

Happy Friday!

Our missing Commander... You may have noticed that we have been one beard short this week. Mr Commander has been on paternity leave following the arrival of a baby girl just before half term. Everyone is doing well and we have been sending him and his family lots of love. He will be away for one further week and we will see him back in school the week after that.

Parent Governor reminder... On the 20th October I wrote to you via email to let you know we currently have a vacancy on the board for a Parent Governor.

The governing body has a vital role to play in making sure every child at Southville Primary receives the best possible education by:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The governor role is strategic rather than operational. Governors don't get involved with the day to day running of a school, but instead support and challenge the school's leadership team to drive school improvement. Generally, school governors are not specialists in education. Instead, each governor brings their own experiences and skills to the governing body, with all governors working together in the best interests of the children.

If you are interested, details on how to proceed are included in the letter circulated on the 20th. If you would like us to resend this to you, please contact the admin team.

Forest fun... I wanted to finish by sharing these lovely photos from Octopus Class' visit to the forest this week. Mrs Darwell puts so much thought and care into planning these sessions and come rain, wind or sunshine makes sure the children have a fantastic time.



Have a lovely weekend,

Andy Bowman

Safeguarding & Mentoring

Coffee Morning update

These sessions are there for you to come along with any concerns you'd like to discuss with us, as well as having some outside agencies come in to give you advice and guidance in particular areas. Each week we will focus on a different area, the next 2 weeks are listed below, more to follow

Friday 11th November will be a general session Friday 18th November will be to answer any queries in relation to the Year 5 Residential

We look forward to seeing you, Paula Mathias and Catherine Moody.

Practical and informative online sessions from your expert team of local School Health Nurses. <u>https://cchp.nhs.uk/cchp/explore-cchp/school-health-nursing/school-nursing-webinars-parents-</u> <u>carers -</u> Our webinars lasts between 30 and 45 minutes, with the opportunity to ask questions throughout. They're suitable for parents and carers of children and young people of all ages.

Keeping your child happy and healthy

For families who would like ideas to create and sustain a healthy lifestyle for the whole family. This webinar looks at diet and healthy eating, exercise, sleep, and emotional wellbeing. Book session: 18 November 2022, 10:30-11:30

Book session: 15 December 2022, 10:30-11:30

Healthy eating and physical activity

Find out how to maintain a healthy lifestyle, with advice on diet and exercise. Book session: 24 November 2022, 10:00-11:00 Book session: 12 December 2022, 10:00-11:00

Emotional wellbeing

This presentation explores anxiety, low mood, self-harm and eating difficulties and provides parents and carers with strategies and information to build resilience and empathetic listening for children and young people.

Book session: 8 November 2022, 9:30-10:30 Book session: 7 December 2022, 13:00-14:00

Eating disorder awareness

This webinar looks at behavioural, physical, and psychological signs of eating disorders including restrictive eating, emotional eating and binge eating. It includes information on where to get advice and support.

Book session: 29 November 2022, 13:00-14:00

Sleep

This webinar will provide you with hints and tips to help improve the duration and quality of your child's sleep.

Book session: 22 November 2022, 12:00-13:30 Book session: 14 December 2022, 10:30-12:00

Dental health

Our School Health Nursing Team will give advice on tooth brushing and tooth decay. Book session: 15 November 2022, 10:30-11:30 Book session: 1 February 2023, 13:30-14:30

Sirona Health Update

We have been advised that due to increasing numbers of referrals, high caseloads and limited capacity long wait times for both initial assessments and ongoing care are being experience. To manage this a review is being undertaken during which time there will be a delay in communicating referral outcomes to parents. Updated information can be found on the CCHP website https://cchp.nhs.uk/explore-cchp/neurodiversity-advice-signposting

IRIS ParentMail Lunch Booking for this term

Please remember from this term, all children's meals need to be booked in advance on ParentMail.

