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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: PEACE



Message from the Headteacher

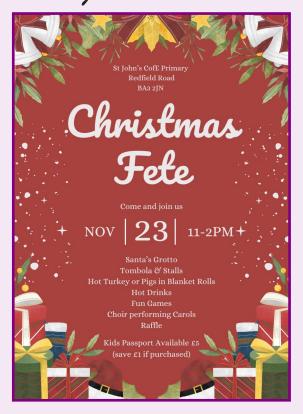
It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!

We arrived in school on Monday to Christmas trees around the school and a studio full of christmas crafts. The children have been busy making their christmas decorations and the PTA have been busy preparing the school for the Christmas fete tomorrow. Please come along and support - there are some great raffle prizes to be had!

Don't forget next Wednesday is an INSET day, so is closed to all children, and on Thursday we have our Kilve Court meeting for Year 4 parents straight after school.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs West-Gaul



Dates for Your Diary November

23rd PTA Christmas Fete, 11am–2pm

27th INSET Day

December

4th Year One Nativity, 5pm

10th Year Two 'Carols by Candlelight',

3.15pm, St. John's Church

11th Reception Nativity, 1.30pm

12th Christingle Service, 3.30pm,

St. John's Church

13th PTA Elfridges

18th Christmas Services at St. John's

Church:

9am: Seedlings, Acorns, Ash, Chestnut, Hazel, Maple, Pine & Sycamore. 2pm: Birch, Elm, Holly, Oak, Rowan

& Willow

20th PTA Non-uniform Day



Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award.

	Star of the	Star
	Week	Readers
Acorns	Arthur Chester	Dougie Ruby R
Ash	Jenna	Leo G
Birch	Lilah	Stanley
Chestnut	Oliver	Sofia
Elm	Frankie	Edward
Hazel	Harry	Emily
Holly	Emilee	Theo
Maple	Sophie	Amelia S
Oak	Todd	Indigo
Pine	Owen	Avery
Rowan	Olivia & Jack D	Teddy
Sycamore	Finlay &	Phoebe
Willow	Isabelle H	Ashley

Top Doodling Class:



Ash Class
Well done!



PE Stars of the Week:

- ★ Year 6 Sycamore- Poppy and Mason R
- ★ Year 6 Willow- Ralphy
- ★ Year 5 Roman- Texa and Jack Simcox
- ★ Year 5 Pine- Avery
- ★ Year 4 Maple- Xander and Sophie
- ★ Year 4 Oak- Jayden and Darcy
- ★ Year 3 Hollie- Theo and Auriella
- ★ Year 3 Hazel- Sonny and Evelyn
- ★ Year 2 Elm- Remy and Eva
- ★ Year 2 Chesnut- Poppy rose and Oliver
- ★ Year 1 Ash- Ruby and Oliver
- ★ Year 1 Birch- Lilah and Oliver

Well done!



FOUNDATION

ACTIVE. HEALTHY. HAPPY.

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.bristolsportfoundation.org.







Out of School Achievement

Chloe from
Sycamore Class
entertained the
crowds at four of
the Somerset
carnivals with
Dragonfly dance.
They picked up 3
second places and
a joint first place
with their drop
dead gorgeous
theme.



Well done Chloe and well done to everyone who took part in the carnivals!

Citizenship & Character Award

Let's turn this weekend's gloomy weather forecast into a positive by using it to work towards our Citizenship and Character Award! Children could perhaps build their own rain gauge using an empty plastic bottle, some tape, some rocks and a ruler.

The National Trust for Scotland website provides some clear instructions on how to construct this:

https://www.nts.org.uk/stories/how-tomake-your-own-rain-gauge

Perhaps children could take recordings from their rain gauge every day for one week. We teachers would be delighted to hear about how the children get on with their investigation. I wonder which day will prove to be the rainiest!



Cross Country

This week, nearly 50 St John's children from Years Four and Five represented the school at the Large Schools Cross Country Competition.

The children did incredibly well, tackling a lengthy and challenging course. It was fantastic to see so many children getting involved and with such an amazing enthusiasm towards the event.





