



Friday 5th June 2026

Dear parents and carers,

*May everyone know what it is to hope,
As we bear witness to God's presence in our world.
May hope dwell in the heart of every person,
As together we dream of good things to come.
May we trust in the Spirit of hope,
Who help us to recognise the signs of the times,
And renews the face of the Earth.
This we ask through the Christ our Lord.*

It's been an incredibly busy week back. The 'Bug Man' paid a visit to Reception on Tuesday, they learnt how to identify different insects, bugs and minibeasts. The classes found out where bugs live, what they eat and how they survive. They got to ask lots of questions and some were brave enough to hold some of the bugs.



Our year 6 pupils have returned safely from their week-long camp. They have had a bit of a damp week at camp with glimpses of some sunshine. They have enjoyed a Moor adventure, big tree climb, archery, kayaking and an adventure assault course as well as lots of team building. Free time has been spent on swings, grass sledges and playing fields. The bad weather has not stopped them having a great time and they have enjoyed many rainbows.

Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children, we appreciate you giving up your free time and working 24/7 to spend a week with the children. We hope you all have a good rest this weekend!



SEND and You coffee morning- Wednesday 10th June 9am-10am

Apologies for short notice, we have secured a drop in coffee morning open to all parents on Wednesday 10th June 9-10am facilitated by Send and You. Send and You provide advice, support and information to families, for more information on what they offer please visit: <https://www.sendandyou.org.uk/>

Dr Doyle's run for Cancer Research

As a Trust group of schools, our joint fundraising project this year is in support of Cancer Research UK. This is a cause very close to our hearts, as a number of people within our Trust—including within our own school community here at St Bon's—have been deeply impacted by cancer this year. We are keeping all those affected in our thoughts and prayers.

To spearhead this effort, Dr Doyle is taking on an incredible challenge: running 100km across the Midlands over a single weekend with a group, aiming to raise £10,000 for the charity.

While we are leaving the 100km running to Dr Doyle, we want to do our part as a school to help reach that £10,000 target with something a little less strenuous!

On Thursday 25th June, we will be holding a special fundraising day in school:

- **Non-Uniform Day:** All children are invited to come to school in their own clothes in exchange for a donation to Cancer Research UK.
- **Year 6 Fiver Challenge:** On the same day, our Year 6 pupils will be generously donating all the profits from their 'Fiver Challenge' enterprise projects directly to the cause.

Football trading cards

Football trading cards are not to be brought into school due to the fallout we have experienced with trading. If children do bring football cards into school this term they will be confiscated and returned to parents at the end of the school day. Children have been made aware of this.

Reminder: Refugee Week & Our Day of Welcome

Here is a quick overview of what is happening and how your family can get involved:

Friday 12th June: Day of Welcome & Cultural Fair

- **During the school day:** Pupils are invited to come to school wearing clothing that represents their heritage, culture, or simply something that expresses who they are and where they belong.
- **After school:** The celebrations move into the playground for our Cultural Fair. It is a wonderful opportunity to share our diverse heritage and taste dishes from around the world.
- **Get involved:** If you would like to run a stall showcasing the food, culture, or traditions of your country, please contact the school office or Mrs Cela to let us know what you would like to set up.

Learning & Listening In the week following our Day of Welcome, children across all year groups will be exploring the realities of forced migration through age-appropriate stories and films.

- **We need your voices:** If you would be comfortable coming into school to speak to a class or share a story about your own family's journey, please do get in touch. Your first hand experiences are deeply valued and powerful for the children to hear.

Creative & Leadership Projects Over the next few weeks, the children are also taking part in several beautiful projects:

- **Art of Courage:** Pupils are producing artwork reflecting on the bravery it takes to start a new life.
- **Whole-School DT Project:** Classes are collaborating on a permanent, large-scale display designed to welcome everyone who walks through our doors.
- **Year 6 Welcome Packs:** As part of their legacy, our Year 6 leavers are creating special translated "Welcome Packs" to ensure every new family arriving at our school feels instantly at home.

