



Friday 20th October 2023

Dear parents and carers,

Prayer for our global neighbours, which is the prayer we have shared with the children this week;

*'Speak to our hearts and help us to see that we are one big family.
Old or young, short or tall, wherever we live, you made us all.
Help us to share, however hard it seems, to make our world fair,
And live out our dreams.'*

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evenings in the past two weeks. We hope you found them informative and helpful.

This week has been a really busy week in school as we celebrated Curriculum Week.

Children in all classes have had the opportunity to experience part of their year group curriculum using a cross-curricular approach.

The Foundation Stage children have been learning about different countries around the world.

Each day, they have focused on a different country and learned how to say hello in that language.

Year 1 have been learning about the history of the school. They interviewed Miss Rigg, who was a past pupil at St Bon's.

Year 2 have been learning about Bangladesh and the impact of climate change on that part of the world.

Year 3 have been learning about the Stone Age and how communities worked together.

Year 4 have been finding out more about the Quaker religion, including a visit to the meeting house.

Year 5 have been learning more about the Second World War and how people in England worked together to take care of each other.

Year 6 have learnt about volcanoes and earthquakes and their impact on communities in affected areas

The children have all worked really hard this week and enjoyed sharing what they had learnt in our curriculum celebration assembly on Friday.

Just a reminder that the dead line for secondary school applications is the 31st October.

And that Monday 30th is an inset when the school will be closed.

We look forward to having the children back on Tuesday 31st, wishing everyone a lovely half term break.

Best,
Steph Woolley
Deputy Head Teacher

Catholic Life Of The School

Love thy Neighbour

In our curriculum week the classes have been learning more about Love your Neighbour through different subjects. In our celebration assembly on Friday, each class presented what they had been learning and how it had helped their understanding of the term's gospel value.

Ethos assembly

We reminded the children about being the best we can be and how we can show love and kindness to each other. Each class then fed back to the school on the revised lunchtime arrangements including what they thought the positives were as well as what they were finding difficult. The children gave us some really positive and constructive ways to make sure that everyone has a positive lunchtime, which we will implement in the new term.

Key Stage 1 Celebration of the word

The children listened to Matthew's gospel where Jesus talked about the difference between God's kingdom and that of Caesar. They thought about the things that they are grateful for in their lives and thanked God for them in a reflective moment.

Key Stage 2 Celebration of the word

The children focused on the kingdom parable about the guests invited to the banquet. They learned that we are all invited to be part of God's kingdom, and it's up to us whether we choose to accept.

Holiday homework

In the first week of next term we will be celebrating All Saints Day with a service in school. We want each class to learn more about their year group saint so that they can present that information alongside the art work in that service. I have asked the children to do some research on the life of their saint as well as think about how they showed their faith in God, their hope (vision for a better world) and love for others. We will also think about how those saints inspire us in our lives.

Here is a reminder of the year group saints:

FS - St Francis

Year 1 - St Bonaventure

Year 2- St Clare of Assisi

Year 3 - St Elizabeth of Hungary

Year 4 - St Peter and St Paul

Years 5 and 6 pupils to research their house group saints (St George, St David, St Patrick and St Andrew)

After the All Saints service, the art work will be hung on the walls in each year group alongside the research the children have done.



Events w/c 30th October (MENU week 1, New A/W menu)

Monday 30th- Inset day, pupils do not attend school

Tuesday 31st- Term 2 ~ Children back to school

Wednesday 1st - Year 6 Sport hall @ St Bede's 4pm

Friday 3rd - School Improvement plan session 9:00-10:00

UP COMING DATES:

Disco- 17th November

Christmas Fair- 3rd December

KS1 Nativities- Week beginning 4th December

KS2 Carol concert- Thursday 14th December 6pm



First Holy Communion 2024

The application process for the First Holy Communion programme is now open. If your child is in year 3 or above, and you wish to enrol him/her for the preparation programme starting in January, please complete an online [application form](#).

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 11th May 2024.
For more details, please contact the parish office on 0117 942 4448 or visit <https://stbonsbristol.com/sacraments/>.

