

19th July 2024

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

Another year has come to an end and what a year it has been! From school trips to sporting events, all of the children have excelled in their own ways and should be proud of what they have achieved.

We want to continue the momentum over the summer holidays and have presented our summer holiday challenges to the children in assembly this week. We have created a set of challenges in reading, writing and maths that children of all ages can access. If you have time during the holidays please encourage your child to take part in these, we will be asking for them to share their summer learning in classes during the first week back. Year Five children have also been given some additional maths challenges to help them secure their fundamentals before going into Year Six, these booklets will form part of their learning in the first week back.

There were mixed emotions as we said goodbye to our Year Six cohort today but I want to reiterate how proud we are of each of them for their successes both academically and personally. We wish them all the best in their secondary learning journeys and we look forward to hearing about how they are getting on.

Have a wonderful summer and I look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Mrs West-Gaul

Dates for Your Diary

SEPTEMBER	
2nd	INSET DAY
3rd	Children return to School
10th	Year Three swimming starts
16th & 17th	Individual and sibling photos

For more dates, please see the attached Key Dates Document.

Hot Chocolate Friday



Top Doodling Class



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Well done!

Please note:

- There will be no clubs the first week back in September.
- The timetable for PE and Forest School will be sent out prior to the start of term.
- With the aim of reducing lost property, please spend the summer naming uniform, water bottles, lunch boxes, sun hats etc. Labels can be purchased from www.MyNametags.com with the school ID 31825 and the school will receive a donation.





Year Six Awards

Lisa Rupprecht Memorial Cup for Endeavour: Fabien

Certificate of Sporting Excellence: Beau

Jane Hughes Certificate of Music and Drama: Teddy

Certificate of Achievement: Erin

St. John's Values Award: Miley

Progress Award: Nikita

Personal Growth Award: Reeva

Certificate of Achievement: Jayke

St. John's Values Award: Isla

Progress Award: Ruben

Personal Growth Award: Tyler



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	Bellatrix Freddie W	Lilah Charlie
Ash	Ash Class	Ash Class
Birch	Elijah	-
Chestnut	Chestnut	Eva
Elm	Aurelia	Mackenzie
Hazel	Hazel Class	Hazel Class
Holly	Ezra	Flynn
Maple	Rudi	Nate
Oak	Oak Class	Olivia
Pine	Whole Class	Albie
Rowan	Rowan Class	Rowan Class
Sycamore	Philip	Darragh
Willow	Willow Class	Willow Class

Forever Sport Stars of the Day:



Year 6 Dodgeball tournament winners - Green House (Willow)

Year 5 Pine - Ella

Year 5 Pine Dodgeball tournament winners - Yellow House

Year 5 Rowan - Murray

Year 5 Rowan Dodgeball tournament winners - Blue House

Year 4 Maple Dodgeball tournament winners - Yellow House

Year 4 Oak Dodgeball tournament winners - Yellow House

Year 3 Hazel - Jesse

Year 3 Hazel Dodgeball tournament winners - Red House

Year 3 Holly - Oscar and Zena

Year 3 Holly class Dodgeball tournament winners - Red House

Year 2 Elm Cricket tournament winners - Red House

Year 2 Chestnut Cricket tournament winners - Green House

Year 1 Birch - Toby

Year 1 Ash - Lexie and Frankie



Year 5 Trip to Carymoor Environmental Trust - Vikings Day



Our Viking experience day saw us bake bread over an open fire, complete orienteering and rune challenges, and explore the hierarchy of Viking society through an archaeological dig!



Learning in Pine Class

In Pine Class, we have created our very own army of fused glass bugs.

First, we designed our bugs, then each of us had a go at cutting glass before finally glueing our creations together.

After being fired over the weekend, Pine Class came face to face with a bug army as unique and varied as themselves!



Reading in Acorns



We have had an amazing year in Acorns learning to read!

We have worked hard to learn and blend our sounds and we all love our guided reading sessions!

We are excited for all the new books we will read as we move up through school!



Out of School Achievements

Harry (Hazel class) took part in Midsomer Norton's Town Show at the weekend - he won three first certificates and was the Children's Winner for KS2/3.

Well done Harry.



The council is seeking your views on proposals for new parking charges that are aimed to improve air quality through a major shift to sustainable transport, walking and cycling and incentives to reduce the use of more polluting vehicles.

These proposals will affect users of council car parks and on street paid for parking, as well as some car parks where parking is currently free of charge.