All menus are now on ParentMail showing the meals planned for each day so there will no longer be a need to look up the menus on the website before booking. If your child has a dietary requirement, you will not need to select this on ParentMail menus as the report for the kitchen will flag this up, if your child has new dietary needs, please ensure the office are aware.

At Myrtle, if you don't book a school meal, we will assume your child is having a packed lunch. If they are found not to have a packed lunch, we will be calling you to pay for the hot meal we have provided.

At Merrywood, preschoolers if you don't book a school meal, we will assume your child is having a packed lunch. If they are found not to have a packed lunch, we will be calling you to either drop a packed lunch into the office or call the office to provide a card payment for the hot meal

Non preschoolers if you don't book a school meal, we will assume your child is having a hot meal unless they've brought a packed lunch with them.

Reception Parent Tours

Are you looking for a reception place for September 2023. Why not come and check out Southville Primary on a Parent Tour Tue 10th Jan 9:30 – 11:00. If you would like to book on one of the following tours, please email <u>merrywood.southvillep@bristol-schools.uk</u> or call 0117 3772671





Appeal for Music Stands

Would you have any spare music stands at home that you no longer use or need. The school would love to give them a new home. If you are happy to donate them, please drop them off a our Myrtle site – BS3 1JG

Thank you



A big **THANK YOU** for all of the food and goods that you, our wonderful Southville School Community, have donated to our Harvest Appeal. They will be used by both our local food bank and our school food bank. Thank you!



The eCollins subscription has been renewed and your children's reading books will be added back in to the portal shortly by their class teacher.



Nursery

It's straight back to fun and play for the Seahorses this week! We've been investigating magnetic force and using vocabulary such as 'attract, repel, magnetic, attach'.

Messy fun was had creating fireworks pictures using marbles rolled in paint and forks to splatter and spread bright paint into explosive patterns!

We've been doing lots of singing, actions and playing musical instruments in songs such as 'speckled frogs' ' current buns in a bakers shop' etc and of course we've been busy playing lots of our favourite playground games together; interacting with our friends, taking in turns and using our spoken language and gross motor skills.

Next week **Wednesday 9th November** is Seahorse Dress Up Day! This is just for fun as the children seem to love dressing up. If your child would like to, then please to come to school that day in your favourite costume! (There is no pressure to do this, if your child doesn't like dressing up, they can come in their usual uniform or their own home clothes if they would prefer).

What a great return! And here's to the excitement of the term ahead!

Kind regards, The Seahorse Team

Reception

We are starting our 'People Who Help Us' topic and this week we are thinking about dentists. Our writing activity will be based around food that is healthy/unhealthy for our teeth.

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 7.11.22
Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)	Jigsaw - houses and homesZones of Regulation
Communication and Language	Circle time - what is friendship?
Physical Development	Bike and scooters
Literacy	 Phonics - Phase 2 - We are learning: v, w, x, y Tricky and high frequency words - and, has, his, her Writing task - healthy/unhealthy food for teeth Guided Reading groups x 3
Mathematics	 Representing 1, 2, 3 Number Blocks
Understanding the World	 Forest School November 10th - Jellyfish RE - what makes us joyful, peaceful, wonder, reflective, <u>happy</u> and sad? Where in the World?
Expressive Arts and Design	 <u>Colour</u> mixing Autumn exploration
Characteristic of Effective Learning focus	 Finding out and exploring Showing curiosity about people, events and objects

Reception cont.

We are starting our Spotlight Assessments this month. We'll be focusing on a group of children per month to assess their abilities and then feeding this back to parents in a Spotlight Review Meeting. You will be invited to these on or around the month of your child's birthday.

Additional Information

Bike and scooter session reminder

For this week only, we would like the children to bring in their bikes or scooters from home for their PE lesson. We have some to borrow if they do not have one they can bring in.

Here are the PE days for each class:

Jellyfish - Thursday Starfish - Thursday Octopus – Monday

Reading groups and e-books

We will be starting group reading sessions this week and these will take place three times a week. The children will be put into small groups based on their book level and the sessions will focus on word reading, prosody and comprehension.

