

Happy Friday!

Christmas Tree Sale and Grotto... I just wanted to say a huge thank you to Helen and the PTA team for an incredible amount of work this festive period. Despite the complications and restrictions at the moment, the tree sale, grotto, virtual balloon race and cracker sales are providing a welcome slice of community festive fun as well as raising much-appreciated money for school. They have been working tirelessly for weeks so on behalf of us all in school, thank you!

If you are booked in for a grotto or tree collection slot tomorrow, please check your time – it has been meticulously organised to keep it as safe and manageable as possible.

Festive performances... Thank you for your understanding and positive messages in relation to the changing arrangements for our festive performances, and for co-ordinating 'the great ticket exchange' between yourselves when necessary in EYFS and Year 1. We are really looking forward to welcoming you all and ask you to help us to minimise the covid risk by following the following steps:

Before you come:

- 1. Be vigilant and if you have a continuous cough, raised temperature or change to smell/taste please do not attend.
- 2. If possible, please carry out a lateral flow test before leaving home.
- 3. Please ensure you have a ticket this is so we can limit the size of the gathering to two adults per child.

While you are here:

- 1. Please wear a face covering unless you are exempt.
- 2. For indoor performances, please remain in your seat throughout.
- 3. Please ensure any younger siblings remain on your lap at all times.

We are not anticipating any further changes to the arrangements regarding these performances, but will continue to monitor the situation, both in and out of school and will respond as appropriate in order to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Festive Dinner... Our Christmas lunch is on the 9th December and the children are welcome to bring a festive jumper, hat and/or accessories to wear for the event. They can come to school wearing them BUT we cannot take responsibility for lost items so please ensure they are named and/or not particularly valuable! (There's nothing quite like a practical lost property reminder at this magical time of year!).

Thank you in advance for the offers of help with the Christmas lunch. Please see the PTA section for more info and how to sign up to help.

Communication... The PTA are incredibly important part of school life and a valuable link between parents and school and as such they often get asked questions by other parents about events in school. Please do also feel welcome to contact us directly with any school-related questions as it is important to me that we know what's on your mind so I can make sure our communication is as timely and clear as possible.

Have a lovely weekend, Andy Bowman

Congratulations... to Harry in Year 6 (and his mum) who took part in The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity's 'Walk 60 miles in November' challenge. Not only did they complete the challenge, but they have raised an incredible £1470 for this excellent cause. Well done Harry!





SEND support information...

Support for children, young people and their parents/carers about SEND.

https://www.sendandyou.org.uk/

https://www.bristolparentcarers.or g.uk/2021/05/24/flora-bristolssend-local-offer/

School Uniform Sale... We have brand new school uniform with the old logo on that is a shame to go to waste.

The items will be on sale on both sites on Monday and can be taken for a donation or free if you need it.

Please speak to Paula Mathias for more information.

OPAL play... Next week we will be carrying out first playground monitoring session on both sites. We will then be holding a core group meeting with representatives from the staff, governing body and the PTA.

The children have been telling us about their wishes for their play spaces and we will continue to ask questions and seek their ideas as we move forward. The children are central to this process and we love hearing their ideas.

<u>Donations</u>: If you have any 'Loose parts' donations then please don't hesitate to email the school office who will put you in contact with me. Mr Potter



MONDAY	SNACK & CHILL - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	BASKETBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 & 4				
	MY TIME - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	DODGEBALL CLUB - YEAR 5 & 6				
	BREAKFAST CLUB - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	POTTERY CLUB - YEAR 5 & 6				
TUESDAY	SNACK & CHILL - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	HOCKEY CLUB - YEAR 3 & 4				
Contraction shows have	MY TIME - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR 5 & 6				
See	BREAKFAST CLUB - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	CREATIVE WORKSHOPS - YEAR 3 & 4				
WEDNESDAY	SNACK & CHILL - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	NETBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 & 4				
	MY TIME - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	BASKETBALL CLUB - YEAR 5 & 6				
	BREAKFAST CLUB - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	CREATIVE WORKSHOPS - YEAR 5 & 6				
THURSDAY	SNACK & CHILL - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 & 4				
	MY TIME - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6					
	BREAKFAST CLUB - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6	MULTI SPORTS CLUB - YEAR 3 - 6				
FRIDAY	SNACK & CHILL - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6					
	MY TIME - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6					
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Christmas/Winter food parcel

I can't believe we only have two weeks left until the end of term.

Two weeks to put together our winter parcels.

With your help we can make the parcels a very special gift for families who need them.

What do we need?

