

8th April 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

Our last week of term has been an incredibly busy one but it has been lovely for the pupils to be able to take part in activities, some of which haven't been able to happen since prior to Covid.

It was an honour to be able to accompany Year 4 to their camp at Kilve Cprt, something that we haven't been able to offer for the past 3 years. All the pupils behaved wonderfully and it was a really enriching experience for them all.

Back at school some children from Year 5 and 6 took part in a Team Challenge Day on Monday and our Year 2 pupils had a visit to Radstock Museum as part of the Victorian topic. They learnt that life at St John's is not as hard as they thought compared to schooling in Victorian Britain.

In sport a team of Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a Tag Rugby Tournament on Tuesday at Norton Hill School and our school football team played at home to Paulton and drew 4 all.

On Thursday pupils joined together at St John's Church for an Easter service led by Year 6 pupils.

On behalf of all St John's staff we wish you a very Happy Easter and we look forward to seeing you all back for the summer term.



## Dates for your Diary

25th April - Start of Term 5  
29th April - Mufti for house point winners **Harris**  
2nd May - Bank holiday  
4th May - Young Voices  
9th May - Year 6 SATS

## 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>	Ori Eva
<b>Ash class</b>	Jack He
<b>Birch class</b>	Zena
<b>Chestnut class</b>	DeWet
<b>Elm class</b>	Aoife
<b>Holly class</b>	Fin
<b>Hazel class</b>	Alfie
<b>Maple class</b>	Charlie M
<b>Oak class</b>	Tyler
<b>Pine class</b>	Freddie
<b>Rowan class</b>	Rebecca
<b>Sycamore class</b>	Eva
<b>Willow class</b>	Alisha

## Year 4 Residential - Kilve Court

On Monday Year 4 left for their three day residential at Kilve Court. On the first evening they completed an uphill hike to the highest point of the Quantocks followed by shelter building in the woods. After a lovely curry for dinner they spent the evening playing team games on the lawn. On Tuesday they took part in a whole range of activities including archery, low ropes, team building and scaling a climbing wall. On our last night we all enjoyed an amazing torch light walk before bed. Well done to all the children (and staff!) who took part. You all showed amazing resilience and team building skills and most of all had fun!



## Year 2 Trip to Radstock Museum

This week our Year 2 pupils had a fantastic morning at Radstock Museum. The class got to dress up as Victorian children and experience a lesson in the Victorian school room. The children also learnt about the coal mines and blacksmiths to support their learning of our Victorian topic this term. The children were fantastically behaved and were excited to share what they learnt on their return to school.



## Sporting achievements

Children from Year 5 and Year 6 took part in a tag rugby tournament against 7 other schools on Tuesday at Norton Hill School. They all played really well and worked brilliantly as a team.



It was a great team effort from our Year 6 boys football team on Thursday evening. The team drew 4-4 with Paulton Primary School. Very well played and a special mention to Luke and Harry for scoring!



## Team Challenge Day

A number of children from Year 5 and 6 were very lucky to participate in a Team Challenge day at Mendip Activity Centre on Monday. The day was packed full of outdoor activities including archery, fire lighting and lots of team work! The group of children had to work together to dispose of a pretend bomb without it exploding as well as fit through a spiders web without touching the sides. We all had such a fantastic day, the rain didn't stop us!



## Forest School / PE information

Term 5 Forest School and PE days are as follows starting on Monday 25th April.

	Forest School	PE		Forest School	PE
<b>Acorn</b>	Fri	Mon *	<b>Maple</b>	/	Mon & Thurs*
<b>Ash</b>	Tues	Tues *	<b>Oak</b>	Thurs	Tues & Thurs
<b>Birch</b>	/	Tues *	<b>Pine</b>	Tues	Wed* & Fri
<b>Chestnut</b>	/	Mon & Tues	<b>Rowan</b>	Tues	Wed* & Fri
<b>Elm</b>	Mon	Wed & Thurs	<b>Sycamore</b>	/	Mon * & Fri
<b>Holly</b>	Tues	Wed	<b>Willow</b>	Fri	Mon *
<b>Hazel</b>	Fri	Wed			

\* Pupils to wear PE kit into school and bring school uniform to change into afterwards.

## School Uniform

After Easter pupils are welcome to wear Summer uniform to school. This consists of purple summer dress with socks (not tights), grey shorts, shorts leaved shirt and tie. Please can we remind parents that black school shoes (not trainers) must be worn. Children who wear shirts must wear them tucked in and a tie must be worn. We are starting to see school uniform standards slide and will be enforcing the correct wearing of school uniform in the Summer term.

Large headbands and jewellery are not part of school uniform. Small stud earrings may be worn but must be removed by your child for PE.

Extremes of hairstyle are not permitted e.g. nothing shorter than a number 2, unnatural colours or hair extensions. A break of these rules may result in the pupil having a loss of playtime, being isolated in school or sent home. The Headteacher, with the support of the Governing Body, reserves the right to ask any child considered inappropriately dressed to return home and dress in the appropriate manner.



## Year 1 Learning

In Science this term we have been exploring the properties of materials. This week we have been investigating the most suitable materials to mend Miss Scriven's and Mrs Haigh's umbrella! We had to ensure we were fairly testing the materials we selected by carefully.



In History this term we have been learning about dinosaurs, fossils and Mary Anning. We discovered why it is so important to be careful when being fossil detectives. We learnt about Mary Anning's life. We then investigated why it was so unusual for a woman to be famous during Victorian times and how society has changed.



In English we have been learning about non-chronological reports. We have been writing our own reports all about dinosaurs linking back to our History topic.

