

School-wide News

Covid restrictions update

We are making a few changes to our restrictions in school in response to the government's roadmap and guidance. We are keeping to our class bubbles, but are easing a few of our restrictions so that we can bring children from the year group together when we feel it is of real benefit to them. This will enable us to hold year group assemblies, run intervention groups with children from different classes, and organise Sports Day with our house teams.

We still promote the wearing of facemasks at pick-ups and drop-offs, but recognise that this is your choice as parents and carers. Visitors onsite will still need to wear a facemask.

Fantastic Learning

Mr Commander was very impressed with Year 5's pop art homework which was inspired by their work on Roy Lichtenstein as part of their topic about the 1960s. The bold use of colours and attention to detail really stood out.



Mr Pearce has seen some wonderful butterfly life cycle fact files in year 1, as well as some thoughtful and probing letters to local shops written by the food heroes in year 2! It was great to see the children bringing together what they had learned in their immersive lessons to write for a real audience.

Donations

Thank you for your kind donations today, which will go towards purchasing new outdoor play equipment for the children to use at playtimes.

Zones of Regulation

Earlier this week, Miss Charnock hosted a meeting for all interested parents to find out more about the Zones of Regulation programme that the school have introduced this term. We have uploaded the slides used during the meeting for those of you who could not make the meeting. They can be viewed by clicking here:

<https://www.southville.bristol.sch.uk/media/1343/zones-parents-meeting.pdf>

Jailbreak Tournament

Year 5 went to Ashton Gate Stadium to take part in an exciting “invasion game” competition. It was great to be back competing against other local primary schools and the children had a brilliant time. The team were fantastic and showed some great teamwork. We are looking forward to taking part in more sporting competitions in Term 6.

Sports Day



Confirmed for Thursday 17th and Friday 18th June at the field at Compass Point school, we've planned an exciting set of activities and races for the children to take part in as usual. In line with government guidance on keeping group sizes below 30, we are happy to invite parents to attend the event this year. We will share more details about the

supported by our plant sale to buy a seedling last week. We raised £32 for our Reception class. Thank you to Ms Kerr for organising and for her ongoing work with the gardening club.

PTA News

The next PTA meeting will be on Thursday 10th June, 7:30pm, via zoom (see attached agenda for details). All parents, carers and teachers are welcome.

Community News

BS3 Space Trail



We previously sent out information about the Space Trail which is taking place in our community over half term. Of course we wanted to get involved, so this week we have been creating our own arty stars to add to the trail – look out for these hanging on the school fence on Stackpool Road if you join the trail.

Here are some links to find out more about the project:

Website: <https://bs3community.org.uk/event/bs3-space-trail/>

Promotional video: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=lvvlhu1vVds>

Food Bank Update

This week I would like to thank YOU!

Because of all the amazing donations we were able to provide much needed holiday food parcels.

Donations are always much needed and gratefully received.

<https://paypal.me/pools/c/8qnlItXQg>



Victoria Park Baptist Church FOODBANK VOUCHER

I can refer families for a voucher. If you feel this would help, please email me.

The Food Bank is open every Friday 10am -12pm at Victoria Park Baptist Church (Charles Padfield Centre) on Sylvia Ave, BS3 5DA.

Paula.mathias@bristol-schools.uk

Year Group News and Reminders

Preschool

Seahorse Class is proud to announce the opening of our wonderful ice cream cafe this week! Just in time for some sunny days... What would you choose?

We have also been exploring using big brushes to paint our giant boxes.



We are very excited to be returning in Term 6 with a fun-filled **circus** theme!

To celebrate this, we have planned a **circus dressing up day on Wednesday 16th June**. If your child would like to dress up a little - or a lot - this hopefully gives you a little notice. Ideas could include: an animal, acrobat, strongman or even a clown... we can't wait to see them!

Reception

We have had a fantastic term and can't believe how quickly it has flown by. We know you will have lots of questions about the transition into year one as we progress towards the end of the year. Please be reassured that your questions will be answered soon.

We hope you have a wonderful half term and when you return our final topic will be called 'We are Writers'. We will be focusing on retelling stories, writing about characters, story settings and story language. Here is a rough outline of some of the activities that we will be covering but please note they may be completed on different days in each class.

<u>Monday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – Assessment• Maths – Doubling• Reading books and Reading Records will be collected to be quarantined• Jellyfish PE - Athletics
<u>Tuesday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RE: How do we celebrate our journey through life?• Phonics – Assessment• Maths – Doubling
<u>Wednesday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – Assessment• Reading - New reading books will be issued and sent out• Maths – Spatial reasoning• Gardening Club - Jellyfish Class
<u>Thursday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – Assessment• Maths – Doubles• Philosophy -• Octopus PE - Athletics
<u>Friday</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phonics – Assessment• Maths – Spatial reasoning• Writing - Story Maps of The Little Red Hen• Starfish PE - Athletics

PE kit

Please ensure that the children are coming in in their PE kit on their designated PE day, see below for a reminder of each class's days.

