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PRIMARY SCHOOL

ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC

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Friday 27th September 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Dear God.

You created the whole universe, yet You care for us, even the smallest of us.

Please bless all those children who have joined our school at the start of this new school year.

Help them to learn many things and especially to learn about You.

Amen.



Our new Reception children have had a great start to school life. We're incredibly proud of how quickly they have settled in.

Despite the showers we have managed to enjoy the sunshine this week. We've been enjoying using our reading area funded last year by our PTFA.



We are looking for donations of small world toys (toy vehicles, dinosaurs, animals) to use at playtimes. If you have any donations please can you hand them in to the school office. Thank you in advance.

#### **Attendance support**

I want to draw your attention to the information I shared about lateness in my letter to all parents/carers yesterday:

If your child arrives late to school, arriving after 9.10 a.m. after the school register closes they will be marked as late and this will be marked as an unauthorised absence. 5 days of unauthorised absence in any rolling period of 10 school weeks could lead to a penalty notice fine.

I would like to thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child/children arrive to school on time. I will be contacting parents/carers of children who have arrived after the register closes to see if there is anything we the school can do to support you.

Best, Sarah Ballantine Head teacher

#### **UP COMING DATES:**

Week beginning Monday 30th September (menu week 2)

Tuesday 1st Oct-Bikability level 2 yr5&6

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 4&5 netball tournament @ Collegiate

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Year 6 swimming

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bikability level 2 yr5&6

- Year 6 health and weight checks

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> - 3H Class assembly 10:00-10:30

Week beginning Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October

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

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

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Bag2School



#### Afterschool club

We would like to remind parents/carers to check they have booked their required sessions for afterschool club, some days in particular are very busy and can fill up a term in advance. If you forget to book and that session is full, we will always to try accommodate if there has been any cancellations but if we are at capacity we will ask that you collect your child.

## Celebrating Catholic Life at St. Bonaventure's!

Following on from last week's celebration of International Day of Peace, we continued to explore the theme of peace at our school. Children in each class led reflections on peace, and their prayers and decorated doves were used to create a beautiful display in the entrance corridor. This display serves as a reminder that peace begins with us, and many children have visited to admire it and read the prayers.

During their class assembly today, Year 6 students shared their powerful poems about peace for our environment, peace in the world, and peace in our school. They also expressed their hopes for their generation, ending the assembly with John Lennon's "Imagine." As our oldest pupils, their prayers and hopes for a peaceful world where we can all live in harmony with each other and our environment were inspiring and powerful.









# Sports and clubs at St Bons

Sport and club's - week starting 30<sup>th</sup> September



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	Mondays- Y 3&4 - 3:20 - 4:30
	YES	Tuesdays- Year 6 practise only - 3:20 – 4:30
Hockey with Mrs	YES	Fridays- Y5 & 6 - 3:20 – 4:30
Hinkins		Paid club Booked through Mrs Hinkins- details attached.
Circuits	YES	Thursdays - Y's 2-6 – 8:00am in hall with Mr Morgan
Drama	YES	Thursday 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 club full- sign up to waiting list
Football	YES	Wednesdays 3:30 – 4:30 – Yr 5 & 6 girls training
Rugby	NO	Starting in term 2 for yr. 5 & 6
Chess Lunch break	NO	Starting term 2

Emma Hinkins runs Crossbow netball club on Saturdays for girls from year 3 upwards at Badminton school 9-10am. There is currently a waiting list to start next year and is filling up fast. If your child is interested joining next year place contact Emma Hinkins on emma\_hinkins@talk21.com





## **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

## It's disco time (well almost)!

Tickets for the school disco on Friday 18 October will be going on sale in the next few days. We'll send a message round via class reps with everything you need to know.

**Coffee morning:** It was lovely to see new parents and carers at the coffee morning earlier today, with some baked treats generously donated by Boston Tea Party.

**Bag2School:** We've booked a Bag2School collection for 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 <u>Bag2School website</u> 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 <u>Art-K Henleaze!</u> 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 <u>our blog</u>.

**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. Full details will be coming soon!
- **♣ Gardening:** Saturday 19 October, 9-11am
- Christmas Craft Evening hosted by Art-K Henleaze: Friday 15 November (read <u>PTFA blog</u> for more details)
- Christmas Fair: Sunday 8 December, from 2-5pm





#### MONDAY

FOOTBALL CLUB
3.30PM - 4.30PM
RECEPTION/Y1/Y2
£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**

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

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#### **TUESDAY**

F00TBALL CLUB
3.30PM - 4.30PM
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

CLUB WILL START BACK MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

BOOKINGS WILL OPEN ONLINE ON MONDAY 2ND SEPT

TO BOOK PLEASE GO TO - WWW.CWSOPHIE.CO.UK

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





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



#### **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.