

Dear Parent/Carer,

A very warm welcome to the third edition of our new look newsletter and it continues to be a positive start to our Autumn term. It's been a busy few weeks and this will continue to be the case until half term. Here goes with all the news!

Enrichment Has Started

Last Friday saw this term's Enrichment start for our children. Indeed, our great children participated in a variety of activities ranging from cookery through to juggling! The purpose of Enrichment is to give our children even more skills and opportunities that they may not be able to access otherwise. Ask your child about their Enrichment activity.

Attendance Week Starts Continues!!!

Every week now sees an Attendance Week and well done to Classes 3, 4 and 5 for winning the cup over the past few weeks. Indeed, I hope that they enjoy their reward and many thanks for your continued support as we strive to achieve our 95% target. Just a reminder that our school's policy on the authorisation of holidays is that, **as a school, we actively discourage holidays being taken during term time.** However if you do intend to have a holiday during school time, it is vital that you collect a holiday form from the school office and return to school at least two weeks before you intend to leave. **If your child's attendance is below 95% for the current year then permission for an authorised holiday will be refused. This means that any time taken for a holiday will be treated as unauthorised.** Please do not hesitate to pop in for a chat if you have any questions or queries.



Lunchtime Detentions

As part of our drive to improve standards as well as prepare our children for secondary school, we have introduced lunchtime detentions. These are for children who are unable to conform to school rules as well as those children who are not producing enough work to a high enough standard. If your child receives a lunchtime detention you will receive a text informing you so and please follow up with your child as to the reasons why.

Many thanks for your support in this matter.

PE Kits, Uniform and Scholars

PE kits should be in school every single day, indeed we have had quite a number of children without kit and, as a result, have missed their lesson! Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in. Furthermore, please ensure that your child is in correct uniform – in particular no hoodies and please ensure that your child is in suitable black shoes. Finally, we have now a new uniform supplier which is now Scholars which, as you know, is located near 'Bog Island'. Prices are very reasonable at £6.50 for a polo short and £8.50 for a jumper.

Michaelmas Day 2011

We've been celebrating the great St Michael at school today with all of our children participating in the famous Michaelmas tournaments as well as enjoying a celebratory ice-cream with a fabulous flake. We will continue to celebrate our great school all week and lookout for next week's newsletter as it will include snapshots and names of all the winners.



Coop Farm Trip and Bath Coffee Festival

You may remember that our school won the best artwork prize at May's Bath Coffee Festival. Indeed, the children's Mexican 'Nacho Libre' artwork was fantastic and, as a result, our school has won 3 expenses paid trips to a farm in Cirencester. Many thanks to the Co-operative supermarket for this great prize and to Miss Walsh for originating the trips. The visits start tomorrow with Class 4, with Class 5 going on Thursday and Class 6 on Friday.



Harvest Donations

We will be celebrating Harvest next week and, as always, we will be collecting food and packets. This year we are collecting for Bath YFC who will distribute the food to some of the most vulnerable and needy groups in our city. Please send in any donations and many thanks for your generosity

Extra-Curricular Clubs Reminder

Just a quick note to say that extra-curricular clubs have commenced and they will run through and finish week ending Friday 2nd December. As always there will be no extra-curricular clubs (unless otherwise stated by the club teacher) during the week of Parent Consultation Evenings (Week beginning Monday 10th October). Finally, if your child signs up to a club they are expected to attend every week and if it is a sports club then they **must** have their PE kits with them.

Terms 1 & 2	Lunchtime Club	After School Club 3.15pm-4.00pm
Mon	Y3 ICT	Y5/Y6 Hockey Club Greenfingers/Gardening Hot Chocolate Story Time
Tues	Y3 ICT	Skittles
Weds	Y3 ICT	Film Club TAG Rugby Multi-sports
Thurs	Y3 ICT	Choir Newspaper Y5/6 Football
Fri	Y3 ICT	Y3/Y4 Hockey Club

Looking Forward - Dates for Your Diary

It continues to be very busy so here goes!

Tuesday 27th September – Farm Trip for Class 4

Thursday 29th September – Farm Trip for Class 5

Friday 30th September – Farm Trip for Class 6

Monday 3rd October – Harvest Week

Details will follow regarding our Harvest celebrations next week.

And Finally.....

Many congratulations to Miss Gerrish who became Mrs Samuddin over the weekend. I am sure you are with me in wishing Mr and Mrs Samuddin all the best for the future.

With every good wish,

Mr Dave Goucher

Headteacher.



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