Jellyfish - Monday

Octopus - Thursday

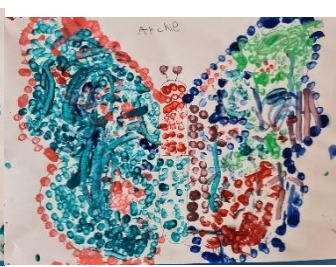
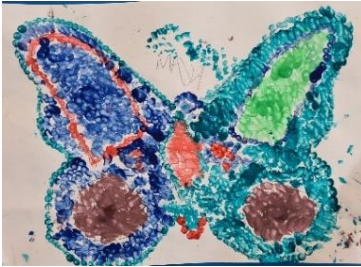
Starfish - Friday

Observations of learning

We love seeing observations of the children learning at home. Please feel free to show us anything that you get up to during the half term holiday period.

Year 1

This week we have been learning all about mini-beasts, following on from our visit to the farm. We have learnt lots of brilliant facts. We made Butterfly fact files, created some lovely art work including butterflies using the technique Pointillism and we also got to look at the inside of a beehive thanks to Jacob's daddy. What another fascinating week!



Awesome Africa is our topic after half term. We have an exciting visit planned for the first Tuesday back where the children will be learning African drumming, Adinkra printing and some dancing. Please ensure you have paid the contribution so that the visit can go ahead.

Also, in preparation for some African inspired art can each child please bring in a 4 pint milk bottle and some newspaper ready for week beginning 14th June. Thank you!

PE

Bears – Mondays and Thursdays

Badgers – Tuesdays and Thursdays

Butterflies – Wednesdays and Thursdays

NumBots

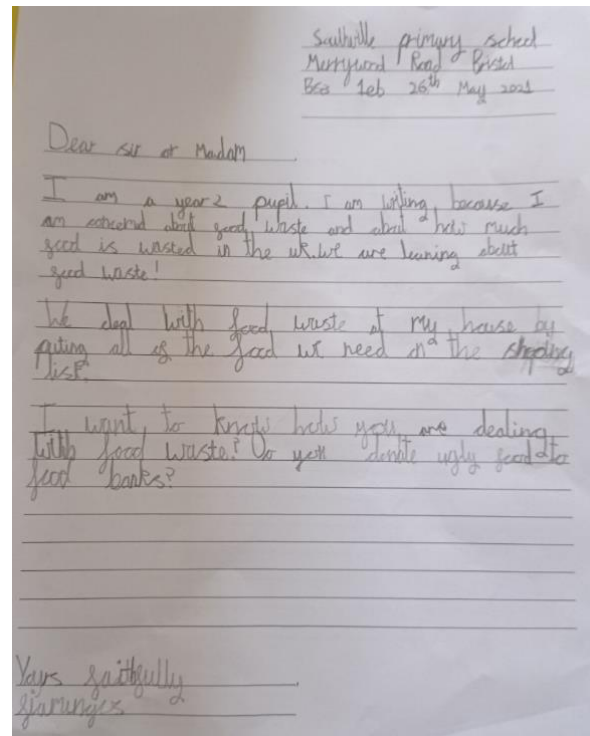
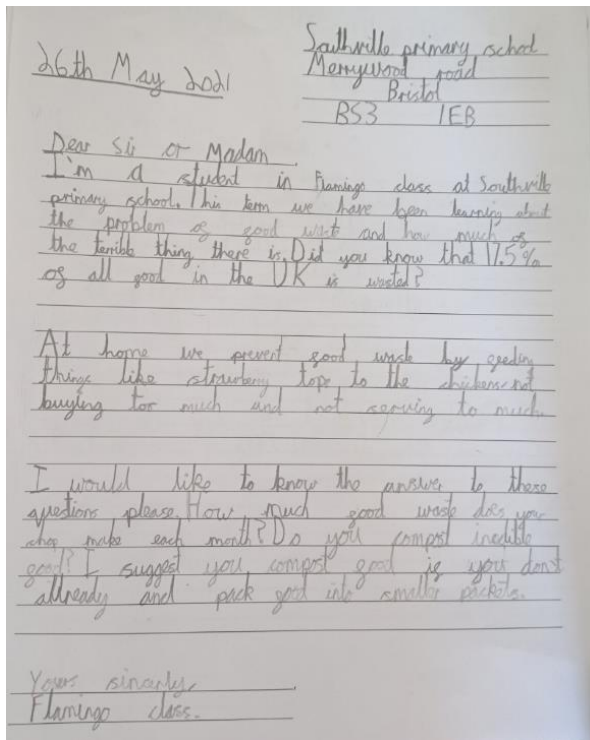
Please remember to keep practising the number facts at home by playing NumBots. If you have forgotten your login details, contact your child's class teacher.

Please can your child bring in a bottle of water with them every day.

Please note that toys of any size are not to be brought into school.

Year 2

This term in year 2, we have become food heroes! We have learnt about food waste in the UK and what we can do to help prevent it. This week we have written letters to local shops and supermarkets to ask them about food waste and what they do to reduce it. Here are some examples of the fantastic letters we have written:



This week we have been getting our stars ready for the Space Trail.



