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NEWSLETTER 13

27.3.26

Attendance

92.9%

Target: 96.4%

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week I was one of the lucky people who saw our Year 4 children sing 'Elements' as part of the [Voices for Life](#) charity project. This took place at St Michael's centre, along with four other schools – a total of 150 children altogether! This was a truly magical evening, and I was incredibly proud of how Hazel class performed.



Across the school children have been preparing for Easter in various ways. A reminder we break up next **Wednesday, 1st April**. The PTFA have arranged an ice cream van for after school too!

This is my final newsletter as Headteacher of St Augustine's. I have said this many times, but would like to reiterate it has been an absolute honour and privilege to serve the children, staff, parents, governors and community in my 7yrs here. St Augustine's is an incredibly special school and I am proud to have known you all. I would like to thank everyone for their support during my time here. I send my very best wishes to all for the future.

May God bless you all,
Mr Mark Hilliam
Headteacher

Farewell to Mrs Fitzgerald



After 13 years of dedicated service, Mrs Fitzgerald will be leaving us at Easter to take up a new position. She will be greatly missed by all of us within the school community, for her amazing work all across the school: wrap-around care, TA, running the football club and in the office. We would like to thank Mrs Fitzgerald for all of her hard work and wish her the very best for the future.

Last Call! Term 4 50 (or 500) Word Competition in school

Write a story, poem or information text inspired by gold.

500 word competition with the Royal Mint. The winner will receive a gold coin, £5,000 for their school or local library, and their story illustrated by an

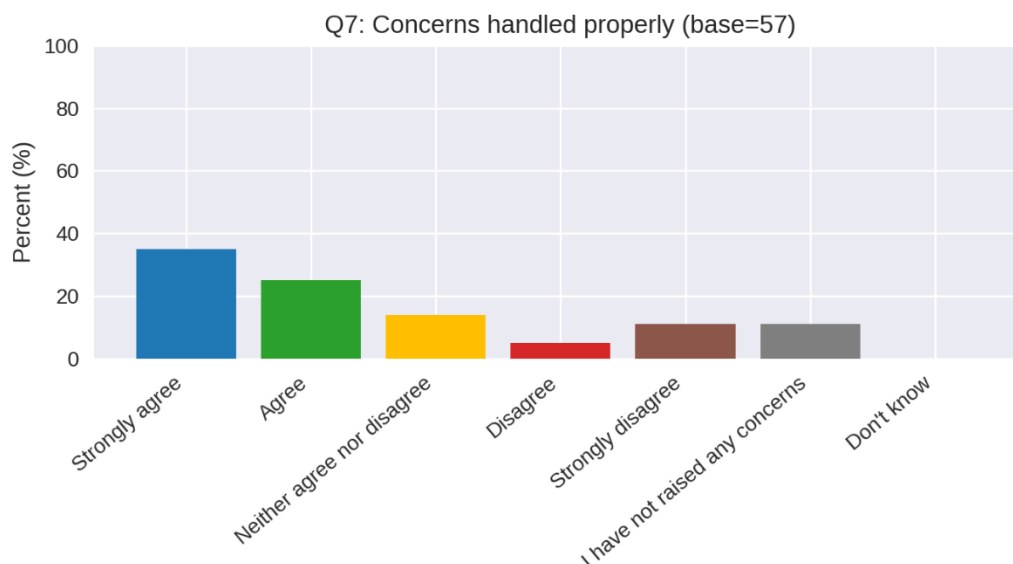


artist. The competition is open for entries until 17th April 2026 and is for 7-11-year-olds. Simply submit your entries on their website or by post. <https://www.royalmintmuseum.org.uk/learning/short-story-competition/>

Ofsted Question 7 -Concerns are handled well

Here is the response you gave Ofsted via Parent View for question 7 (correction from the last newsletter: the communication question was number 6, not 7). 85% of respondents either agreed or were neutral about this. As a school we strive to do better, especially for those parents who either disagreed or strongly disagreed.

Q7: Concerns handled properly



Dates for your diary Newly added dates highlighted

Wednesday	1 st	April	Ice-cream van after school (to support PTFA)
Thursday	2 nd	April	INSET Day 5 – School closed
Easter Holidays			
Monday	20 th	April	Term 5 starts
Wednesday	22 nd	April	Kilve Court Residential for Hazel Class (back on 24/3/25)
Friday	24 th	April	Year 2 class assembly
Monday	11 th	May	SATS week for Oak Class (year 6) – Monday to Thursday
Wednesday	13 th	May	Willow Class mass, 2:30pm (tbc)
Thursday	14 th	May	Ascension Day: Prayer and blessing in school from Fr Barnabas
Friday	15 th	May	Year 1 class assembly
Tuesday	19 th	May	Sports Day
Wednesday	20 th	May	Ash (Reception) Class Liturgy, 2:30pm
Thursday	21 st	May	Reserve Sports Day
Friday	22 nd	May	Term 5 ends
May Half-term			
Monday	1 st	June	Term 6 starts
Monday	8 th	June	Oak Class (Year 6) Residential to Grittleton - until Friday 12 th
Wednesday	10 th	June	Maths Themed Day 3
Friday	19 th	June	Reception class assembly – note the change of date so that Year 6 Buddies can watch.
Friday	3 rd	July	End of year disco (tbc)
Friday	17 th	July	Oak Class (Year 6) leavers' mass, 9:30am
Tuesday	21 st	July	Term 6 ends, day finishes at 1:30pm



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MENINGITIS + SEPTICAEMIA

Meningitis
now

Meningitis is a serious condition where the protective layers around the brain and spinal cord become inflamed. Septicaemia is when the bacteria enter the bloodstream to cause blood poisoning. They can happen to anyone, so it's important to know the symptoms and risks.

Early symptoms, such as fever, vomiting, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches, can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis or septicaemia will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

MENINGITIS SYMPTOMS?

- fever
- a very bad headache (this alone is not a reason to get medical help)
- vomiting
- stiff neck
- dislike of bright lights
- rash (DO NOT wait for a rash to appear before seeking medical advice)
- confusion, delirium
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness
- fits

SEPTICAEMIA SYMPTOMS?

- fever and shivering
- severe pains and aches in limbs and joints
- vomiting
- very cold hands and feet
- pale or blotchy skin
- rapid breathing
- diarrhoea and stomach cramps
- red or purple 'bruised' or blotchy rash on skin that does not fade under pressure - do the glass test. On dark skin, check paler areas of the skin, such as the palms of the hands, soles of the feet, inside the mouth (roof), and the eyelids
- difficulty walking or standing
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness

If you become worried about yourself, your child, or a friend, particularly if symptoms are getting worse, seek medical help urgently.

EARLY TREATMENT CAN BE LIFE-SAVING.

Friends of King George V & Badminton Road Playing

Fields

Easter Egg Hunt

Join the fun from Thursday 2nd April until Sunday 12th April 2026.

Enter to win a fantastic prize

Collect your trail sheets from the King George V Pavilion or follow the QR code below to print your own.

Find the clues around the King George V & Badminton Road Fields and drop your completed trail sheets into the post box at the front of Pavilion.

A winner will be announced on Monday 13th April 2026.



In partnership with Downend and Bronley Heath Parish Council



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13 & 14 APRIL 2026

FRENCHAY CRICKET CLUB
10AM - 3PM



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