Each week the children's group reading book will be available on the e-book library. We will write these onto the labels in the reading records for you to practise at home as well if you would like. Login details for this will follow shortly.

Home reading books

We have now completed our phonics assessments and children have been put onto a book level based on this. We will be re-assessing the children at the end of this term but we may move children up at different points if needed.

<u>Jobs</u>

We would love to invite any parents in to speak to the children about their jobs! If this is something you would be interested in, please see your class teacher to discuss a time that is best for you.

Year 1

Well done Year 1 for a great first week back! The children looked fantastic in their Victorian costumes during their hook day for their new topic 'bandages and bravery', thank you! They all had fun learning about what school in Victorian times would have been like and finding out about Florence Nightingale.

PE days for the remainder of this term for all three classes will be: **Tuesdays** (with Bristol Sport) and **Wednesdays** (with Mr Goddard).

As the weather starts to get a bit colder and wetter, please can the children come to school with a named, waterproof coat. Thank you.

Year 2

Wow, what a fantastic start to term 2! The children have enjoyed the start of our new topic 'Fire, fire!'. They have learnt about The Great Fire of London and the importance of Samuel Pepys' diary as a historical source. They have also learnt why we celebrate bonfire night and about fire safety.

Gentle reminder

Please can children bring a named coat every day.

We hope you have a lovely weekend. The Year 2 team

Year 3

Year 3 have engaged with real interest in our Wow "Ends of the Earth" activities this week. They learnt a lot about Antarctica from the scientist Dr Liz Bagshaw who did a fascinating talk to each class on Thursday. Google classroom is set up for this term's spellings, tables (they are a repeat) and homework, so please check it. Each teacher has given each child a copy of the homework overview and their spellings this week. If you'd like a paper copy of each week's homework, then please let the class teacher know.

Please check the school website for the Ends of the Earth termly overview for an insight into what we are covering this term.

Many thanks

Year 4

Swimming/PE Days:

Year 4 now do PE on Mondays (swimming) and Friday (outdoor PE). Please let the office know if you are able to walk to and from the pool on Monday morning. Thank you!

Forest School:

Don't forget it is Forest School for Kiwi Class next week. Don't forget your warm clothes, wet weather gear and sensible shoes for all of the mud. You will also need to bring in a packed lunch and a plastic bag is sensible for dirty clothes and shoes.

Year 5

We have enjoyed starting our new topic 'The Greatest Greeks' this week. We have been listening to myths and learning about democracy and the Olympics.

Y5 Camp meeting for parents/carers:

On **Wednesday 9th November**, all parents/carers of Year 5 children going to the Magdalen farm camps are invited to come and find out more. Please come to the Myrtle office at **3:30pm**. The meeting will be over by 4pm.

In **week 2, on Friday 11th November** we will be hosting a visiting theatre company who will come and perform a Greek play for us as well as running a drama workshop with all the children. This week we sent an email requesting donation towards the cost of this. If you haven't already done so, please try to contribute.

On the same day – **Friday 11th November**, we are also encouraging the children to come to school, **dressed up as an Ancient Greek**. You could be a God or Goddess, a Minotaur, Medusa, a philosopher, a slave or a Greek Warrior. (Hint – Roman costumes can easily be recycled into Greek ones!) We look forward to seeing your outfits, but make sure you can still run around and work in them please.

Thank you to everyone who has helped Lion class have a fantastic 3 forest school sessions. We had our last session this week and wanted to share how much we really appreciate your help, support and willingness to wash muddy clothes. We hope your children enjoyed themselves.

Year 6 Hi Year parents and carers,

Welcome back to term 2. Just a reminder that PE days have changed this term.

Pelicans - Thursday and Friday. Penguins - Tuesday and Friday Puffins - Monday and Friday

However, just for next week Penguins will have their indoor PE session on Monday 7th rather than the Tuesday. The following week will be Tuesday as normal.

