



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

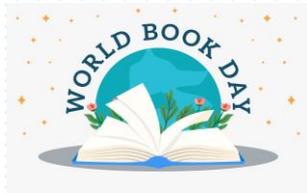
Dear parents and carers,

*Thank you for the gift of books. Thank you for the writers and illustrators  
who use their talents to create new worlds.*

*Thank you for all the stories, pictures and words  
that help our imaginations to grow.*

*Help us to use our imaginations for good –  
to dream big dreams, to create, solve problems  
and to see the world with wonder.*

*May the stories we share bring us joy  
and bring us closer together.*



It has been a wonderfully busy week and great to feel the sun shining on us. It feels like Spring has arrived! Thank you to the parents/carers who baked Welsh cakes for pupils in St David's house on Tuesday.

Thank you to everyone who supported our World Book Day celebrations on Thursday. It was great to see so many of our children dressed up. Thank you to the staff who arranged a range of book related activities this week and the parents/carers who volunteered to be mystery readers.



### **Parents evenings, Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

Further to the letter that was circulated earlier this week, parents evening appointments will be available for you to book from 6pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March. To book your appointment please visit:

<https://stbons.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

For further information please see the letter that was emailed earlier this week.

### **Dates for the month ahead:**

- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March School Improvement session 9-10am with Mrs Woolley
- Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 SATS mock exams.
- Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> March - Assessment week
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March- St Patricks Day- St Patricks house wear green.
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Peter Pan themed non uniform day - £1 donation for PTFA
- Drama production of Peter Pan:
  - ★ Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Cast A matinee performance - 3:30
  - ★ Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Cast B Matinee performance - 3:30
  - ★ Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Cast A evening performance 6:30
  - ★ Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Cast B evening performance 6:30
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March: EYFS Height and weight checks
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March:
  - ★ 9-10am SEND parent carer meeting. Bristol Parent Carers to facilitate the session. All parents/carers are welcome to attend.

★ Big Lent Walk

- Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March:
  - ★ End of term Mass 9.15am in St Bons church
  - ★ Parents evening
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April:
  - ★ Easter Festival
  - ★ Last day of term for pupils.
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Inset day school closed for pupils.
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April- First day of term 5

Best wishes  
Stephanie Woolley  
Deputy Principal

## Catholic Life at St Bons this week

### Walking with Jesus in the Desert

On Monday, our Year 6 Chaplains led a powerful Lenten reflection focused on the Gospel of Matthew (4:1-11). They spoke with great honesty about Jesus' time in the desert, linking His experience to the "desert moments" or difficult times they have faced in their own lives.

The Chaplains challenged each class to reflect on how they experience the presence of God during their own child-led reflections this week. Pupils have also been tasked with creating a class symbol or piece of art to represent God's presence, which they will bring to share at next week's assembly.

### Prayer Spaces

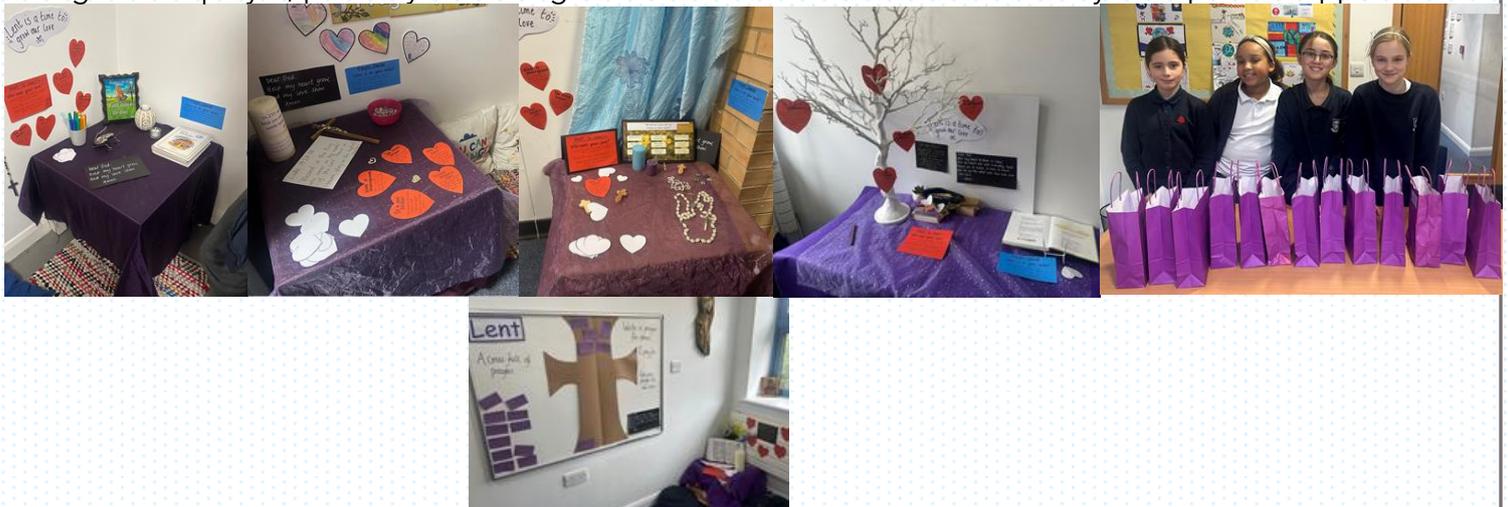
Our year group prayer areas have been updated for the season. These prayer spaces are encouraging the children to look outward—thinking of others through prayer and finding practical, loving ways to support those in need during Lent.

### Celebrating St. David

On Tuesday, our St. David's House Captains took the lead to celebrate the feast of their patron saint. They captivated us with stories and legends of St. David, reminding us how his simple message—*"Be joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things"*—remains a vital inspiration for us today. The celebration ended on a delicious note, with St. David's House members enjoying traditional Welsh cakes together.

