



NEWSLETTER

Happy Friday!

It has been a week of amazing sporting achievements and more incredible street art. Let's kick off with the sporting news from Mr Rogers...

Y6 Bristol Sport Netball School Games Tournament

On Monday, our Year 6 netballers made their way to SGS Campus in Filton to represent the school in the Bristol Sport Netball School Games Cup and they only went and won it! The team battled it out in a series of high-intensity group matches and managed to earn themselves a spot in the final. The team they met at the final stage were a team that had previously beat Southville in the group stages, but this didn't stop them from showcasing a near-perfect performance to seal a 6-3 win in the final. A special mention goes to Freyja, whose cool, calm presence in the attacking third earned the team those vital points that secured the victory. Well done Team Southville!



X-Country Finals Day @ Ashton Park School

Last weekend, our Year 5 and Year 6 runners who managed to earn themselves a top 10 finish in the Primary Schools X-Country earlier on in the year, were given the opportunity to represent the local Bristol schools area in a further competition against the elite from other districts of Bristol. This time, the weather managed to hold off and the children were able to run and run and then run some more in the windy and hilly Ashton Park Circuit. We still await the results on how the district did as a whole but a massive well done to all those children that took part on the day!



Y3/4 Girls Football Festival

Last Friday, our Year 3/4 girls took part in the Ashton Park Sports Partnership Football Festival at the Imperial Sports Ground to celebrate International Women's Day. The 5 teams made up of 40 girls played a number of matches against a wide range of other local schools, with some children having their first experience of playing in a full football match! There were lots of smiles and beaming faces throughout the day as our teams all showed their Southville spirit to make the occasion a cracking day for all those involved. One of our teams even managed to earn themselves a certificate for their fantastic results and everyone was able to have a meet and greet with a local celebrity- Red the Bristol City FC Robin mascot! Well done to all those that took part in the day and a massive thank you to all parents/carers who helped with transporting children to and from the event.



Borrowed Kit

A number of children borrowed football shorts and socks for this event. Please could they be returned by the end of next week either at the school office or your child can hand them into Y6 Puffin Class? Thank you! Mr Rogers

I would like to add my thanks to Mr Rogers for co-ordinating and supporting our sports teams so far this year. I am really proud of the number of events we take part in and the level of participation we have from our children and this is only possible with Mr Roger's hard work with support from Jamie at Shine and of course the parents and carers who help with transport and support as required. A team effort in every sense!

Southfest Week 2

The second week of Southfest has brought with it a second wave of excitement and more incredible art. As you may have seen, the Points West team visited on Monday and the report was shown on BBC1 on Wednesday. If you haven't seen it we have posted the evening report, which was slightly longer than the lunchtime one, on our newsfeed and social media channels. The children who were filmed (pictured below) each spoke to the camera and although that bit did not make it into the final report due to time, I was there and they did brilliantly!

The key development at Merrywood has been the transformation of the far wall in the hall, where groups of year 1 and 2 children have been busy all week painting a selection of words, inspired by our values, to form a spectacular, inclusive and celebratory mural. The Bath University team overseeing this have worked brilliantly with the children, encouraging and guiding them, and as well as putting the finishing touches to the mural, they are now involving Reception children in some of the final details too. They will be moving to Myrtle next week where they will re-run the project with the older children. As at Merrywood, they will be launching the project in assembly on Monday morning and you are very welcome to join us for this, at 10am.

At Myrtle we have had the pleasure of Venessa Scott's company this week. Venessa, or Vee as she is known professionally, has created a stunning piece of abstract art next to the stairs at the far end of the corridor. It has been incredibly exciting watching it develop over the last few days and Vee has been lovely with the children, enthusiastically welcoming and answering their questions and generally being inspiring! The final piece is a unique and colourful celebration of 'Connection' and the children (and staff!) absolutely love it.

The other bit of good news is that the rain this week means we still have Farrah's work at Merrywood to look forward to! She hasn't been able to start as originally planned this week, however we have everything crossed that play will resume after the weekend.

And finally our very own Edzo, star of the Points West report, is making fantastic progress with his detailed school-inspired artwork and I can't wait for you to see it on the open day.

I will leave you with some of the highlights of a second fun-filled Southfest week!

Have a great weekend, Andy Bowman