We have another incredibly busy term ahead of us. Please do make a note of the key dates below.

Dates for the month ahead:

- Wednesday 10th June-
 - ❖ SEND and You coffee morning 9-10am facilitated by Mrs Ioshi Jones.
 - ❖ Year 5 pupils visit St Bedes in the morning.
- Friday 12th June -
 - ❖ 10am 2TP class assembly.
 - ❖ Day of Welcome- Wear clothes from your culture- bring a bottle.
- Saturday 13th June 3:30-6:30 St Bons summer fair.
- WB: 15th June Refugee week- please see information below for details.
- Wednesday 17th June - 6pm - New Reception parents' information evening.
- Thursday 18th June Run for H2O fundraiser.
- Friday 19th June:

- ❖ Year 6 Leavers Mass Clifton Cathedral
- ❖ 10am 2G class assembly.
- Wednesday 24th June- Class photographs, please wear summer uniform.
- Thursday 25th June:
 - ❖ Whole school non uniform day for Dr Doyle's Cancer Research run.
 - Year 6 Fiver challenge stalls after school.
- Friday 26th June 10am RH class assembly.
- Wednesday 1st July changeover morning for pupils in Reception to Year 5.
Changeover day for pupils in Year 6.
- Friday 3rd July 10am RJM class assembly.

Catholic Life at St Bons this week:

Guided by the Light of Christ

We began our week on Monday with our Ethos Assembly, reflecting on our school mission statement: *"Striving to be the best we can, guided by the light of Christ."* We discussed exactly what this means for our daily classroom routines, particularly as we focus on our target behaviours for Term 6. The children have been working incredibly hard to put these target behaviours into practice:

- Be kind: Help everyone to focus on their learning.
- Be respectful: Listen with our hearts and minds.
- Be ready: Always look after your books and present work neatly.
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During today's 'Walk the Walk' assembly, it was a joy to celebrate and recognise the children who have been outstanding role models of these behaviours in class, as well as those making a fantastic effort to improve.

Celebrating the Holy Trinity

A special thank you goes to Rocco, Kit, Florence, and Annabelle from 5B, who led our Chaplaincy assembly this week. They guided the school in a beautiful reflection on the Holy Trinity and God's immense love for us. The team even taught the children a new song with actions! They left everyone with a special mission for the week: to illustrate the Holy Trinity in their own unique way.

Celebration of the Word: Corpus Christi

In our Celebration of the Word this week, we focused on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, a time to remember and celebrate that Jesus comes to us at every Mass through his Most Holy Body and Blood. Listening to St John's Gospel (Chapter 6), we heard Jesus say, *"I am the living bread that came down from heaven."* We gathered our thoughts in prayer and concluded with the hymn, *'This Is My Body.'*

Faith in Action

We are always incredibly proud of the children who are eager to help others and make a positive difference in our school community. This week, a group of Year 3 boys have shown great initiative by organising a new lunchtime club for our younger children. They have been visiting classes to share their poster and confidently explain all the activities they have planned.

Looking Ahead: Day of Welcome

Next Friday is our **Day of Welcome!**

- Dress Code: We invite all children to come to school wearing clothes that make them feel a true sense of belonging.
- Cultural Fair: At the end of the school day, please join us on the playground for a Cultural Fair. This will be run by some of our families to celebrate and represent their cultures and countries.

- Fundraising: The fair will be raising money for the Aid Box Community, so please do come along, enjoy the celebrations, and bring a donation to support this local charity for refugees in our community.

A DAY OF WELCOME

Friday 12th June

Be proud of who you are!
Big or small, visible or personal – whatever helps you feel you belong, bring it along and celebrate together!

Make it your own!
There's no right or wrong choice, just pick what's meaningful to YOU!

You could wear...
A favourite sports kit or club uniform / Your school uniform or anything you feel comfortable in / Clothing from your culture, heritage, or religion / A flag or colours that represent something important to you / Something linked to a hobby or club

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
Lunchtime club 12:45 - 1:00 (Year 5 bell)

Games on the MUGA and playground (tag, ball games, football)

Meet Tom, Ewan, William and Giuseppe on the MUGA.