Nasal Flu Immunisations 15th December

Children in Reception to Year 11 are being offered flu vaccinations this winter to help protect them from flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia. Vaccinating your child will also help protect you, your family and friends. The flu vaccine is administered using a nasal spray, this vaccine is free and painless, please ensure you complete your consent form at

<https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/consent?v=1.23>

If your child is unable to receive the nasal flu vaccine, community catch-up clinics will be available, please contact sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net or 03001245515 for more information.



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 Wednesdays 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.

Reception places for September 2024



Just a reminder that applications for Reception places for September 2024 are now open, We still have spaces on our open days, book on to a tour with the office if you feel this would be helpful.

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2024.

Clubs and sports at St Bon's



Week beginning 30th October

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| Netball - 3:15 | NO- not in school YES | Mondays – Y3 & 4 Tuesdays - Y5 & 6 |
| Drama | Yes (Year 6) | Year 6- 3:15 – 4:15 in hall Years 4-5 will start after Christmas |
| Circuits 7:50am | YES | Thursdays- Y1-Y6 in hall |
| Running club – 7.45am | YES | Wednesdays – all welcome – outside foyer |
| Mr Morgan after school | YES | Wednesdays – Girls football match |
| Tag Rugby | Yes | Y5 & Y6 Thursday 3:15- 4:15 |
| Chess – Lunch break | Yes | Fridays - Y5 & Y6 fortnightly |
| Hockey with Mrs Hinkins | YES | Fridays - Y5 & 6 £5 |
| Gymnastics- 3:15 – 4:15 | YES | Tuesdays- Year 3 Now full and running a waiting list |
| Dodge ball- 8:00 | Yes | Fridays – Y3 &4- in hall |
| Art/Drawing 12:15-12:45 | YES | Tuesday lunch - KS2 – In 4H |
| Debating Club 12:15 | YES | Wednesday lunch – Y5 & Y6 -In 3B/3J |
| Well-Being Singing 12:15 | YES | Tuesday lunch – whole school - in 1P |
| Choir – 12:15 | KS1 NO- not in school KS2 YES | Mondays – KS1 in 2TW Thursdays – KS2 – in 2TW |
| Yoga | YES | Friday Y1 – paid class – https://www.emflow.co.uk/book.html |

Year 2 Yoga dates Fridays 3:15 – 4:15;
3rd Nov, 10th Nov, 17th Nov, 24th Nov, 1st Dec, 8th Dec, 15th Dec.

Please book via the instructor's website: <https://www.emflow.co.uk/book.html> Choose St Bon's Yoga Course starting on 3rd November and follow the link. The password for parents to book is: 'yogafun'

Yoga is not run by St Bonaventures so any correspondence is from the Emilia and to be made directly to her.

Coaching with Sophie

If you would like to book onto our clubs please do so via our website - www.cwsophie.co.uk the bookings are now live.

Please also be aware Thursday's we have both Girls only sports and Tag Rugby/Cricket these are separate classes and Tag Rugby and Cricket are for both boys and girls, but right now it falls under girls sports on the websites.

TERM 2 - CWS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

| MON | TUE | WED | THU |
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| FOOTBALL CLUB 3.30PM - 4.30PM RECEPTION, Y1,Y2 £24 FOR 6 WEEK COURSE | FOOTBALL CLUB 3.30PM - 4.30PM Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 £28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE | MULTI SPORTS CLUB 3.30PM - 4.30PM RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/.Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 £28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE | GIRLS ONLY SPORTS 3.30PM-4.30PM RECEPTION/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 TAG RUGBY/CRICKET 30.30PM-4.30PM Y2/Y3/Y4 £28 FOR 7 WEEK COURSE |
| PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO BOOK - WWW.CWSOPHIE.CO.UK | CLUBS WILL START BACK WEEK COMMENCING TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2023 (FIRST WEEK BACK TO SCHOOL) | PLEASE NOTE THURSDAYS GIRLS ONLY SPORTS AND TAG RUGBY/CRICKET ARE <i>TWO DIFFERENT CLUBS</i> AND TAG RUGBY/CRICKET ARE FOR EVERYONE BUT IT WILL SHOW UNDER GIRLS SPORTS ON THE WEBSITE FOR THE TIME BEING. |  |



October Playscheme 2023

Kidzone will be open from Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October
Bookings are now open on SchoolGateway.

