

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Theatre Trips... Thank you to everyone who helped walk the children to and from their theatre visits this week and thank you to the PTA for helping with the funding of these visits. The children really enjoyed the performances (with only minor feedback about the length of the walk to the Old Vic thanks to the bridge closure!) and they were a lovely way to round off the term.

Food Parcels... Mrs Mathias has co-ordinated an incredible team effort and as a result 28 food parcels will be heading out to families today. Thank you so much to everyone who has contributed to the food bank fund or with food donations and to the staff and volunteers who have been working in school to compile the parcels. What a caring community.

I would also like to thank Hugo's Greengrocers on North Street for their generous donation of fruit and veg, and Tesco's Extra for donating a mountain of groceries.

BS3 Community have also kindly donated Christmas present packs which have been included in the parcels.

Finally, St Thomas Mar Thoma Church, opposite our Merrywood site, made an extremely generous financial donation to the food bank fund.



Thank you so much for these collective acts of kindness.

Finally... I wanted to thank you for your support and partnership throughout 2022. This feels like the year that the covid shackles finally dropped away and I have loved seeing the school getting back to business whilst also looking ahead and continuing to strive to be the best school we can possibly be for every child. We have lots in the pipeline for 2023, but for now I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas if you are celebrating, and a happy and restful holiday.

Have a lovely break, Andy Bowman

Safeguarding & Mentoring

Practical and informative online sessions from your expert team of local School Health Nurses. https://cchp.nhs.uk/cchp/explore-cchp/school-health-nursing/school-nursing-webinars-parentscarers - 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.

Dental health

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

Bristol Autism Support

Upcoming BAS activities

Noah's Ark Zoo Farm: 19th December join other BAS families for a visit to Noah's Ark in the school holidays. Tickets purchased via BAS in advance will be at the discounted rate of £8.50 per person. <u>Click here to find out more</u>.

Supporting Distress & Behaviours that Challenge, starting Tuesday 10th January (10am) for 6 weeks.

A six week support and discussion group for parents and carers of children that present with behaviours that parents / carers may find challenging. Online group. No diagnosis is required to join. <u>Click here for more information and to book.</u>

New to Autism (secondary), starting Wednesday 4th January (10am) for 6 weeks.

A six week support and discussion group for parents and carers of children that are awaiting a diagnosis for their child or have recently recieved one. Online group. No diagnosis is required to join. <u>Click here</u> for more information and to book.

For information on our next group for parents and carers of children under 11 click here.

All About Autism: 18th January 11am - 1pm, Junction 3 Library & Learning Centre, Easton

This session is for parents and carers who are awaiting an autism assessmen for their child, have recently received a diagnosis for their child or those who just generally want to know more about autism. <u>Click here for more information and to book.</u>

Exploring Neurodiversity: Friday 13th January 10am-12.30pm

An online indformation session looking at neurodiversity. <u>Click here for more information and to book.</u> DLA & Other Benefits: Friday 3rd February 10am-1pm

An online indformation session looking at Disability Living Allowance, other benefits and services you may be eligible to access. <u>Click here for more information and to book.</u>

Safeguarding & Mentoring cont.

Coffee Mornings / Meet Up's

Join us for a casual chat with a cuppa at any of our coffee mornings. No Need to book just turn up on the day, our volunteers will have lanyards and table stands so will be easy to find. Children are welcome.

January Dates:

BAS Dad's Meet Up: Thursday 5th January, 7-9pm. Lodekka, Tramway Rd, Brislington, BS4 3DS Gloucester Rd: Monday 9th January 10-11am. Boston Tea Party, 293 Gloucester Rd, Bishopston, BS7 8PE

Bedminster: Monday 16th January 10-11am. Grounded, 66-68 Bedminster Parade, Bristol BS3 4HL Easton: Friday 27th January, 10-11am. Thali Cafe, St Marks Rd, BS5 6JH

Sensory Play & Support Group: 12th January, 11am- 12pm

You can talk with our volunteers and your child can enjoy the large sensory room. Imperial Sports Ground, West Town Lane, Brislington, BS14 9EA. <u>Click here for more information and to book.</u>

Merrywood Lost Property

Please check the picture below and see if you recognise anything that belongs to you or your child. If you want to collect anything, please come via the Office.





