

11th November 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

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts for the British Legion Poppy Appeal. Today the children have taken part in a two minutes silence at 11am and this afternoon reflected in collective worship about what remembrance is and who we are remembering. As part of this the children explored the poem 'What are we fighting for?' taken from the poetry book 'What are we fighting for?' by Brian Moses and Roger Stevens.

This week I had the pleasure of awarding Head Teacher's awards to children across the school. As I presented them to each class I was told by teachers about the determination and resilience of individuals as well as the kindness and compassion that so many were showing to others. Don't forget to let us know of any wow moments you are sharing with your children at home through our values nomination award attached.

Next Monday (14th November) St John's will be raising awareness of World Diabetes Day. We are asking that the children come into school in their school uniform but with a blue accessory to show their support. If you would like to support this cause then donations will be collected in classes.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Mrs West-Gaul

A Prayer for Remembrance

Ever-living God,
We remember those whom you have
gathered from the storm of war
into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: PEACE



"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God." (Matthew 5:9)

Dates for your Diary

Mon 14th Nov: Blue Accessory for Diabetes

Thurs 17th Nov: Sports for Champions (PE Kit)

Fri 18th Nov: PTA Christmas Craft Workshop

Sat 26th Nov: PTA Christmas Fete

Tues 6th Dec: Year 2 Carols by Candlelight

Wed 7th Dec: Reception Nativity, 1.30pm

Thurs 8th Dec: Year 1 Nativity, 5pm

Wed 14th Dec: Christmas Dinners

Thurs 15th Dec: Christmas Services

Fri 16th Dec: PTA Christmas Muffin Day

What are we Fighting For?



What are we fighting for?
We have to do or die.
What are we fighting for?
We can't turn a blind eye.
What are we fighting for?
To sleep safely in bed.
What are we fighting for?
To keep away fear and dread.
What are we fighting for?
To keep our children free.
What are we fighting for?
To choose our own destiny.
What are we fighting for?
Because there's nowhere else to hide.
What are we fighting for?
Because so many have died.
What are we fighting for?
To challenge oppression.
What are we fighting for?
To combat aggression.

What are we fighting for?
To win us the war.
What are we fighting for?
So there won't be any more.
What are we fighting for?
So that we can make sure.
What are we fighting for?
It's a war to end war.
What are we fighting for?
So we'll never need to say.
What are we fighting for?



Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award this week!



Top Doodling Class

Doodle Maths: Willow (6B)

Congratulations to all the pupils in the green zone!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Casey Harrison	- -
Ash class	Bella	Myka
Birch class	Sophie	Lola
Chestnut class	Indigo	Maisie
Elm class	Isaac	Ezra
Hazel class	Texa	Jude
Holly class	Amber	James
Maple class	Nyla	Isabelle
Oak class	Rex	Lilly
Pine class	Oliver	Charlie
Rowan class	Rosie	Delilah
Sycamore class	Thomas	Rebecca
Willow class	Spencer	Tyler

Rotakids Outing

Last Friday, the Rotakids were invited to attend a lunch at the Centurion Hotel with the Midsomer Norton & Radstock Rotary Club.

The guest of honour at this lunch was a representative of the Children's Air Ambulance, who talked to the children about the importance of the charity. The children learned that each life-saving mission conducted by the Children's Air Ambulance costs £3,500, yet the charity does not receive any support from the government!

Each of the Rotakids left this event with a strong desire to spread awareness about the Children's Air Ambulance and the amazing work they do, and to perhaps participate in some fund-raising activities for this charity in the future.



Sports For Schools Visit

A reminder that Maddi Tarrant will be coming into school on Thursday 17th November, to demonstrate her trampoline skills and put the children through their paces in an activity course!

<https://www.sportsforchampions.com/maddi-tarrant/>



Your child was sent home with a fundraising collection sheet a few weeks ago, for donations and fundraising to be collected. There is now a live link for a Crowdfunder, which will allow you to donate online instead of the hassle of collecting cash and bringing it into school. The link is below:

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/stjohnscofeprimaryschool>

This is a really great opportunity to raise funds for tomorrow's athletes and along the way raise money for the school and extra equipment for the children.

On the day, the children will wear their PE kit all day and we are requesting a voluntary £1 donation, which can be handed to their class teacher or the office.

Biathlon Success!

Students from St John's took part in the South West Regional Biathlon Championships at The University of Bath, last Sunday.

The children competed in the pool, with an amazing swim and on the track with a tough run. All children represented the school fantastically and were a real credit to our community.

Congratulations to all the children involved - Henry D, Henry S, Poppy H, Mabel G, Ronnie G, Freddie M, Isaac B, Joshua G, Edward H, Eliza N and Matilda K.