We are offering the following booking choices:

Full day session: £28.00 per session

Short day session: £21.00 per session

Please visit the Kidzone section of the website to see our activity plans.





End of term already, we hope everyone has a lovely break and recharge ready for the fun ahead in next term...

Bag2School Collection 31st October

Declutter your house of unloved and outgrown clothes and raise funds for the school – win win!

- Please bring your Bag2School donations to breakfast club/drop off on Tuesday 31st October. We can only accept donations at this time.
- The class that brings the most bags of donations wins a prize for their class.
- For information on what can and cannot be accepted please see: [What We Collect | Bag2School](http://bag2school.com/what-we-collect) (bag2school.com/what-we-collect)

Christmas Fair Planning

Ideas are coming together for this year's fair. To help us achieve the dream we're looking for:

- Decorations and artificial trees you are decluttering
- Musicians. In a band or choir and would like to perform at the fair to inject some Christmas spirit? Let us know.
- Sponsorship to help cover overheads and donations for prizes, Could your employer help? Do you know any local businesses who might support us?
- Matched funding – contact your HR and find out if by volunteering at the fair your employer could help to boost our fundraising efforts

If you can help in any way please let us know using one of the contact methods above.

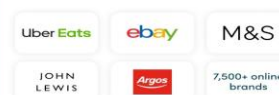
Disco

Our first disco fundraiser of the year will be on Friday 17th November



Coming up:

- ✓ Bag2School 31st October
- ✓ PTFA meeting 10th November
- ✓ Disco 17th November
- ✓ Christmas Fair 3rd December





COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY.

The nights are drawing in and there's a chilly breeze starting to make itself known in the streets - it must be Autumn! Tinned meat meals - like chilli, casseroles, curries, corned beef and ham - are always really popular in the Pantry when the weather turns. Please do consider adding a couple of these items to your trolley next time you go shopping and donating them to us: your generosity would be really appreciated.

A big thank you to the wonderful Mary who has once again donated a large amount of food to the pantry. We're so grateful to her for her continued support.

Please donate:

Tinned meat

Tinned meat-based meals like chilli's, curries, casseroles

Oil

Sugar

Tuna

Other tinned fish

Flour

Tinned fruit

Shampoo

Shower gel

Heavy flow sanitary towels

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 Jenny Glester's door at 57 Egerton Road.

Community News

The 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 077924420999 to find out more.

A message from The Little Princess Trust for whom the school raised £140.97;

Dear all

A big **THANK YOU** from all of us at The Little Princess Trust for your fantastic fundraising! We would like you to accept the attached certificate as a small token of our sincerest thanks. Because of you, we are able to provide free, real-hair wigs to children and young people experiencing hair loss as a result of cancer treatment and other medical conditions. You are also helping us to fund research into finding kinder and more effective treatments for childhood cancers. Our hope is that one day, this research will lead to finding a cure for paediatric cancers.

Thank you so very much for your hard work and wonderful support. We are truly grateful.

Sue & the LPT Team 

A message from Young Lives vs Cancer;

Dear all at St Bonaventure's Primary School,

I hope you're well J

My name is Miffy from the fundraising team at Young Lives vs Cancer. I wanted to get in touch to say a huge thank you to you for raising £140.96 from your Fiver Challenge. Thank you so much for thinking of us!

Just to put it into context, your fundraising alone could cover the cost of 3 families staying overnight in one of our Young Lives vs Cancer Homes from Home, providing free self-catering accommodation near to specialist children's cancer treatment centres, which are often many miles from a family's own home. Thank you so much!

Thank you so much to all the students and staff for your support. And if you're ever planning anything in future, please let me know – I'd love to support you with it.

With best wishes,
Miffy Kilby <she/ her>
Fundraising Engagement Officer