### Compassion in the Chapel

We are incredibly proud of a new initiative started by two of our Year 6 Chaplains: a lunchtime club designed specifically for children who may feel overwhelmed or lonely during the break. The club saw its first participants this week, and the feedback has been really positive. In a lovely coincidence, the group met in the chapel just as the Rosary Group was gathering. The two groups joined together in prayer, perfectly illustrating our school's commitment to community and spiritual support.





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Mystery



Huge congratulations to the Year 6 dance team who represented St Bon's at the Great Big Dance Off on Monday. They performed in this inter-schools dance competition at the Wyvern Theatre in Swindon with their dance to 'Come Alive' from the Greatest Showman and placed 8th overall. Their commitment and team work shined through in a performance that was polished, energetic and loved by the crowd! Well done dance team!





KidZone will be running playscheme through out the Easter holidays, From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Join us for fun packed days with activities including baking, arts s & crafts, sports and lots more.

Sessions are now bookable on Arbor, short day 10:00-16:00 £26, long day 8:30-17:45 £35. If you would like to pay by childcare vouchers please make your payment and contact [cevans@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com](mailto:cevans@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com) to add credit to the account.

**Bookings will close on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March so please make sure you do not leave booking too late**

**\*\* Kidzone Contact Details \*\***

Please note, the Kidzone After School Club email address has recently changed to - [kidzone@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com](mailto:kidzone@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com)

They are also contactable via mobile - 07760181381, after 1:30pm.  
*If emailing about a same day booking you will not receive a response until after 1:30pm.*



Tickets for the drama production of Peter Pan will be available to buy on Arbor, through the school shop, from Monday at 10:00. Adult tickets £5, child tickets £2.50. This is a ticketless event, please give your name at the door.

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Cast members can also buy additional tickets from Monday. If there is a performance that is not showing on Arbor this means it has sold out, please do not buy child tickets instead of adult, tickets can be adjusted, please keep checking Arbor do not contact the school office.



On Monday the Y4 netball girls went to a netball festival at Clifton High. It was a chance for the girls to play against some new schools and they more than rose to the challenge. They won and drew most of their games and they played some fantastic netball. Well done girls!



Hello everyone

## Message of the Week - Grow with it update

The sun was out and the green fingers of the Grow with it team were hard at work last weekend prepping the garden for spring. The team gave the garden a good tidy up and even managed to put up garden-themed bunting in the greenhouse.



With more Grow with it activities planned, the garden will be giving our children a lot of joy come the warmer months - a huge thank you to the team of volunteers!

## PTFA activities

### Quiz night

Don't forget to buy your tickets for our quiz night:

**Date:** 20th March, 7PM-10PM

**Venue:** St Bona School Hall

**Cost:** £5 per person

**Max team size:** 6

Bar and snacks available.

Tickets available at [Lets Get Quizzical | St Bona PTFA](#)



## Peter Pan event - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March



Following the success of last year's Willy Wonka themed PTFA activity, we are running a **non-school uniform day on March 20<sup>th</sup>** with the theme being Peter Pan.

For a £1 donation, our children can get in the spirit of the school play by coming as any character from Peter Pan (think Peter, Wendy, the Lost Boys, Tinkerbell, Hook...).

We will also be running an activity challenge on the day where our children can solve a Peter Pan themed puzzle.

## PTFA management

### Meetings

The next meeting takes place on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Any questions you'd like to raise, please email [contact@stbonsptfa.com](mailto:contact@stbonsptfa.com). Alternatively, all are welcome to attend the meeting itself.

You can review the minutes from the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> February on the [PFTA website](#). Please do take the time to read and see what we get up to.

### Get in touch

We are still recruiting for a PTFA chair. Anyone who is interested in taking on this key committee role (or joining one of our project teams such as Grow With It, Summer Fair, Disco, please email us at [contact@stbonsptfa.com](mailto:contact@stbonsptfa.com), contact us through your class rep, or catch us in the playground.

### Dates for your diary

- **Peter Pan themed non-school uniform day and activity challenge** – 20<sup>th</sup> March
- **Quiz** – 20<sup>th</sup> March
- **Disco** – 15<sup>th</sup> May
- **Summer fair** – June (TBC)
- **PTFA AGM** – 9<sup>th</sup> June

With Many Thanks

Johanna Probert - Committee Member (Communications and Engagement)



### 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*

EAL (English as an additional language) Coffee mornings.

### Every Monday 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

### **School Governors**

Our school governors play a vital role in supporting the leadership, staff, and children by helping to shape the vision of the school, ensuring we continue to provide the best possible education and experience for every pupil. Meeting every term, they work closely with the school team offering guidance, challenge and encouragement and are always keen to listen to the views of our families and wider community. If you would like to get in touch with the governors, share feedback, or raise a question, you can contact them directly at [clerk@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com](mailto:clerk@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com).

### Community News

The School Immunisation team can offer the MMR vaccine to any school aged child who has not yet had 2 doses.

The MMR vaccine helps to protect your child against Measles, Mumps and Rubella and 2 doses are required for full protection [A guide to the MMR vaccination for all](#)

If you are unsure whether your child has had 2 doses please contact your GP or the School Immunisation team at [sirona.mmr@nhs.net](mailto:sirona.mmr@nhs.net)

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On 16 March at We The Curious, Bristol City Council will be joining Bristol Parent Carers for the annual SEND event.

The Education Psychology Team will be running a session from 12:30-1:45pm focused specifically on building confidence with maths.

The event is free to attend.

Families can book a free ticket here:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/bristolparentcarers/2013650>