A full breakdown of the proposed charges is available on the council's consultation webpage at <https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/parkingchargereview>.

The consultation closes at 5pm on 8 August and the council will consider all feedback to these proposals before making the final decision.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS AT ST JOHNS

Every school day counts!

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%**.

100% EXCELLENT	4 - 7.5 days absent = 22-41 hours of lost learning	<p>We are here to support you!</p> <p>If you need support getting your child to school, please speak to a member of staff who will be willing to help.</p> 
98% Good	9.5 - 17 Days absent = 52 - 93.5 hours of lost learning	
95% REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT	19 - 27 days absent = 104.5 - 148.5 hours of lost learning	
90% PERSISTENT ABSENTER	28.5 - 38 days absent = 155.5 - 209 hours of lost learning	
85% CRITICAL CONCERN		

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Are you choosing a school for your child for September 2025?

We know that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you make as parents.

To provide parents with an opportunity to learn more about our school and our ethos, we are inviting you to visit the school for a presentation followed by a tour of the school.



Open Mornings

Tuesday, 15th October, 9.30am
Tuesday, 5th November, 9.30am
Friday, 8th November, 9.30am

Places are limited so must be booked in advance by contacting the School Office on 01761 412019.

We can offer:

- Dedicated teaching rooms for cookery, music and pottery
- Forest school sessions
- Extra-curricular clubs
- Large playing fields and playgrounds with age-appropriate activity areas
- Outdoor classroom



St. John's Primary School is a 'Good' School:

"Pupils behave well in school... Classrooms are calm and pupils work hard. In the playground, pupils socialise happily together."

"Pupils are taught a well-considered curriculum to support their broader development. This is a particular strength of the school."

Ofsted Report, March 2023



St. John's Church of England Primary School

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Free family art activities
at the
Victoria Art Gallery
this summer

Tuesday – Friday 10.30am – 2pm
Running 24 Jul to 23 Aug

[click here to find out what's on](#)



VAG Victoria Art Gallery



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THE ROMAN BATHS BATH

Join us this summer for family activities
at the Roman Baths
Monday – Friday

Activities running 24 Jul – 27 Aug.
Included in Roman Baths admission.
Free to Discovery Card holders.

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Explore, eat and be entertained for less – or even free

Enjoy local activities, attractions, and places to eat and drink with **free or discounted offers** throughout the year. Your card gives you **free entry** to the Roman Baths, Parade Gardens and all the changing exhibitions at Victoria Art Gallery, as well as access to **exclusive discounts** at visitor attractions, restaurants, spas and other experiences across the region.

It's simple to apply for your free Discovery Card

Visit our website to find out more or scan the QR code on the front of this leaflet.






Free Healthy Family Courses

Wellbeing Service B&NES



For families of children and young people aged 5-17, who are above a healthy weight*

1-1 support in person or via video call. Sessions run throughout the year.

Lots of fun & exciting local activity opportunities for young people and their families to choose from.



FREE 5 week cooking course for families of children and young people 0-17 years

Virtual or in person courses, discover how to make easy, healthy recipes and learn new cooking skills

Dates:
Upcoming dates in September TBC



HENRY Healthy Families: Right From The Start

8 week course along with a creche

Everything you need to help your little one get off to a great healthy and happy start. Includes topics; Parenting strategies, nutrition, child development, food labelling, portion size, sleep, and emotional wellbeing

For parents and carers of children aged 0 to 5 years. Available virtually or in person.

Dates: Keynsham- Tue 1st October- 26th Nov, 9.30am-12pm
Online- Thursday 3rd Oct- 29th Nov, 1-2pm

HENRY Fussy Eaters Workshop

Online workshop

Support for parents of under 5's to understand fussy and selective eating and encourage your child to try new foods- and enjoy them!

Dates: 12 Sep: 7.45-9.15pm
14 Nov: 7.45-9.15pm

HENRY Eating Well for Less Workshop

Online workshop

Top tips will help you keep to a budget and help the whole family eat more healthily- healthy choices don't need to be expensive choices

Dates: 10 Oct: 7.30-9pm
5 Dec: 7.30-9pm

HENRY Starting Solids Workshop

Online workshop

Introducing solid foods at 6 months- What foods to start with and how to make it enjoyable!

