

St Nicholas Church School School Newsletter

12th January 2024

Newsletter 2 Term 3

Dear Parents and carers,

We've had a sporty week this week in school. After the big clear up of the flooded playground, we've got a shiny, clean surface for the children to run around on and they've been testing it out in their PE lessons. We had a visit from a PE leader from the Sports Partnership earlier in the week who took numerous classes for some extra skipping lessons. It was amazing to see which children had a bit of a hidden talent with the skipping rope and were happy to show off their skills to their classmates.

Staying on the theme of sport, this term we have teamed up with Bath Rugby who are going to be delivering a package of lessons for Yr5 & 6 girls to develop not only their rugby ability but also confidence and resilience in sport. On Wednesday, the girls had their first session and it was brilliant to see some of the quieter members of the class really come out of their shell and get stuck into all of the activities. Well done girls! Just make sure you watch out for Mrs Smith as she does like to get competitive on the sports field!

Congratulations to our award winners in the KS2 celebration assembly today. So many fantastic achievements and children making such good progress with their work. We can't wait to see what you do next!

Have a great weekend, Mr Low & Mrs Biss

After-School Sports Clubs

Football

There are still spaces available in Football Club. It is open to years 3,4,5 and 6.

Football takes place on Monday afternoons 3:30pm-4:30pm.

Sessions are £5 each, there are 4 sessions left this term which costs £20.

Please contact the office to book your child a space.

Basketball

Basketball Club will start on Friday 19th February. It is open to years 3,4,5 and 6.

Basketball Club will take place on Friday afternoons 3:00pm - 4:00pm.

Sessions are £5 each, there are 4 sessions left this term and 5 sessions in next term. Bookings will cover terms 3 and 4 and will cost £45.

Please contact the office to book your child a space.

Please note that we need 12 children to sign up for the club for it to be viable. If we don't have 12 children we will have to cancel the club and refunds will be available.

Feedback Friday

Feedback Friday also had a sporty theme this week. We asked you to, "Tell us about PE lessons at school." Feedback was very positive, with many people appreciating the sports coaches that come in to teach the children. We will continue to use coaches throughout the year to ensure the children get the best quality sports teaching possible. Yoga has also been popular, especially in these winter months when getting on to the field hasn't always been easy. Some people asked about more indoor sports but it is so important to get the children outside in the fresh air where possible, even if it's wet and windy. Please ensure they bring warm kit for lessons so they can make the most of their time outside. Someone asked for an after school running club. This is a great idea and we will definitely look into this when the evenings get a bit lighter. I think it will be very popular.

I love PE. Miss Sampson gives us options for lots of different PE and does enough for us already.

I don't like going outside in the winter as it's so cold.

My child really enjoys the sports coaches. Please can we have more sports clubs?

Other Questions:

"Can we get more equipment for lunchtime—play is so important." Yes! The Pupil Leadership Team are already looking into this so watch this space. Hopefully more equipment on the way soon.

"When is the next family breakfast?" We really want to do one this term if we can. We'll get details out as soon as we know.

"Please could there be more warning / time for award assembly as it's hard to get time off work at short notice."

A very good point and yes, we will look to see if we can improve this this term.

Our Award Winners this week

Thank you everyone for your feedback. Feedback Friday will return in two weeks time.







Reminder

Please do not let the children bring toys or other items into school without prior agreement with the teacher. Sometimes we do 'Show & Tell' but the teacher will let the children know when this is happening.

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Thank You

ARE YOU P.E. READY? No earrings Long hair or jewellery tied back School t-shirt No **Shorts or** watches trackies Trainers

As it is the start of a new year we thought it would be a perfect opportunity to send out a reminder about our school PE kit. It is important that your children have their PE kits in school every day so they are ready for their PE lessons and in case of any timetable changes. Our PE kit includes: a turquoise tshirt, navy or black shorts or tracksuit bottoms (without large letters) and trainers.

To keep your children safe during PE lessons it is essential that long hair is tied back and no jewellery or watches are worn during PE lessons (this includes smart watches).

Earrings should not be worn during PE lessons. If your child has their ears pierced, they must remove their earrings for PE lessons (they need to be able to do this independently). If piercings are new and earrings cannot be removed, they must be taped for the duration of the lesson (your child must be able to independently tape their ears). They will need be removed once they are healed after 8 weeks.

In the colder months, children are allowed to wear warm plain tracksuit bottoms and top / hoodie when outside. A coat is also essential.

For more information about our school uniform, please visit the school website where the school policy is available to read.

Time To Talk

Cam	Can you name some animals that live in cold
Somer	Can you count backwards in 10s from 100?
Dart	What can you remember about tempera- ture and how can we measure it?
Avon	Can you explain Rock formation to an adult?
Mells	Why is it important to trade responsibly?
Үео	Can you explain to an adult the differences between the geocentric, heliocentric and static model of our solar system?
Hartlake	Can you remember any facts about the creature you researched at our parent event?

Our Values

This week Yeo Class researched Hinduism using books and artefacts that we have in school.

