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### "Created by God to love and learn"

### **NEWSLETTER 12** 15.3.24

This weekend marks the 5th Sunday of Lent. How are you doing on your Lenten journey? Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, which marks the start of Holy Week:

Lent calendar with daily prayers and reflection (cafod.org.uk)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another two action-packed weeks have passed, with Encounter Christianity visiting Oak and Elm classes last Tuesday.



Oak Class also learnt how to be safe and protect themselves in their trip to the LifeSkills centre last week. Hazel Class wowed a large audience at St George's Hall in Clifton with their amazing rendition of the musical 'Stardust'. They performed with two other primary schools and made us all incredibly proud.



World Book Day was a huge success too and it was a delight to see so many children dressed as characters from their favourite books. I still have children calling me the BFG!

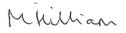


The children wrote a school story and rather like 'pass the parcel' the narrative was sent to each class to write the next part. We will be publishing their amazing adventure soon. The book swap was wonderfully supported, and such a good idea that even the staff had their own version.

This week our fabulous PTFA laid on an Easter disco on Monday evening, which was very well attended -thanks to all who supported this event. Yesterday, Maple and Hazel classes participated in road safety workshops to enable them to be safer in our communities.

To cap off a fabulous fortnight, I know many mothers and other members of our community will be enjoying the PTFA 'Wine & Cheese' evening tonight. Cheers!

With best wishes.



Mr Mark Hilliam Headteacher



### Taylor wins again!

Taylor in Willow class competed in her first cheer competition of the season this weekend - the Welsh open in Newport. She was in a new level; the under-12 international division. Her team 'ADA' came first and won the phenomenal performance award. Taylor competes in a team with 21 other athletes, where she is the youngest member of the team. She now has 10 weeks of intense training before she competes at the legacy nationals in Birmingham in June before she travels to Barcelona for the European championships.

Taylor's cheer dream is to one day compete in Florida at the World championships. Congratulations Taylor!



### FOOTBALL UPDATE:

Thank you so very much to Mr Browne (Coach) and Mr Challis for helping to train our Year 5/6 side and to Mr Rossiter (Coach) and Mr Challis for helping to train our Year 3/4 side.

Year 3/4 played twice this week. Unfortunately, we lost 4-1 to Frenchay School but Oliver Gardner was Man of the Match. We drew with The Manor 3-3 and David Smith was Man of the Match. The Year 3/4 team are starting their league matches next week and then both 3/4 and 5/6 teams are playing friendlies up to July.

We are all incredibly grateful to Ms Fitzgerald, who is responsible for keeping our football going. She told us that the parents and children are so positive about it: "the children are so enthusiastic about it and tonight did not mind at all about the rain!"

### Red Nose Day:

You might be wondering why we have not participated in Red Nose Day this year. This is because we have already asked parents and children for a number of donations and appreciate that contributing for events and trips can be a challenge. Many within our community felt it was most appropriate to donate to Mrs Bowen's family. Furthermore, each of our 4 houses raises money for their own charity. This year we chose causes in memory of Mrs Bowen.









SPORTS DAY DATE ANNOUNCED: Our Sports Day 2024 will be held on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May with the reserve Sports Day on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, both events will be in the morning. Further details to follow...

### **Signature Sports Easter Holiday Clubs:**

We will be again running our popular fundays across 6 different venues with one TBC early next week. We will be running fundays throughout both weeks of the holidays starting on Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April during week 1 and then Monday 8th April - Thursday 11th April in week 2. All fundays will run 8.45am-3pm. Please see below a list of venues we will be running across the two weeks:



St Patrick's Primary School - (St George) Park Primary School - (Kingswood)

Parkwall Primary School - (Cadbury Heath) Shield Road Primary - (Filton)

Wheatfield Primary - (Bradley Stoke) Scotts Park 4G Astro (Patchway) - 9th, 10th & 11th April ONLY (10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm)

All bookings can be placed via our website and on our ipal booking system: <a href="https://signaturesportscoaching.schoolipal.co.uk">https://signaturesportscoaching.schoolipal.co.uk</a>

We also have FREE SPACES available for children who are eligible for FREE SCHOOL MEALS for both weeks at Park Primary, Parkwall Primary, Shield Road Primary & Wheatfield Primary. All spaces are first come first served and your child will be provided with a free packed lunch. All spaces are approved by the council so only book if your child is eligible. To book your child a space please use the following the link:https://eequ.org/search-learning-experiences?q=Signature+Sports