Windows Update – Merrywood Perspex will be put up over the holiday period by a local firm.



Year Group Updates

Nursery

We have enjoyed a lovely festive week with our wonderful Seahorses. There has been all sorts of sparkly delights filling our classroom, as we've been making Christmas cards, crowns and other creations!

Thank you for joining us on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon to hear us singing some of our favourite Christmas songs. The children were superb! Hopefully you are all still humming the tune of 'Feliz Navidad'!

We look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 4th January. We do have a few new Seahorse children joining us then.

Wishing you all a very happy and joyful Christmas, The Seahorse Team

Reception

We have had a fantastic term in Reception! We hope that you all have a lovely break and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year. We will starting our brand new topic which is all about space. We will be asking the children what they'd like to learn about space, so they can come with some questions/comments prepared for the first week if they would like. We will also be giving the children a list of the Autumn 1 and 2 tricky words to take home to practise before starting the new Phonics block in January.

Reminder – Forest School for Reception Starfish - Thursday 5th January 2023

Wishing you a wonderful Christmas from all of us in the Reception team.

Year 1

What an excellent second term Year 1 well done! You've been brilliant with your learning about the Victorians, along with delivering two amazing winter performances, you all deserve a wonderful restful break!

We're really looking forward to starting our new topic of Toys next term. As mentioned last week our hook day will be on Thursday 5th January we will be thinking about our favourite toys. Please bring in your favourite toy to share (nothing too precious).

We will also be learning about materials and textures so please collect and bring in any interesting materials or textured items to use to make our own 'That's not my book'. Items such as sweet wrappers, cellophane, bubble wrap, interesting textured wrapping paper will be perfect please.

<u>PE days this term:</u> Badgers - Wednesday and Friday Bears - Wednesday and Monday Butterflies - Wednesday and Thursday

Thank you parents and carers for your ongoing support, wishing you a wonderful winter break and we'll see you on Wednesday 4th January!

Team Year 1

Year 2

This term

Wow, what an exciting and eventful term we've had! The children have loved designing and making fire engines, having a visit from the fire service, learning about the Great Fire of London, creating medieval houses and re-enacting the historical event with real fire! They also really enjoyed the trip to the theatre.

Forest school

Falcons have had a super time at forest school and Flamingo and Fox class are looking forward to going next term. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can volunteer to come along to forest school. It will be cold at the start of the year so please provide children with warm, waterproof clothing and wellies to ensure they are comfortable.

Reminder to parents in Yr2 Flamingo - Forest school on Wednesday 4th January 2023

Thank you

We just want to say a big thank you for all of your support! What with supplying us with mounds of boxes, reading volunteers coming in to school and volunteering for forest school and trips, as well as supporting the children at home with their learning.

Have a wonderful break and we will see you in the new year.

Many thanks, The year 2 team

Year 3

We have been really impressed with the children's enthusiasm and engagement this term during our Ends of the Earth topic. We are looking forward to getting stuck into our Romans topic next term - Don't forget our dress up day on Thursday 5th January.

Wishing you a happy and restful festive break!

Year 3

Year 5

Thank you to everyone who was able to help us walk to / from the theatre this week. We hope everyone who was able to attend the Y5 and Y6 carol concert enjoyed themselves - it was lovely to see so many of you.

We are grateful for all of the generous gifts and cards that we have been given - thank you!

We hope you have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing the children on Wednesday 4th January, when Leopard class will be going to forest school (please remember your wellies and layers!).

Best wishes, The Y5 team.

Year 6 Dear parents/carers,

Just to say thank you for your support this year. Have a very happy Christmas, if you are celebrating, and we hope you have a lovely break. See you in the new year.

Term 3: Spanish Club!

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10 spaces have become available for Spanish Club for children from KS2 Be ready to see the transformation in your child's knowledge and use of the Spanish language!

The sessions will be held immediately after school from 3.15 pm until 4.15 pm on our Myrtle site. The club will take place every Tuesday, from the 10th of January 2023 for 1 hour.

For further information and to reserve your space, send an email to <u>ana.asensimunoz@bristol-</u> <u>schools.uk</u>

Reserve your place now!! Mrs Asensi





Chess Club

Term 3 is now available to book in ParentMail. Pay for a term in advance, for your child to enjoy Chess Club.