Dates: 26 Sep: 10-11.15am
20 Nov: 1-2.15pm



To book contact the Community Wellbeing Hub:

t: 0300 247 0050

e: BATHNES.thehub@hcrgrcaregroup.com

w: bathneshealthandcare.nhs.uk/childrenshealthyweight/

*Referral criteria apply



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WHAT'S ON DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS



DATE	Wed. 24th, July & Mon. 29th July - Fri. 30th, Aug.	DATE	Mon. 5th - Wed. 7th August Mon. 19th - Wed. 21st August	DATE	Thurs. 8th, & Fri 9th, August Thurs 22nd, & Fri 23rd, August
LOCATION	Cotham School, BS6 6DT	LOCATION	Merchants' Academy, BS13 9AN	LOCATION	Yate Academy, BS37 4DX
TIME	9:00am - 4:00pm	TIME	9:00am - 4:00pm	TIME	9:00am - 4:00pm

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FIND OUT WHAT'S ON DURING SUMMER HOLIDAYS

NORTHLEAZE HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: Northleaze Primary School
DATES: Monday, 29th July to Friday, 9th August
TIMES: 8:30am - 4:30pm

LONG ASHTON HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: Birdwell Primary School
DATES: Wednesday, 24th July, Monday, 12th August to Friday, 30th August
TIMES: 8:30am - 4:30pm

FILTON/ LOCKLEAZE HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: Filton Avenue Primary School
DATES: Wednesday, 24th July, Monday, 29th July to Friday, 23rd August
TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

STAPLE HILL HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: The Tynings School
DATES: Wednesday, 24th July, Monday, 29th July to Friday, 30th August
TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

HOLY TRINITY HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: Holy Trinity Primary School
DATES: Tuesday, 27th to Friday, 30th August
TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

ABBOTSWOOD HOLIDAY CAMP

VENUE: Abbotswood Primary School
DATES: Monday, 12th to Friday, 30th August
TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm



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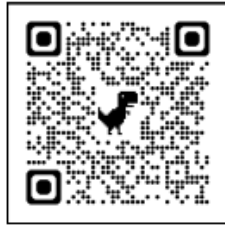
We deliver fun and inclusive sport and physical activity sessions in Greater Bristol to provide children with opportunities to enjoy being active and fall in love with sport.

Find out what Clubs, Hubs & Camps we have available at your school and in the local area at www.bristol-sportfoundation.org.



Book our Sensory Spaces

We have Sensory Spaces in Bath, Keynsham and Midsomer Norton Library.



Use a Sensory Explorer Bag

A sensory and tactile self-led offer. Borrow for use in our libraries and Bath Housing, Welfare and Advice Services.



The childrens bags contain:

- a guide to the library
- a wiggly worm and some sea creatures
- a fidget toy and sensory scarf
- ear defenders



The young adults/older persons bags contain:

- a guide to the library
- a fidget toy
- ear defenders

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What's going on this summer?

Summer Reading Challenge 2024 runs from 13th July to 14th September!

Open to children of all reading abilities - read books together, look at pictures or read independently - it all counts!



Visit us:

- To join the library
- To sign up for the challenge
- For FREE Summer Reading Challenge Events
- Scan to find out more online

We're celebrating a 100 years of lending books this summer!

Join us for Centenary themed crafts throughout the summer holidays!
Tuesdays: Bath Central Library, Wednesdays: Midsomer Norton, Thursdays: Keynsham Library

Need inspiration about what to read next?

Visit our virtual library for book reviews, our centenary book sorter and much more!



Does your child find it difficult to sleep? Read our guest article *Summer Dreaming*, as Christy Kirkpatrick talks to leading sleep expert Professor Alice Gregory.

Visit: <https://baneslibraries.co.uk>



Summer Reading Challenge 2024

Delivered in partnership with libraries



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The Summer Reading Challenge is a FREE holiday activity for children aged 4 - 11, so visit a B&NES Library to:



Join the library, it's free!



Sign up to take part in the challenge



Enjoy our FREE Summer Reading Challenge Craft Events

Find out more online!

Just pop in to your local library or sign up at: summerreadingchallenge.org.uk



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WRITING COMPETITION

100 Years Writing Competition

To celebrate our 100-year anniversary, we're launching a Centenary Writing Competition! The competition theme is 'One Hundred Years.'



Who Can Take Part?

The competition has three categories. Children up to the age of 11 years, 12-17 years, and adults.

Prizes include a £20 Mr B's Book Token, with runner up prizes of up to £10 in Book Tokens.

Word Count

There is no minimum, but a maximum of 2,500 words.

The competition runs from 3 June – 31 August 2024.

For full details visit:

<https://baneslibraries.co.uk/100-years-writing-competition/>

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