Hinduism is over 4,000 years old, making it one of the world's oldest religions. It is made up of a variety of different religious beliefs and practices. This is our "Discovery RE" topic for this term. Discovery RE adopts an enquiry-based approach to teaching and learning so over the next few weeks we will be looking at the festivals Holi and Diwali and making our own rangoli patterns while researching Hindu beliefs, practices and values. Well done Y5, super RE!







Attendance

93.1%		
96.7%		
95.6%		
85.3%		
94.4%		
95.8%		
92.6%		
87.5%		
80%		
Overall attendance is		

House Points		
Ludlow	49	
Foxcote	24	
Tyning	36	
Huish	42	

Diary Dates

Friday 19th January **KS1** Celebration Assembly **Tuesday 23rd January** Y6 Trip To Steam Museum **Thursday 25th January Reception Trip To The Egg Theatre** Y2 Family Lunch Friday 26th January **KS2** Celebration Assembly **Monday 29th January INSET Day Friday 2nd February KS1** Celebration Assembly

	KS2 Celebration Assembly						
		Star	Maths Magician	Reading/ Oracy	Wizard Writer		
	Avon	Mariah B	Shylo W	Wilson D	Zarah H		
	Mells	Sonny T	Niall C	Molly J	Amelia W		
	Yeo	Briea B	Mario W	Sienna U	Harriet V H		
T	Hartlake	Elsie T	Jake C	Amelia B	Harrison G		

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Jasmine B, Amelia B & Chloe B for taking part in the carnivals and being awarded certificates from their dance troupe Enigma. Well done girls!

Well done to Nuala who has taken part in her 1st concert with her band. Brilliant!

Congratulations to Morgan who has been awarded a certificate in basketball for showing incredible teamwork and supporting. Well done!

Well done to Florence who has been awarded 3 medals for gymnastics — fantastic!

Congratulations to Harry B who has been awarded a certificate in basketball for sportsmanship. Brilliant!

Peg Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been awarded peg awards this week:

Red—Daisy P,, Hudson B, Mariah B, Ava-Grace L, Liyomi, Leo R, Rosie-Leigh G, Jackson G, Marcel S, Poppy R, Isla C, Blake, Briea B, Mya D, Max H, Aidan H, Mario W, Morgan C, Thomas B, Oscar W, Xavier W, Harrison P, George W, Paige S, Ellis R

Yellow—Harleigh D, Kayla, Pixie-Rose H, Jacob, Freya, Daisy P, Piper H, Wynter-Rose M, Enzo J, Thea, Chloe F, Bronwen K, Reuben HH, Lily T, Logan S, Sonny T, Molly J, Quinn J, Darcie N, Ruby P, Alicia P, Bella-Lily C, Harper BG, Reece W, Harriet VH, Sienna U, Florence D, Harrison G, Amelia B, Paige S, Jay R, De'Alla N, Ronny DB, Sharusha R, Elsie T

Pink– Fabian D, Austin R, Lennox, Ivy-Grace R, Ivy B, George L, Caleb C, Luna L, Ivy B, George L, Caleb C, Luna L, Teddy B, Henry R, Alicia P, Freddie B, Harry B

Bath & North East Somerset Libraries

Gift a Coat

Donate a coat to someone who might need it to keep warm this winter.

When can I donate? Tuesday 2 January - Saturday 17 February 2024

Where can I donate?

- Bath Central Library
- Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services

What can I donate?

- Coats, bodywarmers, hats, scarves or gloves that are new or as new. Your donation will go to people who need warm items over the colder months.
- Warm items for adults and children
- Please hand donations to a member of staff

Warm items of clothing will be available in Bath Central Library and Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services until the end of February for people to take what they need.



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For more information: library_events@bathnes.gov.uk

- 12.00pm	18 Jan
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Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in

- 2.00pm 19 Jan

days

- 4.00pm 20 Jan

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opening hours

Care Leavers Lens - photography by young people the care of B&NES Council

opening hours 2 - 26 Jan

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Improving People's Lives





Info, booking and venues: www.mnct.co.uk/wassailing







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Free 5 week cooking course for children and young people* aged 5-17

Learn how to make healthy recipes on a budget

Ingredients and equipment provided for f2f courses and a £30 supermarket voucher is given for online courses *1 adult is required to attend per family

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Tues 23rd Jan- 27th Feb (no session 13th Feb), St Martin's Garden Primary School, Combe Down, Bath, 4-5.30pm.

Thurs 25th Jan- Thurs 29th Feb (no session 15th Feb), online via Microsoft Teams, 4-5pm.

Mon 4th March- 1st April, online via Microsoft Teams, 5-6pm.



2023-2024 SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

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Including INSET DAYS

TERM 1			
Start:	Tuesday 5th September		
Finish:	Friday 20th October		
TERM 2			
Start:	Monday 30th October		
Finish:	Friday 15th December		
TERM 3			
Start:	Wednesday 3rd January		
Finish:	Friday 9th February		
TERM 4			
Start:	Monday 19th February		
Finish:	Thursday 28th March		
	TERM 5		
Start:	Monday 15th April		
Finish:	Friday 24th May		
	TERM 6		
Start:	Monday 3rd June		
Finish:	Tuesday 23rd July		
INSET DAYS			
Friday 1st September 2023			
Monday 4th September 2023			
Tuesday 2nd January 2024			
Monday 29th January 2024			
Friday 12th July 2024			