

11th March 2022

**Our School Christian Vision - 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'**

*Rooted in Matthew 7 24 – 25 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'*

## Message from the Headteacher

A huge thanks to all of our parents for their support in our Ukariane donation appeal. We have been overwhelmed by the generosity and multiple trips have had to be made to deliver the goods. We have been informed that a lorry, driven by locals and sponsored by Yeo Valley, left on Wednesday full of supplies. The donation box is still at the main entrance and will be for the next few weeks.

Lots of exciting learning has taken place this week including Roman mosaics in Year 4, some interesting 'If I ruled the world' poems have been written in Year 2 and today the children in Reception have enjoyed creating and using obstacles courses as part of their healthy me unit in PSHE.

On Monday evening, 9 children from Year 6 took part in a cross country event at Somervale School. All children ran just over 1 mile and worked really hard to pace themselves the whole distance. The boys came 3rd and the girls came in 4th place. Super running, well done all!



Wishing you all a lovely weekend.  
Mrs West-Gaul

## Dates for your Diary

- 17th March** - STEM Fair
- 18th March** - Red Nose Day
- 21st March** - 1st April - Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel
- 21st March** - Odd Socks for World Down Syndrome Day
- 24th March** - PTA Disco
- w/c 28th March** - No teacher led afterschool clubs (Multiskills, Basketball, Football and Rugby on as usual)
- 30th & 31st March** - Parents Evening

## Term 3 Christian Value: Hope



**'Hope is coupled with faith and love as one of the three most enduring gifts of the Spirit'** (1 Corinthians 13:13).

## Stars of the week

Well done to all of our pupils who have been awarded a certificate this week!



<b>Acorn class</b>	Freddie Nancy
<b>Ash class</b>	Reggie
<b>Birch class</b>	Millie
<b>Chestnut class</b>	Josh
<b>Elm class</b>	Joshua
<b>Holly class</b>	Emilia
<b>Hazel class</b>	Jacob
<b>Maple class</b>	Nikita
<b>Oak class</b>	April C
<b>Pine class</b>	Devon
<b>Rowan class</b>	Freddie
<b>Sycamore class</b>	Finley
<b>Willow class</b>	Hugo

## STEM fair

The STEM fair will be taking place next Thursday 17th March. Those children who have entered will need to set up a table to present from after school Wednesday. If you are picking up your child on Wednesday at 3pm then it would be really helpful for us if you could bring the entry with you at pick up for your child to set up in the hall at 3pm .If your child attends an after school club Wednesday then they can bring it in Wednesday morning and we will store it in the cookery room. This will ensure it is ready for the next day, as we are inviting parents/carers to look around our STEM fair Thursday morning between 8.20 - 8.50am.

On another note if there are any parents/carers who have a STEM based career and would like to help judge our STEM fair then could you email the office to let them know you are happy to help. I am hoping for judging to take place between 8.20 - 8.50am.

Thank you to all who have been working hard at home to help get these projects ready. We cannot wait to see them!

## Parents Evening

We are thrilled to announce that we will be holding face to face parents evenings on **Wednesday 30th and Thursday 31st March.**

In order to keep everyone safe we will be operating a one way system. Please enter through the pottery room door and your child's books will be available to view along the Year 4 corridor. You will be asked to remain there until your allocated time slot, when you will go to the hall to meet with your child's teacher. Where possible, please can children not attend to keep numbers to a minimum.

More details will follow regarding booking your slots via ParentMail.

Please note that there will be no teacher led afterschool clubs w/c 28th March.

## Ukraine Appeal

One of our parents, Jenny Dando, has volunteered to organise a collection for the Ukraine appeal. There will be a box located outside of the main office which will be emptied every Monday morning.

If you are able to donate any of the following items to the appeal then please place them in the blue bin:



### Baby

Baby wipes  
Soothers  
Baby food with a long expiration date  
baby milk  
nappies  
sudocrem/nappy cream  
baby bottles  
baby shampoo/bath bubbles

### Children

colouring books  
Colouring pencils  
crayons  
hairbrush  
sponge  
face flannel  
shower gel  
shampoo

### Adults

Shampoo  
Shower gel  
Sanitary pads  
Deodorant  
Toothpaste  
Toothbrush



## Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who has bought a red nose this week - we have managed to sell three boxes so thank you, but we have now run out!

Next Friday will be Red Nose muffin which you can wear for £1. This can be wearing red, something Red Nose crazy or just your own clothes - whatever you are comfortable with! In school there will also be different fun activities going on!

We would also like all budding star bakers to have a go at making some Red Nose bakes of your choice! In the morning bring them to the cookery room, making sure they are labelled with your name and class, and at lunchtime School Council will judge the winning bakes. We will then sell them all at the end of the day. You can choose what you make - if you would like the recipes from this year they are available on the Comic Relief website.

