

### Happy Friday!

**After School Enrichment Clubs...** It has been great to see our new enrichment clubs getting up and running and, alongside the established favourites of drama, Spanish and the range of Shine activities, see the activities on offer widen. Mrs Flaecher is continuing to look ahead and we are hoping to be able to bring you news of more clubs for both sites soon.

We have had several enquiries about the use of child care vouchers to pay for the enrichment clubs and unfortunately we are not able to offer this. Shine can accept them however, as they are a registered childcare provider.

**Curriculum information...** At our school, we learn many subjects under one umbrella; we call this 'Immersive Learning' as the children are fully immersed in a particular topic or theme for a term and become experts in that area of the curriculum. Our immersive curriculum combines writing, history, geography, art, design & technology and science, plus other subjects such as mathematics and physical education where appropriate.

Over the past two weeks, the children have been enjoying getting stuck into their new topics. If you would like to find out more about what your child is learning this term, scroll down to the bottom of their year group page to the 'Useful links' section and click on the tab entitled 'Term 4 MT Overview': <a href="https://www.southville.bristol.sch.uk/learning/curriculum-guide/year-groups/">https://www.southville.bristol.sch.uk/learning/curriculum-guide/year-groups/</a>

Our Twitter page is a great way to see some of the children's fantastic learning in action... <a href="https://twitter.com/southville\_prim">https://twitter.com/southville\_prim</a>

Have a lovely weekend, Andy Bowman

#### Safeguarding...

There are many questions being raised by the children at the moment both at home and in school regarding everything that is currently happening in Ukraine. If you would like help or advice then the following link is a useful starter

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zvpvbqt

**We are recruiting!** The school has vacancies for an SMSA and a Kitchen Assistant currently advertised on the Eteach website. If you know of anyone who might be interested in either role, please pass the information along.

- SMSA (School Meals Supervising Assistant): <a href="https://www.eteach.com/job/school-meals-supervisory-assistant-1216113">https://www.eteach.com/job/school-meals-supervisory-assistant-1216113</a>
- Kitchen Assistant: https://www.eteach.com/job/kitchen-assistant-1212293

#### **School Council**

This week we have re-established our School Council with every Key Stage 1 and 2 class carrying out a secret ballot to vote in their representative.

Our school council is set up in the following way...

#### Key Stage 2

Key Stage	1
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Year group	Class	Number of representatives
Year 1	Bear class	2
	Badger class	2
	Butterfly class	2
Year 2	Falcon class	2
	Flamingo class	2
	Fox class	2

Year group	Class	Number of representatives
Year 3	Hedgehog class	1
	Heron class	1
	Honeybee class	1
Year 4	Kiwi class	1
	Koala class	1
	Kangaroo class	1
Year 5	Lemur class	1
	Lion class	1
Leopard class		1
Year 6	Year 6 Pelican class 1	
	Puffin class	1
	Penguin class	1

The children carried out this process very well and are very keen to get going with our first meeting. The class reps with provide the views from their class with the Year 6 taking the lead on chairing. More information will follow in the near future.



# Fun fact

This week a few of our meals have includes the super fruit pineapple.



We've made over 500 portions of our delicious pineapple upside down cake, an old school favourite!

Our sweet and sour chicken also has fresh pineapple included in the sauce.

On Thursday, we have fresh fruit salad! We chop 20 fresh pineapples for the salad along with juicy melons and sweet oranges.



#### **OPAL** play

Looking through the **OPAL window** into our playground. What can you see?



#### Merrywood

The children have had a great week playing with the equipment at lunchtime. We have had a number of generous plastic box donations this week that the children continue to use to transport things around the playground, even each other!!

#### Myrtle

The children have had another brilliant week building and creating using all the equipment. A

#### **Project**

We are looking to develop vertical planting systems across the sites to develop our natural environment. If you have any ideas or have practical tips on how we can do this effectively then please get in touch.

#### **Donations this week**

We continue to need natural materials for both sites: planks, logs etc The children also love to make dens using tarpaulins. If you have any spare ones, in good condition, around your property that you would like to donate then please deliver to Mr Potter.

# **Year Group Updates**

#### Nursery...

This week we have continued with the wonderful story of 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas. We have enjoyed some colour sorting activities and coloured in monsters. During our group times have chatted about how the monster is feeling when he is red, green, yellow, blue or black. We have been able to think about times when we feel like this too.

We have talked about how we use our kind, gentle hands when we play; with the story 'Be Gentle' by Virginia Miller.

