



ST BONAVENTURE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Striving to be the best we can,
guided by the light of Christ

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Dear parents and carers,

*'Thank you, Jesus, that you are the light of the world,
Thank you for showing us the way to God.
Help us to shine with the light of your love
In all that we do for one another and for you.
Amen.'*

Well done to 5SK who shared their class assembly with the school this morning. We are very proud of you.

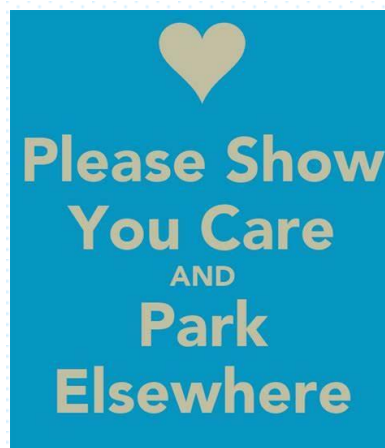
Donations

Thank you everyone who has donated any unwanted Lego, dinosaurs and small toy vehicles. We're still accepting more donations of these items. We'd also like to widen this by asking for any preloved dressing up clothes which we can introduce to our new stage area at lunch play. Please drop off any donations to the school office. Thank you so much.

Parking and dropping off on Egerton road

Following discussions with both our parent focus group and governing body we have decided to provide 'Show you care, park elsewhere' flyers to our neighbours who live at the top stretch of Egerton Road. Despite repeatedly asking parents/carers not to park across residents driveways and/or drive up to the church and use the space as a turning place for drop off a number of parents/carers continue to do this. Flyers will be placed on cars parked irresponsibly. Please avoid the embarrassment of this by parking elsewhere.

Best,
Sarah Ballantine
Head teacher



Catholic Life of our school this week

This week at St. Bonaventure's, the Gospel stories and our RE lessons have intertwined, !! In both Key Stages, we've been delving deeper into the ministry and teachings of Jesus.

In Key Stage 1 Celebration of The Word we learned about Jesus's teachings, filled with love, kindness, and wisdom. We discovered how his words can guide us in our everyday lives. Inspired by this, the children embarked on a secret mission! They're on the lookout for ways to express their gratitude to all the people who teach and support them at school. Keep your eyes peeled for unexpected acts of kindness and hidden messages of appreciation.

Meanwhile, Key Stage 2's "Celebration of The Word" presented a challenge: to live in God's way and manifest His kingdom here at St. Bonaventure's. We explored how our actions, big and small, can reflect God's love and teachings. The children brainstormed creative ways to bring kindness, compassion, and respect to our school. From sharing smiles and helping classmates to organising activities that spread joy, Key Stage 2 are working to make St. Bonaventure's a true reflection of God's kingdom.

5 SK took centre stage in our school assembly today, offering a thought-provoking reflection on our Gospel theme, "Seek the Truth." They skilfully wove together their understanding of Jesus' message of non-judgment with their current History topic, the Mayan civilization. Their powerful message resonated with everyone present: "Jesus told us not to judge others. How often do we look at someone and make assumptions based on their appearance? These judgments can blind us to the truth about them. By getting to know and understand each other, we can become better neighbours, just as Jesus would want us to be".

This week in FS, our youngest learners learnt that Jesus cares for everyone. They brought the story of the Feeding of the 5,000 to life through their acting, and then thought about what they would ask Jesus for help with. Each child decorated a fish and wrote their own prayer on the back. They have shared their prayers with the class throughout this week.

So, as we continue our journey through the Gospels and Revelation, remember, the lessons learned are not confined to the classroom. They're meant to be lived, shared, and celebrated in everything we do. Let's keep our eyes open for Jesus's teachings in action, in the everyday acts of kindness and respect that fill our school. Together, we can make St. Bonaventure's a vibrant community where God's love shines brightly!