Please can we ask that you remind your children to bring in their reading book and record each day.

Best wishes The Year 6 Team

Lunchtime Choir

Some children have been enjoying singing with our choir during Friday lunch times, run and organised by Handfuls of Harmony, Miss Munnings and Miss O'Connor. The children have been working hard at learning the songs, ready for the performance on the Sunday 27th November (more details to follow).

Here are the details for if your child would like to practice at home. Go to <u>https://www.handfulsofharmony.org</u> Click on "**Practice Tracks"** Click on "**Schools and families choirs**" Enter Guest Password: **singsingsing**



Chess Club

Term 1 & 2 are now available to book in ParentMail. Pay for a term in advance, for your child to enjoy Chess Club.

<u>Mondays</u> at Merrywood from 3:30 - 4:30 for Reception to Year 2 children

<u>Tuesdays</u> at Myrtle from 3:15 - 4:15 for Year 3 to Year 6

YOUR CLUB PROGRAMME			
FROM SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER			
	AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS	WEAPAROUND CARE - ALL YEARS	
MONDAY	NY TIME WITH OUTDOOR ADVENTURE - YEAR 3 - 6 FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 PERFORMING ARTS CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6	BREAKFAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHILL	
TUESDAY	NY TIME WITH FUN WITH FOCO - YEAR 3 - 6 ATHLETICS & RUNNING CLUB - YEAR 3 NETBALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6	REFAXFAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHIL	
WEDNESDAY	NY TIME WITH CREATIVE - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 DOOGEBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6	BREAKPAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHEL	
THURSDAY	NY TIME WITH POTTERY - YEAR 5 - YEAR 6 NETBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 DODGEEALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6	BREAKPAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHIL	
FRIDAY	FUN TIME FRIDAY & FILM FRIDAY - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION - YEAR 3 - 6	BREAKPAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHILL	
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Creativity Club from Chandos Atelier is booking for term 2 now. It's a lovely space to explore art materials and get creative, with guidance and encouragement from professional makers. Plus parents get a weekly email to let them know about the creative adventures.

Here is the

link: <u>https://www.chandosatelier.co.uk/creativemakers/</u> <u>creativity-club-southville</u>

"I just wanted to let you know how much F. enjoyed creativity club today. She came home absolutely buzzing and told us it was the highlight of her day. She loves it."



Acting Out classes help develop communication, self esteem, self confidence and mostly we have lots and lots of fun!

Our drama club helps children to find their own voices and develop creativity, make friends grow in confidence in a safe and fun environment. Our Sessions include games, vocal work, imagination, storytelling, improvisation, and most important lots and lots of fun.

For more details on us and what we do please check out our website www.actingoutdrama.com

Classes for the new <u>Reception</u> will start on **Thursday 3rd November – Thursday 8th December –** Merrywood - 15:30 – 16:30

Classes for <u>KS1</u> next term will start on **Tuesday 1**st November – Tuesday 6th December – Merrywood - 15:30 – 16:30

Classes for <u>KS2</u> next term will start on Wednesday 3rd November – Wednesday 7th December -Myrtle - in the Music Room 15:15 – 16:15

If you would like your child to join, please complete the registration form and photographs permission forms below

https://goo.gl/forms/ZGnxev6FuBtZlf453 https://goo.gl/forms/OnVcHrCRH089X8XA3

We will confirm by email you to let you know if your child has a place in drama club. Once your child's place has been confirmed please make payment of £42 (£6 a week) for term 2 by BACS (using your child's full name as reference) to Acting Out Ltd

Account Number: 92398568. Sort Code: 608371 Account Name: Acting Out Ltd .

Please encourage the children to bring a water bottle and a snack as drama can be hungry work.

Looking forward to meeting them



Jacqui Ham Acting Out Drama

http://www.actingoutdrama.com enquiries@actingoutdrama.com



Please visit the link to book your child's place.

