

8th March 2024

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

What a wonderful Book Week we have enjoyed! Everyone looked amazing in their costumes on World Book Day and there were some brilliant creative ideas. Well done to Thea and Poppie T for being the winners of the creative costume competition.

Well done to everyone who entered the poetry competition. I know it was a very difficult job choosing the winners! Our winners were Samantha, Olivia H and Olive!

Thank you once again for all the books which were donated towards our book swap. The children had a great time browsing the selection and choosing their books this morning and will enjoy reading them at home!

Some of our Year Five pupils began their Bikeability session this week. I have been lucky enough to observe these sessions and all the children are progressing well. The children quickly progressed to going out on the roads and showed that they could be safe in the local environment.

Healthy Snacks - please can we remind you to provide your child with a healthy snack for break times. We are seeing an increase in children bringing in crisps and chocolate bars which are not appropriate for school break times.

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend and, if you mark the occasion, a Happy Mother's Day for Sunday!

Mrs Monks



**CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM:
HOPE**

Dates for Your Diary

MARCH	
7th	World Book Day
11th	Rotakids Cake Competition and Sale, 3pm
12th - 19th	School Book Fair, 3pm
13th	STEM Fair (Note new date)
14th	Fun Science Demonstration
14th	Year 6 SATs Information Session, 3.15pm
25th	Dance Umbrella
26th & 27th	Parents' Evenings (please see ParentMail for booking details)
27th	Easter Services: 9am: A Classes and Acorns 1.45pm: B Classes
28th	PTA Non-uniform Day & Cake Sale End of Term 4

Teacher-Led After-School Clubs

Please be reminded that all teacher-led after school clubs will be cancelled on:

- Tuesday 19th March (except Gardening Club) due to teacher training.
- During the week of 25th - 28th March due to Parents' Evenings.

Hot Chocolate Friday



Awards of the Week

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

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Emilia Oliver K	Stanley Halle
Ash	Izzy	Aubrie
Birch	Jesse	Harry
Chestnut	Eva	Thea
Elm	Samantha	Senna
Hazel	Jesse	Jack B
Holly	Ezra	Rhodri
Maple	Olivia	Owen
Oak	Henry Eva	Ava
Pine	Dougie	Reggie
Rowan	Isabelle H	Bella
Sycamore	Isaac	Josh A
Willow	Charlie	Isabelle

Top Doodling Class

2A

Well done!



Forever Sport Stars of the Day:

Year 6 Sycamore - Zack
 Year 6 Willow - Poppy
 Year 5 Pine - Emilia and Harry
 Year 5 Rowan - Colby
 Year 4 Maple - Olivia
 Year 4 Oak - Teddy and Ava
 Year 3 Hazel - Mollie
 Year 3 Holly - Kobe
 Year 2 Elm - Freddie and Evie
 Year 2 Chestnut - Myka and Harry
 Year 1 Ash - Eva and Blake
 Year 1 Birch - Class star of the day

Great Work!

Out of School Achievements

Chloe from Pine Class had the fantastic experience of performing in 'Across the Line' at His Majesty's Theatre in London at the weekend with the Pauline Quirke Academy.



Oliver passed his stage 2 swimming!



Sophie and Emilee have had between them 19 inches of hair cut off and are donating it to the Princess Trust.



World Book Day



Wow! What an amazing World Book Day we have had! The children really went all out with the costumes and really thought about their character descriptions.



We had a very busy day. In the morning, Years Four, Five and six had a visit from debut author, Ash Bond, to share her first ever children's novel 'Peregrine Quinn and the Cosmic Realm'. The children were really engaged and together they came up with a brilliant idea for a story set on a snowy mountain with warring unicorns and dragons. Ash's book is available to pre order at Waterstones.

In Years Two and Three, we had a virtual author visit with John Patrick Green, author and illustrator of the Investigator series. John taught us how to draw the main characters: Mango and Brash. He told us that his favourite book that he has written is 'Heist and Seek'.