RUN FOR H₂O 2026



HELP ST BON'S BRING CLEAN WATER TO ETHIOPIA!



EVERY **£1** BECOMES **£1.50!**

THANKS TO 50% MATCH FUNDING!

Last year St Bon's children raised an incredible **£14,680** for the village of Uba Dama – amazing!

This year we're supporting Dega Birbir, a rural Ethiopian community of 3,420 people.

OUR GOAL
£15,000

THURSDAY 18TH JUNE

The children will run a collective marathon – **42.2KM = 211 LAPS** OF THE MUGA AND PLAYGROUND!



DISTANCE BY YEAR GROUP

RECEPTION & YEAR 1	0.7 KM	3½ LAPS
YEAR 2 & 3	0.9 KM	5 LAPS
YEAR 4	1.4 KM	7 LAPS
YEAR 5	1.7 KM	9 LAPS
YEAR 6	2.1 KM	11 LAPS

YOUR DONATION WILL CHANGE LIVES



£10 PROVIDES 10 METRES OF PIPE



£47 BRINGS CLEAN WATER TO 1 PERSON

THIS PROJECT IN DEGA BIRBIR INCLUDES:

- Digging a 4.1 km pipeline for the water to come to the village
- Constructing 8 water points throughout the village (including one at the local school)
- Providing water for a population of 3,420 people

- Training 120 farmers in new farming methods
- Teaching 300 women basic business skills so they can start a small business

DONATE ONLINE TODAY!

If you are a taxpayer, the government gives an extra 25% through Gift Aid to the amount you donate!



SCAN ME!

or visit: <https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/RunforH2O2026>



EVERY LAP COUNTS.



EVERY POUND HELPS.



EVERY DROP CHANGES LIVES.

All monies raised will go towards providing clean water for the community of Dega Birbir in Ethiopia.

Sponsorship money should be brought into school on the day of the event or the week after. Many thanks!



Thank you for supporting **St Bon's RUN FOR H₂O 2026!**



👤🏠🏠 *Uniform* 👤🏠🏠

If you have any uniform with the St Bons logo on (jumpers/t-shirts) for reception age children that you are looking to pass on please donate it to the PTFA by Friday 12th June in time for the new reception parents information evening.

Please give to the office labelled 'reception uniform'.

👤🏠🏠 *Thank you* 👤🏠🏠

Musical Mondays

From term 6 we will be hosting 'Musical Mondays' where pupils will have the chance to show case their music talents. We have 6 slots for any child who would like to take part on a Monday morning from 8.30am in the playground. If your child would the chance to take part please email school@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com and tell us your child's name, the instrument they play and to what standard, and the name of the parent who will stay to support them.

EAL (English as an additional language) Coffee mornings **Every Tuesday 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 community up to date with what's going on in a relaxed and friendly environment



Do you have any of the following craft supplies? If so we would love them for our whole school art project for refugee week. If you could bring to the office it would be much appreciated!

- 🎨 Ribbons
- 🎨 Colourful wool
- 🎨 Pipe cleaners
- 🎨 Green card - different tones
- 🎨 Embroidery threads

**We are an Allergy
Aware School.**



**NO DOGS
ALLOWED ON
SCHOOL
GROUNDS**

Chile
 Argentina
 Honduras
 Cuba
 Uruguay

Guinea Ecu
 Peru
 Mexico
 Ecuador

Paraguay
 El Salvador
 Bolivia
 Rep. Dominicana
 Venezuela
 Nicaragua
 Colombia

Come on Fridays
 (second half of week)

To learn Spanish

- What do you do?
- colour words in spanish
 - listen to a spanish book
 - Do word search in spanish
 - learn spanish words

led by : Isabella, Isabel and Mrs Cella

Hello everyone

Message of the Week - Summer Fair **NEXT WEEKEND** (Saturday 13th June, 3.30-6.30pm)

We're rapidly approaching the hotly-anticipated Summer Fair - be sure to **purchase your tickets** via the [PTFA website](#).