If you have difficulties with payment or have further questions you can contact us on live chat kidsclub.org.uk

Southville Infant School

Dear parents and carers,

We are delighted to offer our clubs this term, led by our kind DBS certified expert instructors at your school.

No materials are required, your child simply needs to turn up!

Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. https://www.kidsclub.org.uk/book/southville-infant/

After School Club - Autumn Term

1h After School - 3:30-4:30pm

Week Commencing - 12th September - 21st October 2022 Week Commencing - 31st October - 5th December 2022

Monday Logo Tuesday Wednesday Thursday



Southville Junior School

Dear parents and carers,

We are delighted to offer our clubs this term, led by our kind DBS certified expert instructors at your school.

No materials are required, your child simply needs to turn up!

Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. https://www.kidsclub.org.uk/book/southville-junior/

After School Club - Autumn Term

th After School - 3:15-4:15pm

Week Commencing - 12th September - 21st October 202 Week Commencing - 31st October - 5th December 2022

Please visit the link to book your child's place.

If you have difficulties with payment or have further questions you can contact us on live chat kidsclub.org.uk

Monday

Coding

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Graphic Design

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Wednesday

Thursday



PTA Annual General Meeting:

Massive thank you to all the parents, teachers and Mr Bowman for attending our annual general meeting on Wednesday evening.

I am pleased to confirm the committee members for 2022/23 are:

- ★ PTA Chair- Helen Beach
- ★ Co- Vice Chair- Sonia Adams, Charlotte Todd Brady
- ★ Treasurer- Liz Newton
- ★ Co- Secretary- Alex Leigh, Emma McCormack

The minutes from the meeting and the account for 2021/22 will be available on the PTA section of the school's website shortly.

https://www.southville.bristol.sch.uk/parent-information/pta/

Comedy Night:

1 week today!!!

Kick off with our top secret Bristol Comedy Legend!



Southville Primary PTA are very excited to bring you our first 'Comedy Night'. Come and join us at Myrtle site on the 11th November for a night full of laughs!

Entry from 7:30 with the comedians starting at 8pm.

There will be a bar, snacks and some beautiful local cheese boards from the amazing Kate from Kates Kitchen- Thank you!

Tickets will cost £10/ person, these can be booked via:

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



Christmas Updates:

The Winter Fair is 4 weeks away ! Saturday 3rd December 2-5pm Merrywood Site

Thank you to all classes who have signed up to run a stall. The fair will not happen without everyone running their own class stall - so thank you in advance for your time in volunteering. The children really do love the Christmas Fair!

We are running a mini 'shopping quarter' for local private sellers to sell their goods at the Fair. Tables cost £20 for the whole event, there is very limited numbers available due to space at Merrywood.

First come, first serve basis, can be booked from 6pm today, please follow PTA links below.

Santa's Grotto: We are thrilled to be bringing Santa to Southville! He will be joining us on the 3rd December.

Tickets for the grotto are limited and sell out quickly- book your tickets now:

events.co.uk/southvilleprimarypta/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=54859#.Y16mUHbP23A

Christmas Trees:

https://www.pta-

We have ordered the beautiful trees from Frenchay Forestry again this year. The trees are high quality and very reasonably priced, and you will be supporting a Bristol Business, along with your PTA. There are 2 options available to pre-order:

Nordman Fir Premium Non-drop 150cm-175cm : £40

Nordman Fir Premium Non-drop 175-200 cm: £45



https://www.pta-

events.co.uk/southvilleprimarypta/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=54856#.Y16nNnbP23A

Final Orders by 2nd December 12:00pm. Any trees left over may be available for purchase on the day.

Christmas Crackers:

The PTA has paid for a cracker for each child to enjoy for their Christmas Lunch at school. Thank you for your contributions which enable us to do this each year.



You can order your eco crackers from us! By ordering crackers a proportion of their cost is donated to both The Woodland Trust and The Trussell Trust.