If this is something you would be interested in competing in next year, please let Mr Cracknell know.



Great Girls Football



St John's Girls' Football Team took part in a cup competition against Farmborough on Wednesday. The girls all did a fantastic job of representing the school. Despite losing 4-1, they all walked away extremely proud of themselves, with big smiles and slightly red faces. They are all looking forward to playing again later in the year.

If your child would like to sign up to Year 5/6 football on a Tuesday afterschool, please let the office know.



Diwali Workshops

Year 3 spent this morning with a visitor from the Hindu faith. They explored the story of Rama and Sita before learning some dance moves. They had a lot of fun today and learnt a lot about Diwali and its significance to Hindus.



Rotakids Cake Sale

We are delighted to inform you that the Rotakids will be holding another cake sale on Wednesday 30th November. It will begin at 3pm outside the school office.

All cakes will cost 50p. Every penny we make will be split equally between the following five charities:

- Young Minds (Mayne)
- The RNLI (Harris)
- Cancer Research (Kelston)
- The RSPCA (Sperring)
- Vaccinations against Polio (Rotakids)

We are also hoping that people will be willing to donate cakes for this event - both home-baked and shop-bought cakes are welcome. If you are able to donate, please drop your cakes off at the cookery room on the morning of the sale.

Thank you,
Esmee (Secretary of the Rotakids)

Rotakids Charity Ballot

Last week, the Rotakids organised a ballot in school in which the children in each house were able to vote for their favourite charity.

The idea behind this was that, as a school, we would be able to support a variety of different charities, but families would only need to donate once if they wish to. We hope that this will lift some of the burden caused by the cost of living crisis, whilst still enabling our community to support many different worthy causes. We are pleased to announce that the results are as follows:

Mayne - Young Minds
Harris - The RNLI
Kelston - Cancer Research
Sperring - The RSPCA

For the rest of this academic year, all of the money that is raised through children-led fundraising activities (as opposed to PTA events), will be split between these charities. Keep an eye open for upcoming events!



TIMSBURY THEATRE GROUP
PRESENTS

Beauty and the Beast

A Tale as Old as Pantomime

A TRADITIONAL FAMILY PANTOMIME BY BRIAN LUFF

14TH-16TH DECEMBER 7.30PM
17TH DECEMBER 2PM & 6PM

CONYGRE HALL TIMSBURY BA2 0JQ

TICKETS: £10 ADULT - £6 CHILD OR £28 FOR FAMILY (2+2)

www.thettg.org
Email: timsburytheatre@gmail.com

Or visit us at the Conygre Hall
any Tuesday from 7.30-9 pm
to order and collect in person



St John's Primary MSN Christmas Fete

Saturday 26th November
11am- 2pm
Everyone welcome!



Come along for a day of fun.
We have stalls, raffle, a games
room, Reindeer food making,
Cookie decorating, Hot food, A
Bar, and of course the Big man
himself!

St John's C of E Primary school, Redfield Road, MSN, BA3 2JN

FESTIVE FUN FAMILY SESSION



for families with children who have SEND

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: BOARD GAMES- GROUP
GAMES- ARTS AND CRAFTS-FAMILY FILM
AND COOKING AND EATING A MEAL
TOGETHER

MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER 2022

From 10:00am - 3:00PM

FOSSE WAY SCHOOL, Radstock BA3 3AL

£10 per family booking

BOOKING REQUIRED: roz@bathareaplayproject.co.uk

WWW.BAPP.ORG.UK



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES w/c 14 November

Here's what is happening in
your Libraries this week

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

Bath Central Library

Art in the Library - Ukrainian Art, Posters
from Ukrainian Artists

Monday - Saturday 2 Nov - 16 Dec

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

Mon - Sat During opening hours

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun **

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00 am 15 Nov

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun **

Wednesday 11.00 - 11.30 am 16 Nov

Sensory Space, for families with children
and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

Tree of Deforestation - Made by Year 4s at
Widcombe C of E Junior School

Mon - Sat During opening hours

Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun **

Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00 am 15 Nov
10.30 - 11.00 am

Storytime Sessions & Craft, Family Fun **

Thursdays 11.00 - 12.00pm 17 Nov

Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun **

Monday 11.00 - 11.30 am 14 Nov

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun **

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00 am 16 Nov

Digital All Social Media

Men's Health Month
- November, 1 - 30
November

Children's Book
Review
19 November
Bathnes Libraries Blog

**World Nursery
Rhyme Week - Dress
up as your favourite
Nursery Rhyme
character for
Storytime and Bounce
& Rhyme!

Mon - Thurs 14 - 17 Nov

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