The team is busy preparing all the fun and games and we know you have all been busy gathering goodies for the coveted hampers - thank you!



REMINDER: Friday 12th that children can dress for their culture in exchange for a bottle for the fair raffle.

Many **thanks to all the volunteers** who have offered to man stalls so far. We still have slots available, so do something fantastic for the school and our children and help make this Summer Fair the best one yet.

PTFA activities **Summer activities**

We have a range of initiatives planned for the summer term. Details to follow after the Summer Fair.

AGM - new date

The new date for the AGM is **July 1st**, where we will be voting in roles for next school year:

- PTFA chair/Co-Chair
- Committee role
- Sub-groups such as summer/winter fair, disco, quiz, gardening
- Class rep

These events don't happen without your support and time donated by individuals - why not do something amazing for our school and volunteer for one of the positions.

Dates for your diary

- **Summer Fair** – 13th June, 3.30-6.30pm
- **PTFA AGM** – 1st July

PTFA management **Meetings**

You can [view the minutes](#) from the last PTFA meeting.

Get in touch

If you have any feedback or wish to join the PTFA, please email us at contact@stbonsptfa.com, contact us through your class rep, or catch us in the playground.

With Many Thanks
Johanna Probert - Committee Member (Communications and Engagement)

Community news

Become a Foundation Governor at St Bonaventure's

We're looking for Foundation Governors to join our school governing body—could that be you?

What is a Foundation Governor?

Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop to ensure the school stays true to its Catholic character and ethos. They work alongside other governors to support and challenge school leaders, helping to shape the strategic direction of the school while safeguarding its mission as part of the Catholic community.

What does the role involve?

- Attending around six governing body meetings per year, plus committee meetings
- Visiting the school a few times a year to see learning in action
- Taking on a link governor role in an area that matches your skills or interests
- Completing induction and some ongoing training

Who can apply?

To be a Foundation Governor, you must be Catholic but you don't need experience in education—we welcome people with varied skills and perspectives.

We're particularly keen to hear from anyone with experience in:

- Estates and facilities management
- Procurement
- Risk assessment
- HR or employment matters
- Fundraising

Interested?

We'd welcome an informal conversation to tell you more. Please contact our Clerk at Clerk@stbo.newmancatholictrust.com to find out more or express your interest.

Redland Green School is holding a number of Open Morning Tours from May to July for the parents of current Year 5 students. Each event will start promptly at 9.00am and will be finished at around 10.30am.

There will be a welcome talk followed by a tour of the school escorted by students. These tours are by appointment only. If you would like to find out about dates and book places on a tour, please visit our booking site [HERE](#).

National Bike Week 8th - 13th June

Next week is National Bike Week! There are many benefits to travelling actively including exercise, mental health, saving money and helping the environment!

If your child owns a bike, why not try cycling to school one day? If you live too close to or too far from school to cycle, why not try swapping one of your other local journeys for cycling?

Here are some helpful videos to help build confidence when cycling with children:

- If you're thinking about getting out on your bike but aren't confident about cycling on the road, see [How to cycle on the road with children | Cycling UK](#).
- Not sure where to start? For tips on how to start cycling see [Video: How to teach an adult to ride a bike | Cycling UK](#) and [Video: How to teach your child to ride a bike | Cycling UK](#)
- You could consider taking your children to the Bristol Cycling Centre, a great place for children to start learning [Bristol Cycling Centre - Better By Bike](#)

- For inspiration to start making a change, see [How to swap short car journeys for cycling | Cycling UK](#)

If your bike is in need of a check over, why not visit a free Dr Bike at SPARKS in Broadmead between 12-4pm on Saturday 6th June or Saturday 20st June? [Dr Bike - Free bike checks - Better By Bike](#)
Schools Active Travel, Bristol City Council



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