Thank you for all your support with this great cause!



## School Shoes

A reminder that pupils should be coming to school wearing black school shoes (not trainers) which are fastened with Velcro unless they are able to tie their own shoes. We are starting to see a lot of pupils coming into school wearing trainers which are not part of school uniform. Pupils should wear black daps for PE or trainers which should be predominantly black.

## Picture news



How might your life be different if you weren't able to go to school?



## In the news this week

Six months after the Taliban seized power in Kabul, Afghanistan, there have been big changes to the lives of many in the country, particularly for the younger generation. The BBC has reported that more and more Afghan children are having to work to help support themselves and their families. As many people have not been paid for months, some children have had to work and earn money, instead of going to school. The Taliban also declared that girls would no longer be able to attend secondary school. Some schools are campaigning hard to remain open for all pupils.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk about your school and all the different things you learn there. Can you ask an adult at home about their experience of school? How was it similar to your experience and how was it different?
- What do you think life might be like for young people in Afghanistan at the moment? How do you think they might be feeling?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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## Reading in Seedlings class

At nursery we have been learning about spring and growth. We have enjoyed sharing a wide range of books and used our imaginations to participate in story sack activities as a group.

Our Christian value this term is Hope and the children have enjoyed the story 'That's not a daffodil' about a friendship between a child and his neighbour and their anticipation and patience waiting for the daffodil to grow. This has led to some exciting descriptive language as the children investigate the daffodils growing at nursery!



We have enjoyed hands-on exploration of different life cycles, and we have used a variety of fiction and non fiction books to support the children's learning, such as a lovely story called 'The teeny tiny tadpole,' and a science life cycle book 'tadpole to frog.' The children have learned new vocabulary describing the different stages of a frog life cycle, and enjoy identifying frogspawn (which we made ourselves from tapioca and chia seeds!), tadpole, froglet and frog, (which we made using egg boxes!)



## CREATIVE MINDS



April 11th - 22nd

The Hive Community Centre  
Peasedown St John

8am - Breakfast Club  
9am - 4pm - Holiday Club



**SIGN UP NOW! From £16.50 a day!\***

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## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Here's what is happening in your Libraries this week

w/c March 14 2022

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via Social Media or via the blog.

### Bath Central Library

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun

Thursday 12.00 - 12.30 pm 17 Mar

Art in the Library - Bath Artist Printmakers

Monday - Saturday 2 - 30 Mar

### Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun

Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00 am 15 Mar

### Midsomer Norton Library

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun

Wednesdays 10.30 - 11.00 am 16 Mar

### Mobile Library

The Mobile Library may stop near you! Pop in for a visit, return your books, collect a reservation and choose something new to read. You can do all this and more with your B&NES or LibrariesWest library card.

For the Route Timetable, please visit:  
<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/mobile-library-service>

### 'Share a Memory'

We're asking for you to share your memories and photos of the Coronation, Jubilees and Royal visits in BaNES

Online or in Libraries

1 March - 18 April

### Digital

Women's History Month  
All Social Media

Free Wills Month  
All Social Media

Unboxed Festival  
March - October  
All Social Media

Children's Book Review  
19 March  
Bathnes Libraries Blog

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Blog  
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## Citizenship and Character Award

Here are some suggestions for those of you who wish to work towards your Citizenship and Character Award this weekend:

- Try food from another culture (Physical Me)
- Understand perception (Developing Me) - We are all unique individuals; we all experience the world in different ways and therefore have different feelings and opinions about certain matters. You could show your understanding of perception by choosing one of your favourite books and discussing how the different characters are feeling and why.
- Make a home for wildlife (Local Me) - There are lots of wild animals in our local area that are endangered, which means they might become extinct in the future if we don't do something to protect them and their habitats. On the internet, there are lots of good ideas for designing and building 'homes' in your garden for bees, hedgehogs and mice.

## Sustrans big walk and wheel

We're taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2022, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 21st March to 1st April.



This event is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing. Schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of active journeys to school to be in with the chance of winning a school prize!

## Top Doodlers this week!

Acorn - Leo  
Chestnut - Gabriel  
Hazel - Lucy  
Pine - Erin  
Willow - Isabelle

Ash - Charlie  
Elm - Owen  
Maple - Miley  
Rowan - Isla

Birch - Rhodri  
Holly - Isla  
Oak - Isla  
Sycamore - Melissa



## Out of School Achievement

Last Friday night Lilly in Holly Class took part in the Big Bath Sleep Out for Julian House, helping raise funds and awareness for those who are forced to sleep out every night. So far she has raised £300!  
If anyone else wishes to donate the link to do so is

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lilly-hull](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/lilly-hull)



Congratulations to Erin Pine class who received her certificate, badge & medal for her Gymnastic proficiency award 1 this week.