School Dinners

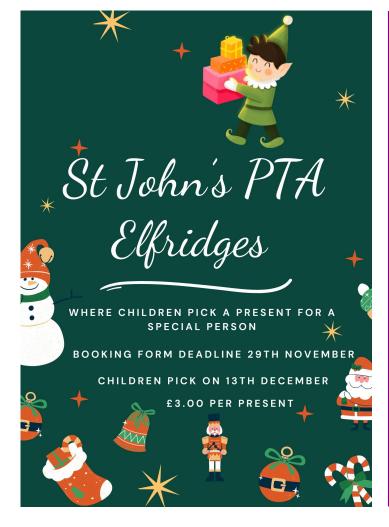
Please could we remind you to choose your child's meals along with them, and remind them of their choice each morning before school. The kitchen staff are unable to change what the child is eating when they reach the servery because each meal is made to order. This can cause upset and disruption in the dinner hall, and on occasion children refusing to eat what has been chosen on their behalf. Involving your child in making the choices should minimise this - thank you for your support.

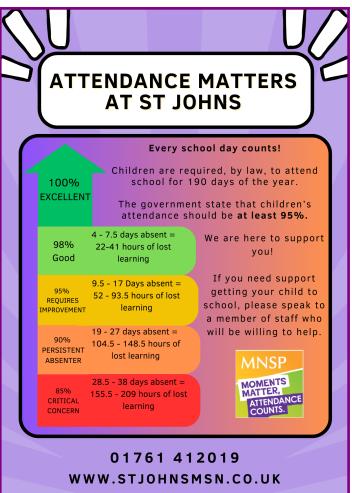
Christmas dinner will be served at St John's on Wednesday 18 December

This is available to book via ParentPay as usual:

- Roast Turkey Parcel (includes stuffing and is wrapped in bacon) or Roasted Vegetable Parcel (v)
- Chipolata
- Carrots
- Sprouts
- Roast potatoes
- Gravy
- Chocolate Christmas tree filled with strawberry ice cream



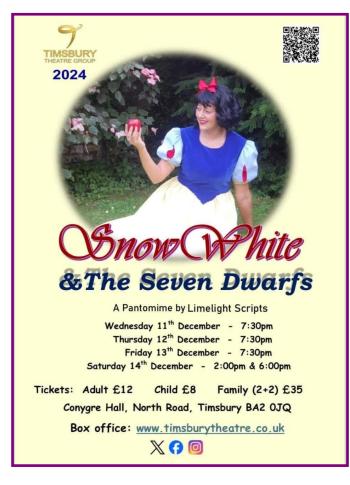














B&NES VRP Knife Crime Awareness Events for Parents and Carers

The B&NES Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) have 3 upcoming Parental Knife Crime Awareness events.

Please note these events will now take place on:

- o Thursday 5th December 2024 at Bath College
- o Wednesday 22nd January 2025 at Newbridge Primary School
- o Monday 10th February 2025 at Chew Valley School

These events are aimed at parents and carers who would like to know more about the dangers of knife crime or are concerned that their children are at risk; increasing awareness of key issues surrounding knife crime, empowering you and your children to make informed and positive decisions to stay safe.

You will have the opportunity to hear from a guest speaker with lived experience, who has been personally affected by knife crime, followed by a panel discussion with the opportunity to ask questions. There will also be an opportunity to hear about the support available for children and families in B&NES and view a partnership film on county lines from a B&NES' perspective.

The Bath & North East Somerset Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) is a multi-agency partnership that aims to prevent and reduce violence in the area. We work to understand and address the root causes of violence, to prevent further violent crimes from occurring in the future. We provide resources and support the work of professionals and community groups who help children at risk or involved in serious violence. For queries, please email VRP Events@bathnes.gov.uk.

Or book your ticket now on Eventbrite:

Bath College: https://KnifeAwarenessBathCollege.eventbrite.co.uk

Newbridge Primary School: https://KnifeAwarenessNewbridge.eventbrite.co.uk
Chew Valley School: https://KnifeAwarenessChewValley.eventbrite.co.uk

