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13th December 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: PEACE



Message from the Headteacher

This week we have been spoilt with so many Christmas events.

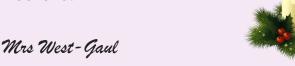
On Tuesday, our Year Two children told the Christmas Story through songs at their 'Carols by Candlelight' performance, and on Wednesday our youngest children performed their Nativity 'Prickly Hay' to their families.

We were so proud of all the children, they were confident in their acting and sung with enthusiasm throughout.

On Thursday we joined together in Church to celebrate Christingle.

A huge thank you to all of our talented staff for their hard work in supporting the children with their performances and to all of the families who joined us to celebrate these special moments.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.



Dates for Your Diary December

18th Christmas Services at St. John's Church:

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

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES FOR YEARS 1 & 2

20th PTA Non-uniform Day Last Day of Term

January

Please note, Monday 6th January is an INSET DAY. Children will return to school on Tuesday 7th.

Please note, there will be NO NURSERY AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB on WEDNESDAY 18TH DECEMBER.

Reception/Junior Transfers September 2025

Please be reminded that the closing date for on-time Reception/Junior Transfer applications for September 2025 is **15th January 2025.**

Extra-curricular School Clubs

A ParentMail message has been sent inviting parents to submit selections for school clubs for Terms 3 & 4. The deadline in 9am, Tuesday 17th December. Please also see the list of Bristol Sport Clubs available.

Change of Email Address

Please note our new e-mail address: **office@stjohns.mnsp.org.uk**Our current email address will be redirected temporarily, but if you could change the address in your contacts lists where necessary, we would be grateful.



Awards & Achievements

Awards of the Week

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

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Tallulah Freya	Alex Lo Edie
Ash	Oliver	Leo G
Birch	Betsy	Halle
Chestnut	Alfie	Nancy-Rose
Elm	Libby	Ayda
Hazel	Aeris	Sophia S
Holly	Jake	Arianna
Maple	Charlie	Zena
Oak	Harry	Freya
Pine	Elliot	Grayson
Rowan	Teddy	April
Sycamore	Frankie	Frank
Willow	Lawson	Colby



Top Doodling Class:

ACORNS

Well done!



PE Stars of the Week:

Year 6 Sycamore - Eva

Year 6 Willow - Annabelle

Year 5 Rowan - Henry

Year 5 Pine - Owen

Year 4 Maple - Reuben and Bethany

Year 4 Oak - Jesse

Year 3 Holly - Orri

Year 3 Hazel - Class of star of the day

Year 2 Elm - Lexi and Shontae

Year 2 Chestnut - Toby and Sofia

Year 1 Ash - Tommy

Year 1 Birch - Eva and Oscar

Well done!

Out of School Achievements

Well done to Jake in Holly Class who has achieved his Level 2 Swimming.



Well done to Mila in Elm Class who was awarded her Stage 3 and 10 metres in her swimming lesson.



Christingle

On Wednesday morning, children from Ethos Group visited St John's Church to help make the Christingles for the service on Thursday. They listened carefully to the instructions and did a great job! Well done everyone!















We know that many families find themselves in financial strain in January and February, and the New Year can be an opportunity for families to review their finances and the benefits available to them.

The <u>B&NES Community Wellbeing Hub</u> provides a central place for parents/carers to access a range of services to improve health and wellbeing including financial, money matters and accessing food. The hub can be contacted 0300 247 0050 Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm.

Clean Slate can offer to B&NES residents, including details of a workshop in January.

- Free 121 money guidance delivered over the phone (income and expenditure, benefit checks, grant checks, budgeting support etc.)
- Employability Support
- · Provide access to Food Bank vouchers, fuel bank vouchers and much more
- · Clean Slate can provide emergency supermarket vouchers of up to £150. These can only be accessed via the online referral link https://www.cleanslateltd.co.uk/refer-to-bnes.html

Clean Slate's free, **3 Bs (Budgeting, Banking and Being Online)** money advice events bring people on low incomes together to see what they're missing out on. The doors are open to anyone worried about debt, wanting to increase their income or who has decided it's time to take control of their finances.

3Bs Money Skills Workshop - 23rd of January - 9:45 - 3:30 with lunch provided.

Venue: YMCA Bath, BA1 5LH

Sign up: https://www.cleanslateltd.co.uk/next-3-bs-training.html

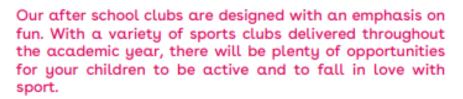




For more information contact: sass@fossewayschool.com - 01761 412198 Ext 1



AFTER SCHOOL **CLUBS**



St. John's, Midsomer Norton-Term 3

Monday (13/01/2025 - 10/02/25)

- Years 1 & 2 Football- 18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Dance- 18 Spaces
- £17.50 in total for 5 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Tuesday (07/01/25 - 11/02/25)

- Years 1 & 2 Invasion games- 18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Jailbreak- 18 Spaces
- £21.00 in total for 6 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Wedneaday (08/01/25 - 12/02/25)

- Years 1 & 2 Gymnastics 18 Spaces
- Years 3 to 6 Football- 18 Spaces
- -£21.00 in total for 6 weeks (£3.50 per person, per session)

Time- 15:00-16:00

If you are booking onto a club after the start date, please note that the price is automatically adjusted on the booking page.

TO BOOK:





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JUNIOR CHOIR DAY - HOLIDAY COURSE, in KEYNSHAM

Friday 3rd January

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to invite your child to join us for a Junior Choir Day 3rd January. This is a fantastic opportunity to join with other children in the area and have fun singing in a choir under the guidance of our highly skilled West of England Music and Arts teachers.

Did you know that singing in a choir is not only fun but develops musical skills, helps build social skills, improves self-confidence and relieves stress.

To be able to join this Junior Choir Day your child must be in Years 3, 4, 5 or 6.

WHERE: St Keyna, Primary School, Monmouth Road, Keynsham, BS31 2JP.

WHEN: Friday 3rd January

TIME: 9am - 3.30pm. Parents / Carers are invited for a short performance at 3.15pm.

WHAT TO BRING: packed lunch and drinks for the day

WHAT TO WEAR: comfortable clothing

COST: £25 for the day. No charge if your child is eligible for pupil premium.

HOW TO SIGN UP AND PAY: Go to www.werna.org.uk/junior-choir-day

The deadline for applicants is: Monday 16th December

I do hope your young musician can join us for this exciting opportunity.

If you have any further questions, please email: music@wema.org.uk

Best wishes

Alice Bodiley

Programme Leader: Groups and Courses

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NEW! JUNIOR CHOIR FREE TRIAL SESSION Tuesday 14th January

Singers of Junior School Age 7-11

Where: St Keyna Primary School BS31 2JP

Time: 5:45pm - 6:45pm

What: Sing all styles of music from rock to pop, classical to folk.
High quality singing in a fun and

relaxed atmosphere

How: Sign up below and come and give it a try