Mondays at Merrywood from 3:30 - 4:30 for Reception to Year 2 children

Tuesdays at Myrtle from 3:15 – 4:15 for Year 3 to Year 6



YOUR CLUB PROGRAMME FROM JANUARY TO MARCH

| | AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS | WRAPAROUND CARE |
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| MONDAY | MY TIME - PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 2 INVASION GAMES - RECEPTION - YEAR 2 30 MIN TOP UP - PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 2 | BREAKFAST CLUB - PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 2 SNACK & CHILL - PRE-SCHOOL - YEAR 2 |
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YOUR CLUB PROGRAMME FROM JANUARY TO MARCH

| | AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS | WRAPAROUND CARE - ALL YEARS |
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| MONDAY | MY 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 | MY TIME WITH FUN WITH FOOD - YEAR 3 - 6 ATHLETICS & RUNNING CLUB - YEAR 3 NETBALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6 | BREAKFAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHILL |
| WEDNESDAY | MY TIME WITH CREATIVE - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 DODGEBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 FOOTBALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6 | BREAKFAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHILL |
| THURSDAY | MY TIME WITH POTTERY - YEAR 3 - YEAR 6 NETBALL CLUB - YEAR 3 DODGEBALL CLUB - YEAR 4 - YEAR 6 | BREAKFAST CLUB POST SCHOOL CLUB SHORT SESSION SNACK & CHILL |
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Bookings are open now for Creativity Club in terms 3 & 4 Bookable upfront on a first come first served basis, if you wanted to pay in instalments we recommend signing up to Clearpay before hand as the places can go fast. The listings are scheduled for 6pm - refresh your browser to see them appear!

Info can be found

here: www.chandosatelier.co.uk/after-school-creativityclubs and you can click through to book once the listings are live at 6pm on Fri.



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 12th January – Thursday 9th February – Merrywood - 15:30 – 16:30

Classes for <u>KS1</u> next term will start on **Tuesday 10th January – Tuesday 7th February – Merrywood -**15:30 – 16:30

Classes for KS2 next term will start on Wednesday 11th January– Wednesday 8th February - 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 £30 (£6 a week) for term 3 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

<u>http://www.actingoutdrama.com</u>Tel: 07956962422 email: <u>enquiries@actingoutdrama.com</u>

Spring Term – now open for booking



1ttps://www.kidsclub.org.uk/book/southville-junior/

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 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: Spring Term

1h After School: 3:15-4:15pm

Spring Term 2023 Dates as followed :

Week Commencing - 04/01/2023 to 31/03/2023

Monday Coding

Tuesday Graphics Desig

Wednesday Robotics Thursday

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That's a wrap for 2022 events!

Thank you to those parents who helped with the theatre trips this week and those who made all the winter hampers for our school community.

A round up of 2022 events are as follows:

🗱 January - Lantern Parade / Beginners Ball Reception Year

- 3 March Myrtle Library Opening / Spring Discos Y1-Y6
- 🗱 May Toyville and North Street Games Library Games Night / May Fair
- 袋 June Tea Towels / Sports Day Ice Pops
- 🍀 July- Y6 Leavers Year Books and Hoodies
- 🗱 September Welcome Picnic
- 券 October- Halloween Discos
- 🗱 November Comedy Night

診 December- Christmas Cards / Winter Fair / Theatre Trips / Christmas Lunches / Y3/Y4 Winter Carols / Winter Hampers

A MASSIVE thank you to all the PTA reps who keep you informed and consistently give up their time to volunteer for these events, and to all of you, who help or contribute in any way you can. We have an amazing school community, an incredible PTA and it's a pleasure to be able to put on such a range of events for the children.

Beginners Ball Reception Year:

12th January 5-6pm: We would like to welcome all the reception children to come along to their Beginners Ball - their first disco at Southville Primary!

Would you like to come along and have a drink whilst your children have a disco? Come along and get to know other reception parents! We will be running a licensed bar for the duration of the disco!



Tickets are £6 for one adult and one child, or £5 for just your child to attend. Children will receive a small snack and drinks.

We can only offer 1 adult ticket per child to start with, this is due to the capacity of the hall.