The Trussell Trust is a charity supporting a nationwide network of food banks. They also provide emergency food and support people locked in poverty, and campaign for change to end hunger and poverty in the UK.

A 'collection of crackers' represents either 4 or 6 individual crackers, which you can then add additional individual crackers to your order.

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/southvilleprimarypta/index.cfm?event=Shop#.Y16qY3bP23B

Hampers:

We are also running the very popular hamper raffle again this Christmas, with the draw happening live at the Christmas Fair at 4:30pm. Each class donates a 'hamper' whether this is a physical hamper, or voucher based, and these are raffled off as prizes.



Raffle tickets will be coming home with your child, additional tickets will be available to purchase on the day.

Your class representatives will discuss the hampers with you and start the collections.

Donations:

Please see below for the list of donations and dates.

Following the success of the coat swap, Lemur class will also be running this at the winter fair. Along with coats, we are looking for donations for forest school items - waterproof trousers, and warm winter items - hats and scarfs etc.

Reception Parents:

If you haven't already, please join your class WhatsApp groups as an easy way to be kept up to date with PTA, class information and build your class community.

Jellyfish:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/E9e4Ki8ZFNMFHqxUZdh3RY

Starfish:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/HSXIrkgsaDi1eZqSocLO5e

Octopus:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/EzyK4NZOKUJEoRIWGy1KfR





Ashton Park School mail@ashtonpark.net 0117 3772777



Our Christmas Holiday Activity Programme is now 'Live!'

Bookings are to be made via School Hire using the following link;

https://ashtonparksports.schoolactivity.co.uk/booking?venue_id=12&activity_category_id=64_

Head to our Holiday Camps page and you will see all of our activities on offer for December



Escape Zone - Christmas 2022

Blackmoors Lane, Bower Ashton, Bristol, BS3 2JL

Our OFSTED regulated multi-sports Escape Zone, is available for 4-14 year olds.

The children will take part in a mixture of different sports and games that can include Dodgeball, Tag games, Basketball, Cricket, Rounders, Tennis, Football, Parachute Games and much more.

Depending on the age, and amount of children booked in, they may be split into groups for different activities. Each day is different with the majority of the games being played indoors, but depending on the weather they may go outdoors.

The emphasis is on children having lots of fun throughout the day and interacting and mixing with other children of different ages and abilities.

Come in! For tasty food

and good company





Free meals Wednesdays 7.30pm

Everyone is welcome

FoodCycle Bristol Easton Easton Christian Family Centre St Jude's BS5 0SQ **Come in!** For tasty food and good company





Free meals Saturdays 1.30pm

Everyone is welcome

FoodCycle Bristol Barton Hill Settlement 43 Ducie Road BS5 0AX



PINT & PLANET

A weekly social for Bristolians who care about the climate emergency and want to do something about it. Come along and meet people from across the movement



BRISTOL FAMILIES SAY NO TO AIRPORT EXPANSION !

Tuesday 8th of November 12-2pm Bristol County Court, 2 Redcliffe St, BS1 6GR

Next week, a strong challenge to the government's decision to overrule local people and North Somerset council, and push ahead with expanding the airport, will be heard in court. It's likely to be the final chance to stop the expansion, and lots of us are going down there to show that we (still) say no.

Come! Bring everybody



GIVE LOVE N A BOX THIS YEAR

From your hand to theirs. Your shoebox will be given to a vulnerable child or family, distributed through schools, nurseries, hospitals and orphanages in Eastern Europe.

Please contact Bonnie (Yr1 Butterflies) on 07816858053 or bonnie.hewson@gmail.com if you have a box to donate

Collection dates: from now! until mid-Nov

T: 01978 310110 E: Info@teams4u.com 🚼 @teams4uthecharity 🎐 @teams4u 🔐 @teams4ucharity Teams4U is a registered charity No. 1114131, PO BOX 2252, Wrexham, LL11 0BY.

You can also email chloe.naldrett@gmail.com

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