



School-Wide News

Anti-bullying week 2020 – United Against Bullying

Next week is national anti-bullying week. This year's theme is "United Against Bullying". In school, each class will do a lesson reflecting on and exploring this theme. Work from those lessons will go towards producing a school display on each site. We will also cover this theme in our assemblies. One of the key things that we explore during anti-bullying week is what

bullying is: the definition that we explore with the children is that *bullying is repeated behaviour that is intended to hurt someone physically or emotionally.*



Odd Socks Day is back! To celebrate uniting anti-bullying and celebrating our differences, we are asking everyone in school to wear **ODD SOCKS on Friday 13th November**. No money is needed – just wear odd socks.

If you would like to know more and support your child's learning on this then please follow the links below:

This is a tool produced by the Anti-bullying Alliance to support parents/carers in discussing anti-bullying:

www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/field/attachment/Anti-Bullying%20Week%202020%20-%20pack%20for%20parents.pdf

This is a film produced by the Anti-bullying Alliance for primary school children:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e8e7NRIk4AA&feature=emb_title&safe=active

As part of SafeToNet's support for Anti-Bullying Week 2020 parents can now get a 60-DAY FREE ACCESS to SafeToNet's pioneering safeguarding app. Visit safetonet.com/abw2020 and use the code **ABW2020** to sign up now and make sure your children are safer online.

Messages from the Governors

Please find attached a letter about a vacancy we have for a Parent Governor to join the governing body.

We would also like to remind you that there is still time to complete our survey regarding Headteacher recruitment. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CJT3N7M>.

Many thanks,

The governors of Southville Primary School

#BedminsterStreetAdvent

Add some sparkle to this Covid Christmas with #BedminsterStreetAdvent, and create a living Advent calendar on your street. First, you and your neighbours each need to pick a date from 1-24 December (you can pick more than one date per house if your street doesn't have 24 households able to take part.) Then, on your date, decorate your front window with a Christmas theme – it can be anything you like, so long as it's festive, and includes your chosen date. Keep your window display up until 25 December. By Christmas Day, your street will have a complete living Advent calendar.

Don't forget to take a walk round the area to enjoy the living Advent calendars created by other Bemmie streets, and remember to share your living Advent calendars using #BedminsterStreetAdvent.

There's no need to register your street, but more information is available on Facebook, and here

<https://www.staldhelms.org/single-post/bedminster-street-advent> and

<https://www.saintpaulschurch.co.uk/bedminster-street-advent>



Letter for families of children with SEND

Please find attached a letter from Vicky Ford MP, the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Children and Families.

Belonging from the Beginning survey

A group of Bristol parents (including young parents) have developed this survey to gather the views and experiences of expectant parents and parents/carers of children aged 0-5. We want to know how you and your child feel about 'belonging' in Bristol. Your feedback will influence an overarching plan for children and families across the city. This will be known as the 'Belonging Strategy'.

<https://bristol.citizenspace.com/children-families-services/belonging-from-the-beginning-a-survey-for-parents/>

Gympanzees

Gympanzees, a Bristol-based social enterprise that provides leisure facilities for children with disabilities, has set up a lending library of some of their resources so that families can use them at home whilst the regular Gympanzee pop-ups and classes can't take place. We've had great feedback from a local family.

<https://lendinglibrary.gympanzees.org/>

Reception News

Dear parents and carers,

This week we will continue to think about Stories from Around the World. Our focus text this week is called 'Sing to the Moon'. The Characteristics of Effective Learning we will be covering is from Creating and Thinking Critically: Having their own ideas and thinking of ideas.

Here is a rough outline of the activities that we will be covering next week but please note they may be completed on different days in each class.