As you can see last year, the parcels not only contained store cupboard items but some tasty holiday treats. Such as:

- Mince pies,
- Special biscuits,
- Cakes,
- Hot chocolate snowmen,
- Chocolates,
- Crackers
- Fresh veg (which will be purchased on parcel delivery day)

You can take your donations to either office.

To provide a financial donation please click on the link below. If you would like to donate food or store cupboard items, I am happy to collect from either office.

https://app.investmycommunity.com/southville-primary-school-2730

If you would like to receive a parcel, please email me directly paula.mathias@bristol-schools.uk





Sirona School Health Nurse Webinars - December 2021







Keeping Your Child Happy and Healthy Thursday 2 December 10-11am

Healthy Eating Monday 6 December 10-11am





Wed 8 December 9:30-10:30am

Helping Your Child With Sleep Friday 10 December 10-11am







book onto the event

you wish to attend

10-11am Click on the icon to



Company Reg. No: 07585003 | Sirona care & health, 2nd Floor, Kingswood Civic Centre , High Street, Kingswood, Bristol, BS159TR

Your Child's Dental Health Friday 3 December 10-11am

Continence in Children and Young People **Tuesday 7 December** 1-2pm

Eating Disorder Awareness Thursday 9 December



Nursery...

This week in Nursery, we've been thinking about our kind gentle hands; our class puppet Eric the tortoise has been to visit and we've been gently stroking him and using our quiet indoor voices, so we don't scare him into his shell!

We've been doing lots of large-scale painting and drawing and of course plenty of water and messy play fun!

Each day we've been practising our lovely snowflake dance, we can't wait to show you and shake our pom poms!

Winter Show Changing Helpers

Next week is our winter show!

Due to the early start of the morning productions (Tuesday 7th December 9:15 and Thursday 9th December 9:15), please can we ask, if possible, that parents pop into class with their child to help them change into their costume?

On these two days we will open the classroom doors at 8:50, to allow a little more time to get changed and toileted before the 9:15 start.

If you are able to pop in for the costume change, that would be fantastic!

Please don't worry if you are not doing the school drop off that day, as we will be there to change your little one.

Many thanks

Reception...

Dear Families,

Our focus next week is showtime! We will be discussing the range of jobs involved in creating performance art. Our special person is Ella Fitzgerald. We are very excited to perform for you our production of A Snowman at Sunset, which the children have been working very hard on!

Each week our children will be accessing resources from our continuous provision. Here are our specific focuses for the next week:

Recept	ion continued				
	Area of Learning	Week beginning 06.12.21			
	Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)	 Standing up for yourself - I know which words to use to stand up for myself when someone does says something unkind. Zones of Regulation 			
	Communication and Language	 'Bucket Time'(Attention Circle Times) Philosophy Circle Time - Should we share everything with our friends? 			
	Physical Development	 Yoga 			
	Literacy	 Focus text - 'Little Big, People Dreams - Ella Fitzgerald' Phonics - We are <u>learning:</u> v, w, x, y Writing task - Christmas cards 1:1 reading 			
	Mathematics	One more and one less			
	Understanding the World	 Career talks from parent volunteers Forest School - Friday 10th December - Jellyfish Class Experimental cookery - groups from each class on rotation every few weeks Showtime - what jobs do people do at a theatre/ concert hall? 			
	Expressive Arts and Design	 Music - performing songs for the winter performance Winter craft - Christmas cards, salt dough decorations A range of Forest School craft 			
Characteristic of Effective Learning focus		 Active learning - motivation - Being involved and concentrating 			

Additional Information

Winter performance - A Snowman at Sunset

Please send your child in with their costume on Monday 6th December in a named bag. Please name every item. A huge thank you in advance for your help and please try not to go to too much trouble!

Starfish - coat, hat, scarves and gloves

Jellyfish - snow people

Octopus - suns

Please try to attend on your allotted day, as communicated by Mr Bowman earlier this week:

9.15 on 7th December - Starfish

2.00 on 8th December - Jellyfish

9.15 on 9th December - Octopus

Year 1...

Winter Play – Ralph the Reindeer:

The Year 1 production is coming along nicely! If your child is speaking in the performance, please keep supporting them at home by encouraging them to use a loud, clear voice!

The children will need to bring in their costume in a named carrier bag on Friday 10th December. Please make sure that ALL parts of the costume are named- it is surprising how easy it is for costumes to become muddled! Also just a reminder, that due to the hall being well ventilated its will be fairly chilly, so please ensure you add an extra layer of two to your child's costume.

All tickets should have come home by now- please let the office know if you haven't received a ticket for the performance.