UP COMING DATES:

Week beginning Monday 29nd January (week 3 menu)

Seek the truth curriculum week- all week

Wednesday 31st- Mixed netball @ St Bedes, invite only, 4:00-5:30
Year 3 Museum trip

Friday 2nd – 3B class assembly

w/s 5th January

Monday 5th – Year 5 Explore dome.

Wednesday 7th- Year 1 SS Great Britain trip.
Year 6- second hand book sale.

Friday 9th - Last day of term.

Dates
for your



Vacancy for School Meals Supervisory Assistant (SMSA)

We are looking to recruit an SMSA to work every lunchtime (12:00pm to 1:30pm). This involves supervising a small group key stage 2 children in the playground during lunchtime.

Please contact the school office or speak to Mrs Ballantine on the school gate if you are interested in finding out more information.

Iron on St Bonaventures logo badges



Don't forget we now have iron on logos to sell to parents, they are fantastic quality and hope it makes uniform more affordable for parents. The badges are £1.30 each and can be ironed on to cardigans, sweatshirt, polo shirts and t-shirts. We hope this makes uniform more affordable for parents

Payment can be made via School Gateway and will be payable from Monday.

If you have ordered badges please pick them up from the school office

WINDOW WANDERLAND



Window Wanderland – A Walking Trail to Light up our Winter

On Saturday 9th March St Bonaventures will be once again hosting the opening night of this wonderful event, please do support us by coming along. Pick up a map of the trail, view the schools amazing windows that we will create, and enjoy free hot chocolate from FED, PizzaRova pizza and sweet treats from Joes Bakery.

“Which event sums up community and creativity better than Window Wanderland?” – Featured in [The Sunday Times](#).

Imagine walking around your streets at night and seeing your neighbourhood in a whole new light. Window Wanderland is a fun community project that started in Bristol in 2015, with amazing results, and your area will host this unique event in month, year of event.

What is it? Bishopston Window Wanderland invites Bishopston residents to make displays in their windows or gardens that will then form a magical trail which can be explored by the whole community. What goes into the displays is totally up to you: from a string of fairy lights to a band playing in the living room, from simple to spectacular: as long as it's family friendly, anything goes.

It's easy to put your house on the map if you want to make a display, just visit our event www.windowwanderland.com/event/bishopston-bristol-2024

How can I help?

- ❖ Share our poster on your local Whats App groups.
- ❖ Pop into the office and get a poster to display in your window.
- ❖ Ask the office for flyers and post them around your Bishopston neighbourhood.
- ❖ Visit our Instagram page Bishopston window Wanderland and forward to your stories.
- ❖ Get your local business involved by sponsoring the event or signing up your window.
- ❖ **MOST IMPORTANTLY SIGN UP YOUR WINDOW TO OUR MAP.**

When you sign up you will receive free membership to the scrap store for the 4 weeks leading up to the opening event.



February Half term Playscheme 12 -16th February

£28 - Full Day/ **£21**- Short Day Open
for children aged 4 -11 years.

Please contact the play team or visit the website for further information.