<u>Monday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading books to be collected in• Focus Book: Sing to the Moon• Phonics – h• Maths – Comparing 1, 2 and 3• PSHE – Our Rights
<u>Tuesday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – b• Maths – Comparing 1, 2 and 3• Jellyfish Class PE (Yoga)• Where in the World? – An insight into how children live in different parts of the world.
<u>Wednesday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – f• Maths – Comparing 1,2 and 3• Writing task – Writing CVC words, my name and tricky words.• Octopus Class PE (Yoga)• Gardening Club – Octopus <p>New reading books will be sent home</p>



Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – ff• Maths – Comparing 1, 2 and 3• Listening and attention session• Art Investigation – colour mixing• Philosophy Discussion: Should we always tell the truth?
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Odd Socks Day• Starfish Class PE (Yoga)• Phonics – blending and segmenting practise• Maths – Comparing 1, 2 and 3

Our Favourite Stories

The children have begun to bring in their favourite stories from home to share in class. It is so exciting to share them with everyone. Please write your child's name in the front of the book in case we have duplicate copies.

Pumpkin Donations

Thank you for all your generous donations of pumpkins last week. The children had fun carving them and enjoyed cooking and eating the seeds and flesh.

Wet Weather Clothes

At this time of year we expect there to be more rain and it inevitably gets colder. Please ensure your child brings to school a waterproof coat and a school jumper or cardigan to keep them warm.

Tricky Words

Alongside the phonics each week the children will be learning to read and write the tricky words I, no, go, to, into and the. If you would like to support your child's learning at home further, this is an easy 5-minute activity to do every day. Flashcards – write each word down (see tricky words above) and show them to your child one at a time. If they don't know it you can tell them straight away. We saw a brilliant example of how this can be adapted into a fun game on Tapestry where a parent had organised a tricky word treasure hunt! If you have any more creative or inventive ways to teach your child/children these words please share with us on Tapestry. Please speak to your class teacher if you are unsure about what to do.

PTA News

Virtual Winter Balloon Race

We will be holding our first Virtual Balloon Race this December!

A virtual race works in the same way as a helium balloon race, except the balloons fly around their own webpage rather than in the atmosphere. Each balloon costs £2.50 and you can buy as many as you want. You can choose what you want to call your balloon.

On Sunday 6th December all the balloons will be 'released' and left to fly around. At the end of the race on Sunday 13th December the balloons which have travelled the farthest will win a prize! Once the race has started you can track your balloons on our own race page –

<https://www.balloonrace.com/southvillepta>



There will be prizes for the winners! More details and balloons are now available on [PTA events](#).

This a family-friendly, fun event just before the end of term. All money raised will go towards a new library for the school. Please take a look at <https://www.balloonrace.com/southvillepta> for the "Free entry by post" option.



Christmas Cards Order

The deadline to order is 15th November.

Christmas Trees & Eco Charity Christmas Crackers

Great quality, locally grown Christmas Trees and crackers are still available via [PTA events](#). Please note, only payments in advance will be accepted. Collection will be on Saturday 5th December.



Contact: Southville.primary.pta@gmail.com

Please join [Southville Primary PTA facebook](#) page to keep up-to-date

Please find below the PTA committee members and class reps for this academic year. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered for these roles.

Committee roles:

Chair: Tarnjit Khera

Vice Chair: Charlotte Todd Brady

Secretary: Elspeth Steel

Treasurer: Liz Newton

Class reps:

Preschool: Becci Grant

Jellyfish: Isabel Kearney & Lisa Oakes

Starfish: Helen Beach

Octopus: Sofia Girnary & Jo Sweetman

Butterflies: Kate Pearce

Bear: Tarnjit Khera

Badgers: Isabel Alma & Helen Jackson

Flamingo: Teresa Osborne

Falcon: Sophie Causon-Wood & Emma Causon-Wood

Fox: Tara Yapp

Hedgehog: Charlotte Todd Brady

Heron: Mithila Shafiq

Honey Bee: Emma McCormack

Koala: Caroline Martin



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Kangaroos: Alex Leigh
Kiwi: Laura Abrahams (1st half of yr) & Rose Taylor (2nd half of yr)
Leopard: Natalie Sanfilippo
Lion: Catherine Downer & Sophie Scott
Lemur: Laura McFadden
Pelican: Sarah Berridge
Penguins: Nicky Scott
Puffin: Faye Johnson