Dates for your diary - more dates will be added as they arise:			
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	March	Maple Class liturgy, in classroom, pm
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	March	Parents Evening 1, 3:40pm-6:30pm
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup>	March	Parents Evening 2, 4pm-7pm
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	March	Easter performance, 2pm in church
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup>	March	INSET day four, school closed to pupils
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup>	March	GOOD FRIDAY – BANK HOLIDAY (school closed)
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	April	EASTER HOLIDAY
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	April	Children return
<b>Friday</b>	19 <sup>th</sup>	<mark>April</mark>	Willow Class cake sale, 3:35pm, hall
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	April	Kilve Court residential for Hazel Class (return on Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> )
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup>	April	Birch Class assembly pm, (details to follow)
Tuesday	30 <sup>th</sup>	April	Elm Class liturgy in class (pm)
<b>Friday</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	May	Maple Class cake sale, 3:35pm hall
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	May	Mathstermind 3, 2:30pm
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup>	May	Willow Class assembly pm, (details to follow)
Monday	14 <sup>th</sup>	May	SATs week for Oak Class (Year 6)
<b>Friday</b>	17 <sup>th</sup>	May	Film Club
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	May	Ash Class liturgy, pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Sports Day (am)
<b>Thursday</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	May	Sports Day (reserve) – am
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup>	May	Rearranged Hazel Class assembly, 2:30pm (Moved from 8 <sup>th</sup> March)
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup>	May	HALF TERM
<mark>Friday</mark>	7 <sup>th</sup>	<mark>June</mark>	Elm Class cake sale, 3:35pm, hall
<u>Saturday</u>	8 <sup>th</sup>	<mark>June</mark>	School/parish community volunteer event (School grounds tidy up)
<b>Thursday</b>	13 <sup>th</sup>	June	Year 6 Leaver's Mass, Clifton Cathedral, 11am
<u>Saturday</u>	15 <sup>th</sup>	<mark>June</mark>	Parish Summer Fete
Friday	21 <sup>st</sup>	June	Elm Class assembly (details to follow)
<b>Monday</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	<mark>July</mark>	Oak Class residential trip to Grittleton (all week, back Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July)
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Spellathon 3, 2:30pm
Monday	8 <sup>th</sup>	July	INSET Day 5 – school closed to all pupils
Friday	12 <sup>th</sup>	July	Ash Class assembly (details to follow) / Reports to parents
<b>Monday</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Oak Class leaver's mass, St Augustine's Church, 9:30am
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	July	END OF TERM
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	July	SUMMER HOLIDAY



# STAY ACTIVE IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

of sporting opportunities throughout the school holidays. With an emphasis environment for children to fall in love with sport and enjoy being active. on inclusivity, high activity levels and fun, they provide a perfect Open to children in Reception to Year 6, our holiday camps offer a variety



**Holiday Camp Holy Trinity** 

Friday, 12th April 2024 Tuesday, 2nd to

() 9AM - 4PM 🚨 30 SPACES PER DAY

Venue: Holy Trinity Primary School, BS32 0BD

Price: £17 per day + £1 booking fee. Multi-day discount: £45 for 3 days and a discount of £2 for each day booked there after.

Themed activities:

- Easter themed day on Tuesday 2nd, April.

  Nerf Gun activities on Thursday 4th, Wednesday 10th & Friday 12th, April.

Children from all schools are welcome to attend

Please be advised that you will need to provide your child with a packed lunch for the day

















## **FIND OUT WHAT'S ON DURING** THE EASTER HOLIDAYS

### **NORTHLEAZE HOLIDAY CAMP**

DATES: Tues. 2nd, Wed. 3rd, Thurs. 4th Mon. 8th, Tues. 9th & Wed. 10th April VENUE: Northleaze Primary School TIMES: 8:30am - 4:30pm

DATES: Monday, 8th to Friday, 12th

TIMES: 8:30am - 4:30pm

VENUE: Birdwell Primary School LONG ASHTON HOLIDAY CAMP

## FILTON/ LOCKLEAZE HOLIDAY CAMP

DATES: Tuesday, 2nd to Friday, 12th VENUE: Filton Avenue Primary School

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TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

STAPLE HILL HOLIDAY CAMP VENUE: The Tynings School

TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

DATES: Tuesday, 2nd to Friday, 12th VENUE: Holy Trinity Primary School HOLY TRINITY HOLIDAY CAMP TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm

## **ABBOTSWOOD HOLIDAY CAMP**

DATES: Tuesday, 2nd to Friday, 12th VENUE: Abbotswood Primary School

TIMES: 9:00am - 4:00pm



### **BOOK NOW**

bit.ly/BSFHolidayCamps



# MAKING GREATER BRISTOL AN ACTIVE HEALTHY HAPPY PLACE

Bristol Sport Foundation, Ashton Gate Stadium, Bristol, BS3 2EJ, CIC No: 1165410





### Cleeve Lodge Memory Café

## Wednesday 20th March 2024

10:00am - 12:00noon

regarding Memory Loss or Dementia chat and a look around with some and advice - or just pop in for a of our friendly staff, with no homemade cake, information Join us for a coffee, tea, obligation.

> centred activities that take place at Cleeve Come and join in and meaningful, person watch some

award-winning dementia trainer. like to 'Mel Merchant' who is our Ask as many questions as you

Visit our new Quiet Wing and see how we support our Residents with dementia







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