Taking Bookings Now

Tel:07760181381

Email:Kidzonestbons@bristol-schools.uk

CRAFTS



GAMES



COOKERY



Clubs and sports at St Bon's



Club...	Is it running...	Day and year group...
Netball	YES YES	3:15 Mondays – Y3 & 4 3:15 Tuesdays - Y5 & 6
Drama	YES	Thursdays- Y6- 3:15 – 4:45 in hall Mondays- Y4 & Y5 3:15-4:30 (not accepting new sign ups)
Circuits	YES	Thursdays Y1-Y6 7:50am in hall
Running club	YES	Wednesdays – 7.45am – all welcome – meet outside foyer
Football	YES	Wednesdays 3:15- Boys training
Tag Rugby	YES	Thursday Y5 & Y6 8:00
Chess Lunch break	YES	Fridays -Y5 & Y6 12:15 fortnightly
Hockey with Mrs Hinkins	YES	Fridays- Y5 & 6 3:15. Paid club Booked through Mrs Hinkins
Gymnastics	Yes	Tuesdays Y4 - 3:15 in hall
Dodge ball	YES	Fridays – Y3 &4- 8:00 in hall
Art/Drawing- lunch time	YES	Tuesday lunch - KS2 – 12:15 In 4H
Debating Club- lunch time	YES	Wednesday lunch – Y5 & Y6 12:15-In 3B/3J
Well-Being Singing- lunch time	YES	Tuesday lunch – whole school - 12:15 in 1P
Choir – Lunch time	KS1 YES KS2 YES	Mondays – KS1 12:15 in 2TW Thursdays – KS2 –12:15 in 2TW
Yoga	YES	Friday Y1 – paid class –



English as an Additional Language Coffee Mornings



If English is not your first language, please come along, share your views, meet other parents, be a part of your child's learning and relax at our coffee mornings from 9 – 10am on Mondays in the School – come to the office.

The group is run by Mrs Cela – if you would like more information, please email her at esmeralda.cela@bristol-schools.uk

**A special invitation is extended to parents/carers of children who have just joined us.
If you would like more information about the group – please email Mrs Cela.**



Running Club

Running/walking club

Do you want to get fit and have fun at the same time!
Join us on Wednesday mornings at 7.50am.
Children and adults are welcome.

TERM 3 CWS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS SCHEDULE. PLEASE BOOK VIA OUR WEBSITE www.cwsophie.co.uk

TERM 3 - CWS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

MON

FOOTBALL CLUB
3.30PM - 4.30PM
RECEPTION, Y1, Y2

£20 FOR 5 WEEK COURSE

TUE

FOOTBALL CLUB
3.30PM - 4.30PM
Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6

£20 FOR 5 WEEK COURSE

WED

MULTI SPORTS CLUB
3.30PM - 4.30PM
RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6

£24 FOR 6 WEEK COURSE

THU

GIRLS ONLY SPORTS
3.30PM-4.30PM
RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6

TAG RUGBY/CRICKET
3.30PM-4.30PM
Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6

£24 FOR 6 WEEK COURSE

PLEASE VISIT OUR
WEBSITE TO BOOK -
WWW.CWSOPHIE.CO.UK

CLUBS WILL START
BACK WEEK
COMMENCING
WEDNESDAY 3RD
JANUARY 2024 (FIRST
WEEK BACK TO SCHOOL)

PLEASE NOTE
THURSDAYS GIRLS ONLY
SPORTS AND TAG
RUGBY/CRICKET ARE
TWO DIFFERENT CLUBS
AND TAG
RUGBY/CRICKET ARE FOR
EVERYONE .



COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

One of our founder members, Jenny Glester, has decided to step back from running the Community Food Pantry to concentrate on some exciting work projects this year. She was instrumental in setting up the Pantry and has worked incredibly hard running it over the past two years. Thank you, Jenny, for all your amazing efforts and for giving us the opportunity to help so many people in the local community.

But never fear, the Pantry will continue! Hopefully, our shoppers will see no difference at all. The only thing to remember is that cash donations should be made to 55 Egerton Road instead of 57 from now on.

Please donate:

Dairy milk
Tuna
Other tinned fish
Oil
Peanut butter
Deodorant
Soap
Toothbrushes
Toothpaste
Washing up liquid

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

St. Bon's Hygiene Bank provides families of children at the school with bags of hygiene products every half term. We have an amazing group of parents who regularly donate supplies of things like toothpaste, shampoo and washing up liquid to the bank, but it would be great to have some new people in the group. If you think this is something you would like to help with, please scan the QR code below to join the St. Bon's Hygiene Bank WhatsApp group:



We would also love to hear from anyone who is interested in volunteering to help run the hygiene bank. Call or message Nicola on 07947 690569 or Katie on 07792 420999 to find out more.