Next week we will be drawing some self-portraits and having a go at looking really carefully in the mirror, to notice our unique features that make us so fabulous!

#### Reception...

Dear Families,

This week our focus is 'Herbivorous Dinosaurs'! We will be learning and writing facts about our favourite plant eating dinosaurs. We will be reading lots of different non fiction books to find out lots of facts.

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

Area of Learning	Week beginning 14.03.22
Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)	Zones of Regulation - Strategies to return to the green zone     PSHE circle times - Jigsaw Food Glorious Food.
Communication and Language	Philosophy Circle Time - Which dinosaur was the smartest?
Physical Development	PE - Dinosaur Dance
Literacy	Writing - Deadly Dinosaur fact writing Phonic lesson focuses: Using all digraphs and trigraphs learnt so far to write longer words.  Ai,ee igh, oo,oo,oa, er, ur, oa, or, ear, air, sh,ch, th, ng,nk,ll,dd,bb,ff,tt,mm,ss, oi,ow, ar. Reading Practice Sessions
Mathematics	Number Bonds to 10
Understanding the World	RE - Spring     Forest School - Octopus Class 18th March
Expressive Arts and Design	Music - Match instruments to the sounds of dinosaurs     PE- Dinosaur Dance
Characteristic of Effective  Learning focus	Active Learning: Keep Trying

#### Rec continued...

#### Additional Information

Wow Moments from Home

We have really enjoyed reading all of the wonderful snippets of learning the children have been doing at home. It would be fantastic if each family could post something the children have been particularly enjoying this weekend. It could be a model they have made or a game they have played. It could be something they have found or a picture of a nature walk or visit. We look forward to seeing what the children are interested in.

#### Year 1...

#### Trip to the Aquarium

The children are really enjoying our topic of 'Life under water' and they all had a great day out at the aguarium. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to support us on these trips.

#### Life under water research

As part of our topic work, we would like the children to each research and learn about their favourite sea creature. Please log in to Google classroom to see a video from the TV presenter, Andy Day, asking them to do this. They will need to know where the creature lives (its habitat), what it eats, and be able to describe what it looks like. We are looking forward to hearing all about what the children have found out next week (week beginning 14th March). Many thanks for your support with this.

#### **Forest School**

Badger class had lots of fun in the forest this week! They made clay faces using natural materials, went on scavenger hunts and made seesaws! They will have their last session next Wednesday 16th.

Butterfly class will start their sessions on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March. Please ensure you have given consent for your child to attend Forest School. Ms Abercrombie and Miss Hall have contacted all parent helpers and we now have enough volunteers for all three sessions. Many thanks!

#### Year 2...

What a busy week! Year 2 have been busy learning facts and writing notes about their chosen rainforest animals, celebrating International Women's Day and painting some wonderful textured paper ready for our Eric Carle style animal collages.

#### **Spelling**

Thank you for all the hard work you are doing at home with the weekly spellings. In addition to this, we are going to put on our Google Classrooms a list of 100 high frequency words. We practice these words at school and would love children to practice these at home too. During parents' evenings, we will discuss which of the high frequency words your child is finding tricky to spell correctly in their writing.

#### **Zoo Trip**

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the zoo trip. We can only take 2-3 parents per class, so if you don't hear from the class teacher, you are not able to join us this time but can hopefully help in the future.

#### Year 3...

#### General:

Year 3 have made a super start to the term and been really enthusiastic about our Light topic, World Book Day and the opening of our new library ①. They did some very thoughtful art appreciation on our Wow! Day on Monday and are really enjoying creating their own Ode poems.

#### Fun ART and Light things to do

We have posted the links on Google Classrooms to interesting events that your children may be interested in:

Van Gogh Exhibition: The Immersive Experience - Bristol (vangoghexpo.com)

#### Year 5...

Year 5 have been enjoying designing 1960s fashion-inspired outfits this week, and have made a great start to their swimming lessons.

Over the next three weeks we will be experimenting with different printing techniques- and things may get a little messy! Please can you send your child in with an apron or old shirt to wear over the next few weeks - ideally this would stay in school until the end of this unit of work. Please don't buy anything - we do have some disposable plastic aprons that children can use, but it is usually more comfortable (and eco-friendly) to use ones from home if you have them.

From Monday, we are also in need of:

- styrofoam you may have some from left over packaging
- cardboard in different thicknesses
- newspaper

Anything you can bring in would be really appreciated.

#### Year 6...

A busy week for year 6.