## Out of School Achievements

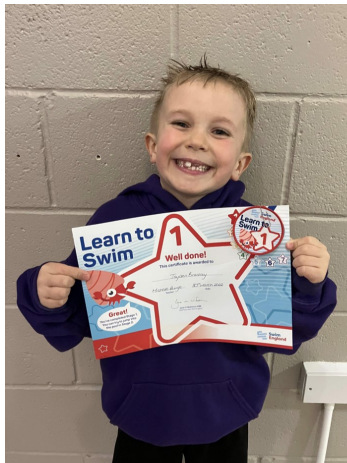


Well done to Reuben and Freya (Yr1) for your recent grading with and being promoted to the next belt.

Congratulations to Harry (Ash class) who was very proud to receive his 15 metre swimming certificate & badge on Saturday.



Huge well done to Nyla (Hazel class) for being awarded your 100m swimming badge and certificate.



Massive well done to Jayden (Ash class) for passing his stage 1 swimming and also passing his latest grading with Jamie woodlands black belt academy this week.



## Rotakids: Food Bank Donation Appeal

The Rotakids have noticed in recent weeks that the amount of donations made to food bank collection points in supermarkets has dwindled. This is something that has concerned us greatly as the cost of living is rising and we are worried that more people in our local area will struggle to put enough food on the table. We would therefore like to appeal to people in our school community to bring donations into school if they are able to.

- **What?** We would be grateful for donations of: food with a long shelf-life, sanitary products, household cleaning products and carrier bags.
- **When?** We would like all donations to be made by Wednesday 6th April, so that they can be delivered to a local food bank before the Easter holidays.
- **Where?** We would be grateful if all donations could come to Miss Banwell in Year 6.

## Top Doodlers this week!

Acorn - Sophia  
Chestnut - Henry  
Hazel - Jacob  
Pine - Erin  
Willow - Daksha

Ash - Harry  
Elm - Luca  
Maple - Miley  
Rowan - Matilda

Birch - Dorothy  
Holly - Isla  
Oak - Charlie  
Sycamore - Melissa



## Picture news



## In the news this week

A £16 billion proposal to build a huge solar power station in space is being explored by the government, the science minister has said. George Freeman, an investor who was appointed minister for science, research, and innovation last year, said his department had met with a group that wants to develop a solar farm in orbit, which would beam renewable energy back to Earth. It is thought that by the mid-2040s, it should be able to deliver about 30GW of continuous power straight from space.

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

- > Do you think that using solar panels in space is a good idea for generating energy?
- > Can you make a list of different inventions that you use every day?
- > What is your favourite invention? Why is it your favourite?
- > Can you think of anything that you would invent? Why?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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## Citizenship and Character Awards

Whilst enjoying the two weeks of holiday, here are some suggestions for how you could tick off some of the tasks on your Citizenship and Character passport:

- Walk somewhere new (Wellbeing Me) - This could be somewhere far away if you're travelling with your family this Easter or it could be somewhere in your local area that you have never explored before.
- Build a den (Physical Me) - This could be outside using natural materials or it could be inside using sheets and cushions!
- Organise something (Developing Me) - Why not organise your very own Easter egg hunt and see if your siblings and friends can find the treats that you have hidden!

## N Fest Easter Egg-ercise

Join Welton Baptist Church's N'Fest Team & friends this Easter for it's N'Fest Amazing Easter Race or Ramble. Enter a team to race through or ramble along 10 Activities that bring to life what happened on the very first Easter weekend.



**Venue:** MSN Town Park **When:** 10 April 2.30 pm - staggered team starts at 5 minute intervals. Register a team of up to 4 people .

All ages welcome but each team must have 1 adult over the age of 18. To register please go to [Nfest Eventbrite](#).

### EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c April 11 2022 & w/c April 18 2022

Here's what is happening in your Libraries this Easter

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

#### Bath Central Library

Easter Holiday Crafts, Family Fun Drop In  
Monday - Saturday 9 - 23 April

Lego Lab, Ages 6 + Drop In  
Monday - Saturday 11 - 23 April

Art in the Library - Nina & Christine Davis, Textiles and Mixed Media  
Monday - Saturday 4 - 29 April

Reusable Nappy Week Display with Bath Cloth Nappy Library  
Monday - Saturday 20 - 27 April

#### Keynsham Library

Easter Holiday Crafts, Cracking Card Making, Family Fun Drop In  
Saturday 9.30 - 4.30pm 16 April

Cubing Club, KS2 & 3 Drop In  
Thursday 10.30 - 11.00am 14 & 21 April

#### Midsomer Norton Library

Easter Egg Hunt and Quiz, Family Fun Drop In  
Monday - Saturday 09 - 23 April

#### Mobile Library

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

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

#### Digital All Social Media

Unboxed Festival March - October

Children's Book Review 16, 23 April

Bathnes Libraries Blog

World Book Night 23 April

#### '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

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Blog bathneslibraries.wordpress.com

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## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH PARISH OF MIDSOMER NORTON WITH CLANDOWN

### EASTER SERVICES

Holy Eucharist - Monday 11th April 12 noon.  
Holy Eucharist - Tuesday 12th April 7:30pm.  
Holy Eucharist - Wednesday 13th April 12 noon.  
Maundy Thursday Liturgy - Thursday 14th April 7:30pm.  
Good Friday - Time of Meditation and Reflection - 12 - 3pm.  
Easter Eve Vigil service - Saturday 16th April 7:30pm.  
Easter Day services - 8am and 10am.

## He Is Risen!