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Our School Christian Vision: 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'

Rooted in Matthew 7 24 – 25: 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'



CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: TRUTHFULNESS

Message from the Headteacher

This week at St John's it has been 'Arts Week'. The children have enjoyed taking part in the National Gallery's Take One Picture event. This years picture was 'The Courtyard of a House in Delft' By Peter de Hooch from which each year group interpreted part of the picture to create some artwork. We would love for you all to come and see our art work in the Studio gallery on Monday (1st July), after school.



Next week we look forward to our shuffle up morning on Thursday. The class changes are as follows:

Senior Leadership Team

Headteacher	Mrs West-Gaul
Deputy Head	Mrs Monks
Assistant Head/EYFS and KS1 Lead	Mrs Stone
Senior Teacher/KS2 Lead	Mr Yarlett

Class Structure

Current class 2023/24	Class for 2024/25	Teacher
Acorns (please see separate letter)	1A Ash	Miss Maggs/Mrs Forse
	1B Birch	Miss George
1B Birch	2A Chestnut	Mrs Haigh
1A Ash	2B Elm	Mrs Vu
2A Chestnut	3A Hazel	Mr Yarlett
2B Elm	3B Holly	Miss Moody
3B Holly	4A Maple	Miss Wood
3A Hazel	4B Oak	Mr Smith
4A Maple	5A Pine	Mr Howells
4B Oak	5B Rowan	Miss Perkins
5A Pine	6A Sycamore	Ms Banwell
5B Rowan	6B Willow	Miss Drew
*Support staff will be deployed across the school		

To finish off next week, we look forward to welcoming you all to our PTA Summer Fete on Friday 5th July straight after school. Don't forget to return your raffle ticket money and purchase the passport in advance (£6 worth of activities for the price of £5). The children are allowed to come to school in non-uniform on Friday 5th July, this is instead of the final day of term (19th July) when we ask that the children come in full uniform as we will have leavers events.

Have a lovely weekend - hopefully the sun continues to shine!

Mrs West-Gaul

Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award this week!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Hudson Leo W	Ronan Jensen
Ash	Ayda	James
Birch	Harlowe-Rose	Jesse
Chestnut	Sophia L	Grace
Elm	Betsy	Noah
Hazel	Evie	Maisie
Holly	Brie	Dorothy
Maple	Taylor	Anna
Oak	Elsie Olivia	Ellis
Pine	Mason F	Rex
Rowan	Rocco	Annabelle
Sycamore	Jasper	Miley
Willow	William	-



Forever Sport Stars of the Day:

Year 6 Sycamore - N/A

Year 6 Willow - James and Evie

Year 5 Pine - Dylan

Year 5 Rowan - Noah

Year 4 Maple - Luca and Taylor

Year 4 Oak - Dilly and Taylor

Year 3 Hazel - Bella

Year 3 Hollie - Tommy

Year 2 Elm - Jennifer and Orie

Year 2 Chestnut - Sophia L and Riley

Year 1 Birch - Harlowe and Eric

Year 1 Ash - Casey and Mila

Great Work!

Top Doodling Class



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Well done!

Dates for Your Diary

JULY	
1st	Studio Gallery from Art Week
2nd	Sycamore Geography Field Trip
3rd	Willow Geography Field Trip
5th	PTA Summer Fete Non-Uniform Day
10th	EYFS & Year 1 Longleat Trip
11th	Year 6 Production, 6pm
12th	Year 5 Celebration Morning, 8.30am
19th	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly, 1.45pm Last day of term. School uniforms to be worn (NOT non-uniform day)

Hot Chocolate Friday



Lost Property

Please note all lost property needs to be collected by the end of term, otherwise it will be going to the charity shop over the summer.

You will see our new lost property storage unit located by the Pottery Room exit at the front of the school. Please search there for your items at the start and end of the school day.

Absences

Please be reminded that absence request forms should be submitted <u>three weeks</u> prior to the start of the absence.

In addition, all notifications of absences, early collections, etc. must be made to the school office (in addition to the teacher).

Thank you for your co-operation.

Learning in Year One

This week in Year One we have been learning all about poetry and how poems are structured. The children have noticed that a lot of poetry is written in rhyme.

Within some of our English lessons, we have been finding the rhyming words in poems. They have learnt that it is the end of the words that need to make the same sound so that the words can rhyme.

Over this week we have become amazing rhyming word spotters!

Here is an example of the ones that we have found in just one poem:

By Myself

When I'm by myself And I close my eyes

I'm a <mark>twin</mark>

I'm a dimple in a chin

I'm a room full of toys

I'm a squeaky <mark>noise</mark>

I'm α gospel <mark>song</mark>

I'm α <mark>gong</mark>

I'm a leaf turning <mark>red</mark>

I'm a loaf of brown bread

I'm a whatever I want to be An anything I care to be

And when I open my eyes

What I care to <mark>be</mark>

Is <mark>me.</mark>

By Eloise Greenfield

Learning in Year Three



Yesterday, Holly and Hazel classes had a visit from Mr Scattergood who held a science workshop with us.

The children had amazing fun doing loads of different experiments. They looked at prisms and light, created alien eggs and experimented with chromatography.











To all our friends at St John's School...

Thank you for making our patronal festival so special. Your artwork, prayers and singing were beautiful! Well done!



Love and best wishes from all at St John's Church

Out of School Achievements



Well done to Poppy-Mae who ran a 5K at the weekend to raise money towards an amazing charity, "Race for Life Pretty Muddy", and she has raised over £300!

Well done to Ted (Acorns), and Monty (Seedlings) who helped raise money for charity and had lots of fun doing so!

Their Mum and Dad competed off-road in their Land Rover and the boys competed in bike trials, Ted came first in the balance bike category and Monty a close second. The event raised a massive £3500 for St Luke's Hospice.

Well done boys!





On Saturday 22nd June Jess was selected by her horse riding school to attend her first show and represent the club in 3 formal classes and then the Multi Gymkhana for a bit of fun!

To our delight Jess was placed and received a rosette in every class she entered riding Mario!

ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT ST JOHNS

Every school day counts!

100% EXCELLENT

Children are required, by law, to attend school for 190 days of the year.

The government state that children's attendance should be at least 95%.

98% Good 4 - 7.5 days absent = 22-41 hours of lost learning

We are here to support you!

If you need support

getting your child to

school, please speak to

95% REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT 9.5 - 17 Days absent = 52 - 93.5 hours of lost learning

90%
PERSISTENT
ABSENTER

19 - 27 days absent =104.5 - 148.5 hours of lost learning

a member of staff who will be willing to help.

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MOMENTS

85% CRITICAL CONCERN 28.5 - 38 days absent = 155.5 - 209 hours of lost learning

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FREE family cycle training

This Summer B&NES Council is pleased to offer free family cycle training in Midsomer Norton at Free Rangers Forest School Nursery.

This one to one course is designed to instruct the lead family member how to shepherd the group with road safety tactics. It also aims to improve children's cycle skills and road awareness while having fun with parents! The first hour will introduce basic cycle skills and will take place under a barn. Then, the group will have activities on a cycle lane and carefully selected local junctions under guidance of our instructor.





There is no minimum age but to attend this course, all riders must be able to ride a bike (set off, pedal, slow down and stop). If required, we can offer bike & helmet loans free of charge.



To see available dates and book a space, scan the QR code or email: bikeability@bathnes.gov.uk

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