We started our Chess lessons on Monday afternoon. This will continue throughout the year. As well as being a great board game to play, it will also help the children develop their strategical and logical thinking, as well as their reasoning skills.

Tuesday was International Woman's Day. This tied in perfectly with our topic looking at the Suffragette movement and the fight for the female vote. The children have been really engaged with this and it is a great topic to discuss and debate.





Events

#### Discos:

The next discos will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> March for Y1, Y3 and Y5 – held at Myrtle Site. The Y2, Y4 and Y6 disco's will be held on the 31<sup>st</sup> ~March – held at Myrtle Site.

Tickets can be purchased via the PTA Events App or the website:

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

#### Volunteering:

We still need a few helpers at the **Y4** and **Y5** Discos. Please use the volunteering section on the PTA website (link above) or via the App.

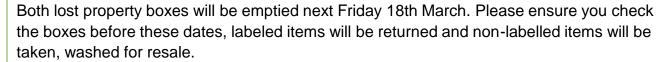
#### PTA App:

The PTA App can be downloaded on android and iPhone, search for 'PTA EVENTS'.

The organisation code is:

## Southvilleprimarypta





### **Upcoming PTA events:**

24th March- Y1, Y3, Y5 Spring Disco's

31st March- Y2, Y4, Y6 Spring Disco's

Dates for the summer fayre, games night, film nights and second hand uniform sale will be discussed and agreed at the next PTA meeting.

# The next PTA meeting will be held at Myrtle Site on the 22nd March 7.30pm

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the next meeting. We will have a zoom link for you to log on at home if you do not wish to attend in person. Agenda will follow next week.

# **Community fundraising event**

A group of local residents are organising a fundraising event for those fleeing Ukraine.

The event will be held at the **South Bank Club** on Dean Lane

### Sunday 13th March; 2-6pm

There will be several excellent ensembles and choirs from around Bristol, performing music with an Eastern European theme.

There will be a bar and soft drinks, the hall decorated with a Ukrainian theme, and the garden for extra space.

The charity we are raising for is the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR).



#### **Ticket Link:**

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/reach-new-beginnings-tickets-262474697887



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# **NEW PILATES CLASSES**



Come and join us for Pilates on Sunday mornings at Southville Primary School, Myrtle Street. Mixed ability classes for parents at Southville primary.

Starting on 6<sup>th</sup> March for 5 weeks. Running during term time.

These classes are based on the five core principles of Pilates and are designed to develop core control, strength, flexibility, alignment, coordination and balance.

Please contact Sarah at <a href="mailto:flowpilatesbristol@gmail.com">flowpilatesbristol@gmail.com</a> for more details and how to book!





#### Saturday Engineering Club at Bloodhound Education







Develop engineering skills by designing and building a prototype air-powered rocket car. Test your car on a variety of surfaces and modify your design to improve it before racing it on our indoor racetrack.

Explore how 3D printing (additive manufacturing) technology works and how it allows us to make things out of all sorts of materials with very little waste. Design and develop a prototype car using 3d printed parts. Experiment with different components and wheels to see how it affects performance before a group race.

#### When:

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am – 1pm Building air powered rocket cars

Saturday 9th April 10.30am – 1pm Explore 3D printing

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am – 1pm Building air powered rocket cars

Saturday 21st May 10.30am – 1pm Explore 3D printing

Who: Children age 6+ accompanied by an adult and family groups.

Where: Bloodhound Education Centre at Gloucestershire Science & Technology Park, Berkeley Green, GL13 9FB

Cost: £15 per adult, £10 per child including all materials and a souvenir of the day. Family Tickets: £40 per family up to 3 children. Under 5's free.

To book a place please visit our website: www.bloodhoundeducation.com Contact for more information: accounts@bloodhoundeducation.com

# KIDS YOGA COURSE!

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Our Yoga for Kids Course consists of weekly 45 minute classes that are fun, playful and relaxing!

Kids are introduced to yoga poses through fast and active play and learn to control their breath and consciously focus their mind during age appropriate relaxation exercises. We will also be doing some storytelling and going on journeys far and wide. Please do book on in advance for the term to book your spot.

BOOK HERE: TRIKAYOGA.CO.UK
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or email: contact@trikayoga.co.uk

#### Street theatre performance

The Arts council England and Bristol city council have funded a Street theatre performance. "Stars & sails" are doing a short performance as part of the East st welcome back event this Saturday (12th March). It is a free event The performance will be staged between the Sea Pearl fish & chip shop and Miss Millie's at 11 -11.30 am

