CO.UK)**

**GIVE OUR SOCIALS A LITTLE  
FOLLOW KEEP UP TO DATE WITH  
ALL OUR HOLIDAY CLUBS,  
BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND ALL THE  
OTHER FUN WE HAVE GOING ON**

**PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE TWO  
CLUBS ON A THURSDAY!! GIRLS  
ONLY AND CRICKET THESE ARE  
TWO DIFFERENT CLUBS RUNNING  
ON THE SAME DAY**



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## **COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY UPDATE**

It's a dreary September and many of us are back to the old routine after the Summer holidays. Speaking of routines, don't forget to regularly pop a couple of bits into your shopping basket to donate to the Pantry. We really appreciate any and all food items you give, and - as a certain supermarket says - every little helps! Take a look at the list of most-needed items below. You can drop off any food donations in the post box outside the Presbytery door or in the clear plastic box at the back of the church.

And just a quick reminder that the Pantry is open for donations or collections between 8am - 5pm every day, except Monday.

### **Please donate:**

Longlife milk (dairy)

Longlife milk (soya)

Tinned tuna

Tinned fish

Tinned fruit

Toilet paper

### **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.



## Community News

**Education Mass:** Bishop Bosco will be celebrating Mass for all those involved in any way in Catholic education, at Clifton Cathedral, on Thursday **21 November at 6.00pm**. This is an annual Mass, bringing all our school community members together as a diocesan family to celebrate Catholic education. This year's choir will be St Peter's High School, Gloucester. The Mass offers an opportunity for all those connected with Catholic education, teachers, staff, governors, pupils and parents, in Clifton Diocese to renew their commitment to Catholic education. Light Refreshments will be available.

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Next week is **Dyslexia Awareness Week** in England and Wales.  
(7<sup>th</sup>- 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024)

Organised by the British Dyslexia Association (BDA), the aim to raise awareness and understanding of dyslexia.

The BDA are providing lots of **free** online resources, guidebooks, webinars, click here to see more:

<https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/support-us/awareness-events>

Nessy are also offering **free** copies of their books and other resources in the month of October (International dyslexia awareness month).

Click here to see more:

<https://www.nessy.com/en-gb/free-resources/dyslexia-awareness-month-2024>