PE

Falcon – Mondays and Tuesdays

Flamingo – Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Fox – Tuesdays and Fridays

Reading

Please ensure that your child brings their school reading book and reading record to school each Monday so that books can be quarantined, and new books issued on Wednesdays. Thank you!

Times tables

Please practise times tables at home on TT Rockstars. If you have forgotten your login details, contact your child's class teacher.

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Term 6

Our topic next term is Terrific Trees and Powerful Plants. During our first day back, we will be doing some still life drawing. If you have any plants that you wouldn't mind bringing in for the day, for us to draw, that would be greatly appreciated.

New spellings and homework will be added to Google Classroom before the start of next term. We will not have a spelling check the first week back.

Are there any parents who have a job linked to plants and/or trees who would like to come in or record a video linked to our topic? Please email the office if you are interested. Thank you! 😊

Year 3

Term 6 Topic will be: Oh Grow Up! Flowering plants and human changes/lifecycle.

For the 1st day of term, our Wow Day we will be making grassheads and doing some art. **Please bring in** : Newspapers, a pair of nylon tights, a clean individual yoghurt pot, any grass seed you may have and 2 googly eyes. If anyone has an excess of cotton wool (not balls or pads) or compost, that would be brilliant too! Thank you.

Tables

Keep practising your tables. You are doing a fantastic job! Don't forget the division facts too eg: $3 \times 8 = 24$
 $24 \text{ divided by } 3 = 8$

Practise your x2, x3, x4, x5, x8 and x10 tables. Then your x6 and x7 if you know the others really well. Please try to practice 3 or 4 times a week. It really helps their maths.

PE days have changed for Term 6 – see below

Heron – Wednesdays Thursdays (run day- trainers only)

Hedgehog – Tuesdays PE clothes day. Thursdays (run day- trainers only)

Honeybee – Fridays Wednesdays (run day- trainers only)

Year 3 will also have 'Daily Mile' running sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays. (Thursdays-Hedgehog)

Reading

All Year 3 --Please ensure that your child brings their book bag and reading record to school every day next week – it is essential that we can get an idea of the current level of your child's reading. Thank you!

Year 4

French acting stars!!

Year 4 have been learning the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears in French. Watch them retell the story and their own versions on the class page of Google Classrooms.

Term 6 Topic will be Australia: Life Down Under

The topic has a geography and science focus.

All children have been given a homework 'menu' and spellings list for the term. Homework is also set on Google Classroom. Your child may choose an assignment from the menu each week and submit it in that week's homework portal on classroom. Spellings are tested on Fridays.

PE

Kiwi, Koala and Kangaroo

PE on Mondays

Daily mile on Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Reading

All Year 4 --Please ensure that your child brings their school reading book and reading record to school each Monday so that books can be quarantined, and new books issued on Wednesdays. Please write a short comment in the reading record each time you hear your child read. It helps to keep track of progress and identify next steps in your child's reading journey. Thank you!

If your child has lost their reading record, you may purchase a new one from the school office for a small charge. It is important that each child has a reading record and brings it to school every week.

Year 5

Reminder – term 6 - old T-shirt needed

Our topic next term will be *Climate Warriors*. We will be upcycling an old T-shirt each. All children, please bring an old T-shirt to cut up and make into something else - any size will do. Due Monday 7th June – first day back, so please save any items that would be useful.

Water

We will send all children's water bottles home for a wash during the holidays. Please remember only water no squash to be sent into school.

Homework

Please continue to complete the homework set on Google Classroom each week. Homework will be available from Thursday evening and need to be 'turned in' on Google Classroom by the following Wednesday. Remember to keep practising your times tables on TTRockstars too. All spellings can also be found on Google classroom and new sets have been issued for term 6.

PE Term 6

Lemur – Tuesdays

Leopard – Tuesdays

Lion – Tuesdays

Year 5 will also have 'Daily Mile' running sessions on Thursdays and Fridays.

French

Stars

In French Year 5 have been learning a story about Jacques, a greedy boy who keeps on eating. Watch them retell the story and their own versions on the class page of Google classroom.

Reading

All Year 5 -Please ensure that your child brings their reading record to school every week – it is essential that we can see the current level and amount of your child's reading. Please update regularly with your home reading and make sure an adult signs your book. We will be checking these every Thursday so bring your books in please.

Some excellent Pop Art from Year 5, inspired by Andy Lichenstein!





Year 6

Term 6 Hook Day

Just a quick reminder that next term, we will be immersing ourselves in a new topic – Curious Crime! This is always an excellent topic to teach and the children always really enjoy writing Cluedo-inspired detective stories and learning about electric circuits to build their own miniature police cars. As it is the children's last hook day, we have decided to do a dress-up day! On **Monday 7th June**, please come dressed as a character or detective inspired by the board game Cluedo. You can use clothes you already have at home and be as creative as you like. We can't wait to see your creations on the first day back of term 6.

Homework & Spellings

Year 6 homework can be found on Google classrooms. Please submit your responses via google classrooms by the date shown on the homework sheet. Remember to keep practising your times tables on TTRockstars too. All spellings can also be found on Google classroom, along with the dates of each weekly test.

PE

Puffins – Thursdays

Penguins – Thursdays

Pelicans – Thursdays

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