Please book your tickets via PTA Events:

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

It will also give you the option to volunteer at the disco to help run the bar - you do not have to be a reception parent to help!

Upcoming Events:

10th January: PTA Meeting - 7:30 pm- Myrtle Site

- We are aiming to vote on funding for the new play structure proposal at Merrywood.

12th January: Beginners Ball Reception year only - please book tickets via PTA Events:

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

20th January: French Day - we will advertise closer to the date for volunteers at Myrtle to help serve pancakes!

24th February: Quiz Night



Community News

BROADWALK SHOPPING CENTRE – HAVE YOUR SAY QUICK TIPS ON HOW TO COMMENT AND WHAT WILL COUNT!

Go on line at <u>www.tinvurl.com/BroadwalkPlans</u> to make you views known NOW. Planning Application Reference 22/03924/P

You will be asked if you Support or Object the proposed Broadwalk plans ... OBJECT – if you support some aspects of the plans but not others SUPPORT – if you are comfortable with ALL aspects of the plans NEUTRAL – if you don't know or are unsure

Enough objections on the 'material' planning issues will make a difference. The Council can reject this plan and ask a better one to be submitted. This is not uncommon in planning applications. If you write or email, make it clear you are for example Objecting.

If you have commented but want to change it or say more, just write another one. Make all your views known in one place and submit saying it's an updated view.

The Council have confirmed in writing with KNPG they will accept your views right up until the Development Control Committee. There is no end Oct deadline. It is very unlikely to be before Christmas and may be in early February 2023.

Only comments on 'Material Considerations' will count. See below for examples...

 RESIDENTIAL DENSITY - This proposal means up to 850 flats on a very small site. There will be 2000+ more people. That is a 20% increase in the population of Knowle today. Its measured as 428 dwellings/hectare – so high it is called 'hyperdensity'

In fact, it is over 350% higher *'residential density'* than the City Council's own policy says is reasonable for an area like Knowle. It is over 600% more dense than Knowle is now. *Ref Bristol Urban Living SPD, Nov 2018.* It is also *'out of character'* with the local area of 2 and 3 storey Victorian, Edwardian and 1930s homes.

 LOSS OF LIGHT or PRIVACY and OVERSHADWING – 10 and 12 storey blocks will face Redcatch Park, Broadwalk, Wells Rd and Ryde Rd for example.

In fact, high-rise blocks cast long shadows and remove light from the nearby houses, roads and shops, park and cricket ground. Some people lose privacy in their homes and gardens.

The proposed blocks are so tall and dense it will not help create the 'cohesive Bristol skyline' the City Council wants. It will affect views across the city as well as locally.





Linktr.ee/ecoactionsouthvilleprimary

For WhatsApp, Facebook and Survey Forms

DO YOU HAVE THE EXPERTISE OR ENERGY TO MAKE SOUTHVILLE PRIMARY EVEN GREENER?

Then join our partnership of parents and teachers which is working to do just that. We aim to empower the kids of Southville Primary to share their feelings around climate change, take positive action, and to influence the wider community.

We hope to not only reduce the school's carbon footprint and save cash, but also help the kids feel that they have some control and influence on this important agenda, and to enable them to influence the wider community too.

HELP NEEDED TO SUPPORT TEACHERS WITH CURRICULUM ENRICHMENT

We are currently looking for volunteers to help build environmental and climate discussion into curriculum topics. If this is you, please fill in survey here: <u>https://forms.gle/rdikRUTcsCxaPPDr9</u> or scan the QR code to the left.

HELP NEEDED TO SUPPORT MONDAY LUNCHTIME ECO-CLUB

We're looking for enthusiastic parents to help out at a NEW Eco Club on Monday lunchtimes (12.15-1pm) for children at Myrtle. The club will help children improve their eco awareness, plan environmentally friendly activities and help the school work towards a coveted Green Flag award. To volunteer you don't need any experience, just enthusiasm for helping the children get stuck into the activities and supporting their ideas. Please do get in touch if you are keen to join in on Mondays you can find out more and ask questions on the <u>WhatsApp Group</u> or log your interest by filling in this quick form: <u>https://forms.gle/sb5sGKqiZyRhapt88</u>