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Newsletter 28 - 10th May 2019

We are assertive while still showing kindness and respect to each other.

Diary Dates

KS2 SATs Week

Pedestrian Training Y5

Reception Class Bristol Zoo School Visit

Arts Week

End of Term 5

Start Term 6

Swimming Block Sessions (Y5/6 who are working towards 25m)

Art Exhibition

Courtney K

Year 6 Residential Visit

Non Uniform Day – Bring a bottle

FoCP Summer Fair

Sports Day and Family Picnic (from about 9:30am)

FoCP Fun Afternoon

End of School Year

Week beg: 13th May

Tuesday 14th May

Monday 20th May

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Friday 24th May

Monday 3rd June

Week beg; 3rd June

Tuesday 11th June

Thursday 13th June

Week beg: 17th June

Friday 18th 21st June

Saturday 22nd June

Wednesday 3rd July (NB Date Change)

Thursday 18th July 1.10-3.00pm

Tuesday 23rd July

INSET DAYS 2019-20

Monday 2nd September, Tuesday 3rd September, Friday 25th October, Friday 14th February, Monday 20th July 2020

Headteacher's News

This week I would like to give you an update on our staffing arrangements for 2019-20. This earlier than normal announcement has been prompted by Mrs Elmore who is desperate to share the exciting news that she has secured a new teaching post at Wheatfield Primary, a larger school closer to her home. I know that she will be very sad to leave Courtney and she will certainly leave big boots to fill! More on her in a later email.

Also leaving at the end of this year is Miss Joseph who we have unfortunately not been able to keep on due to budgetary constraints. More on her in a later email.

I realise that the announcement of this news will provoke questions from you about who your child's next teacher will be. I am pleased to be able to tell you that all posts have been successfully filled with high quality teachers and we are extremely excited about our staffing team for September 2019. Classes will be taught as follows:

Year R 2019-20: Mrs Westcott and Mrs Brown

Year 1 2019-20: Miss Inman

Year 2 2019-20: Miss Ford

Year 3 2019-20: Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Park (new)

Year 4 2019-20: Miss Tarbard (new)

Year 5 2019-20: Mr Thomas and Mrs Parker

Year 6 2019-20: Mr Green

Of our new appointments, Miss Laura Tarbard has a keen interest in sport, dance and drama.

For Year 3 (who have had disruptions) we have employed two very experienced teachers – Mrs Lucy Nicholls (an Art specialist) and Mrs Kelly Park (with SENCo experience) – who applied for the post as a job-share. Some of you may remember Mrs Park as she has taught here part-time before.

There will be plenty of opportunities for the children to have a proper induction and handover. Mrs Nicholls and Mrs Park have already joined us for a staff meeting this week. Exciting times ahead! **Deborah Wood**

This week's Crown Values Certificates awarded to:

Year R Cherry: Hayden H

Year 1 Oak: Cadi S Year 2 Ash: Ivee C Year 3 Lime: Zaila H Year 4 Maple: Mark W



Attendance Total 96.6%

YR Cherry 94.3% Y1 Oak 96.5% Y2 Ash 97.3% Y3 Lime 97.6%

Y4 Maple 97.5% Y5 Sycamore 96.5%

Y6 Cedar 96.8%



Multiplication Masters

Year 6 Cedar: Shaya B

Year 5 Sycamore: Joseph G & Oscar E

Dylan J, Grace S,



Reading Certificates

Hayden H, Holly H, Hubert K, Mohamad F, Emily C, Lucia B, Lily-Mae D, Jessica L, Kallum G, Ivee C, Brody C-H, Edie A, Marcel Z, Laila-Mai H, William M, Harry J, Mark W, Caitlyn M, Bryony P, Haydn C, Liam B, Cameron S, Henry W, Brandon B, Dylan J, Cole A, Grace S, Ebony C, Dean H, Harvey M, Mia M,



Grow a Pound

The School Council would like to thank everyone who took part in 'Grow a Pound' and raised money for the Children's Hospice South West. We were thrilled to raise £221.85. This total will be added to later in the year when we ask for sponsorship for the Courtney K. We have given 5 house points to each child who took part. There will also be prizes for Ruby and Kai who raised an amazing £108.70 selling cakes – our biggest individual amount - and for Hannah who made lovely bracelets and a fantastic light-up sign to advertise them.

Thank you again to everyone who took part for such an important cause.

The School Council





Year 1The chicks visited year one today, we can't believe how much they have grown!











Community News



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Hold the date for your diary!

Autism South West Parent & carer conference

Thursday 7 November 2019 9:45am – 2:30pm British Aerospace Welfare Association, BAWA Club, Filton BS34 7RG

Our two keynote speakers include Sarah-Jane Critchley, who is an experienced and knowledgeable trainer. She has two autistic daughters and her own consultancy called 'A different joy'.

Debby Elley is the parent of autistic twins and co-founder of a magazine about autism for parents and carers called 'Aukids'.

As well as our keynote speakers, we'll also be hosting a number of workshops on a range of subjects, including sleep, yoga, diet, sensory and anxiety

Feedback from our previous events

"Excellent overview of what autism is"

"A fantastic event. Engaging, informative and empowering" "It was great to hear the experience of an adult autistic person" "Experts in autism at your fingertips"