Christmas Crafts:

A reminder that your child will need to bring in a small glass jar ready for Tuesday 14th December. If they bring it in before this date, then please can they hand it straight to the class teacher so we can store them safely.

<u>P.E.</u>

Due to the Reception performances in the hall next week, PE next Tuesday, with Bristol Sports, will be outside. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the colder weather and has a coat in school.

Year 2...

We have had fun this week building our 1666 houses ready for our re-enactment of the Great Fire of London this Friday!



To bring in

On Monday we will be making fire engines! Please can every child please bring in a small box (shoe box size or slightly smaller).

PE

Just a reminder that PE days this term are:

- Fox: Monday and Thursday
- Falcon: Tuesday and Thursday
- Flamingo: Thursday and Friday

Forest School

Falcon had a fantastic afternoon in the forest on Wednesday. They made dens, leaf art and bug hotels and played hide and seek!

Year 3...

Thank you to all those who have bought in lights for the Bedminster Winter Lantern Parade. We can't wait to get started on our individual and group lanterns next week!

More information about the parade will be sent out over the coming days.



Year 4...

DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)' school initiative.

Please make sure your child has their reading book and record in school every Thursday.

Modern Foreign Language - French

Please make sure you check out the children's Boucles D'or performance on our Google classroom platform

Year 5...

We are really looking forward to our carol concert on the 17th December and we have been busy practising our songs. Your child has been sent home with a copy of the lyrics and it would be great if they could spend a little time learning the words at home. A copy of the lyrics will be posted onto their Google Classrooms too.

Thank you!

Year 6...

We are really looking forward to our carol concert on the 17th December and we have been busy practising our songs. Your child has been sent home with a copy of the lyrics and it would be great if they could spend a little time learning the words at home. A copy of the lyrics will be posted onto their Google Classrooms too.

Thank you!

As mentioned last week, Year 6 will be designing and creating bags during the last week of term. An email was sent out on 26/11/21 with further information. If you would like another copy of this, please get in touch with the year 6 teachers.

Could we also, please, give a gentle reminder that all children should have their school library book and reading record with them every Thursday. This is part of our whole school 'DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)' school initiative.





Thank you to everyone who purchased a balloon for our virtual balloon race. The balloons are ready to be set off at noon on the 5th December. They will race virtually for a week, ending at noon on the 12th December. The final finishing positions

will determine whether you have won one of the amazing hampers!

The prize list was featured in last week's newsletter. You can follow the progress of your balloon at:

https://www.balloonrace.com/southvillewinter21

Please enter the name of your balloon which can be found on your order confirmation.

Volunteers:

New Library- in preparation for its opening next year, the school has asked the PTA for help to carry out a stock take of the current books at Myrtle site. Thank you to those of you who have been cataloguing hundreds of books already. If have some spare time and would like to help, it would be very gratefully received! Please email me at <u>southvilleprimarypta@gmail.com.</u>

Christmas Theatre Trips – Volunteers are needed for every class to help walk the children from school to the theatre and back again, after the performances. If you would like to volunteer to help walk with your child's class, please email <u>southvilleprimarypta@gmail.com</u> with your name, number, and child class. A reminder of the timetable:

Group	Show	Date	Venue	Time	Duration	Cost per ticket/child
Nursery	The Reluctant Dragon	w/c 13/12/2021	Virtual Show	N/A	50 min	£2.00
Rec	Anansi's Big Adventure	17/12/2021	Bristol Old Vic	10.30 am	50 min	£3.60
¥1	Anansi's Big Adventure	17/12/2021	Bristol Old Vic	1.30 pm	50 min	£3.60
Y2	Robin Hood	14/12/2021	Bristol Old Vic	10.00 am	2 hours	£5.30
Y3	Robin Hood	14/12/2021	Bristol Old Vic	10.00 am	2 hours	£5.30
¥4	Oz	16/12/2021	Tobacco Factory	12.00 pm	1.5 hours	£6.00
Y5	Oz	15/12/2021	Tobacco Factory	1.00 pm	1.5 hours	£6.00
Y6	Oz	15/12/2021	Tobacco Factory	1.00 pm	1.5 hours	£6.00

Christmas Lunches – Would you like to come and help during your child's Christmas lunch on the 9th December? We are looking for parent volunteers to join us in making the lunch even more magical. The PTA has purchased an eco-friendly cracker for every child, and we will make the lunch hall feels really Christmassy. If you would like to sign up, it's on a first come, first serve basis. The volunteering slots go live at 5pm today:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/southvilleprimarypta

Please check you are signing up for the correct year group!

Next PTA meeting – Wednesday 12th January 2022 Location: Myrtle Site Time: 7:30pm