In Year One, pupils focused on 'The Rainbow Fish' and used collage to create its scales and they did some writing based on the story.

In Acorns, pupils turned their attention to 'Burglar Bill' and 'The Snail and The Whale', creating finger print profiles just like detective and glittery snail trails.



We also had trips to the library and buddied up with a different class to read to our peers.

A busy and fun day was had by all!



Science Week and STEM Fayre

A reminder that our Science Week commences on Monday.

Please could children who are entering into the STEM Fayre please bring their entries on Monday and Tuesday morning in preparation for the Fayre on Wednesday.

Parents are invited to see the fayre on Wednesday morning between 8.30am - 9am

RotaKids 2024 Competition and Cake Sale



Dear Parents/Guardians,

COMPETITION TIME!

On Monday 11th March, the RotaKids are hosting a cake competition and sale.

This year's theme is 'Nature and Environment'. We are looking forward to your baked entries based on this theme! Entries will be judged by the members of Rotakids and prizes will be awarded for the most unique cakes entered. Prizes include a voucher for a 2 day dungeons and dragons club taking place in the school holidays!

If you would like to take part in our competition, please let us know with your name, class, unique cake name and what type of cake you would like to enter,

All cakes entered in the competition will be sold at the end of the day in the cake sale! The sale will commence at 3.00pm and will take place outside the pottery room (look out for the RotaKids gazebo).

All cupcakes and cake slices will be priced at 50p each and all proceeds will be donated to the Silver Street Nature Reserve based here in Midsomer Norton. If you do not want to enter the competition but are willing to donate cakes (baked or bought!) these will be greatly received! If you are able to donate, please bring your cakes to the Pottery room on the morning of 11th March.



Learning in Acorns

As part of our 'Out and About' topic this term we have been learning to program the Beebots to move around a map of a town! We had a lot of fun getting them to move from one place to another and we worked brilliantly to help each other! We look forward to exploring them further!



Reading in Year Six

This week Year Six have celebrated World Book Day in style! Whilst dressed up as our favourite book characters, we have tested our knowledge of literacy and authors through whole class quizzes, explored new texts during story time with our class teachers and have enjoyed exploring new texts following the school 'Book Swap'.

We have also spent time delving deeper into our current Guided Reading text: 'Arctic Star' by Tom Palmer. The children have amazed us with their ability to make links between this storyline and our learning around World War II.

Mr Cracknell's Challenge

At the start of the year, as a school we focus on setting goals and achievements for the year. Excitingly, I've accepted a unique challenge from my inspiring year 5 students – to run the Brighton Marathon! As I lace up my running shoes, I realise that this journey goes beyond personal fitness; it's about making a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

The motivation behind my marathon endeavor extends to the incredible team at Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH). Their tireless efforts to provide the best possible future for children has left an indelible mark on my heart. Every day, they work brilliantly hard to make a lasting impact on the lives of young ones.

By joining this marathon, I aim to give back to GOSH for their unwavering commitment to children's health. I would be extremely grateful if anyone could donate anything, as little as £2, towards this amazing charity and fuel my ambition to raise as much as possible for this incredible and inspiring charity.

If you do donate, please leave your name and Children's names so that I can thank you.

Here is my Just Giving link and QR code:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/theteacherthatruns1?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=theteacherthatruns1&utm_campaign=pfp-share&utm_term=332ca5596c6449e69917a456504b62e8

Matt Cracknell's
JustGiving Page





NON SCHOOL & UNIFORM CAKE SALE

CaKe donations from
Y2 & Y5
Sold at Break for 25p

28th
March



Mothering Sunday

at St John's Church, Midsomer Norton



Come and join us as we celebrate
all those who mother and care for us.

With prayers and posies courtesy of
our friends St John's School.

All are welcome!

10am Sunday 10th March 2024

LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c
11 March

Bath Central Library

Centenary Storytime	Tuesday	10.30 - 11.00am	12 March
Baby Bounce and Rhyme	Wednesday	10.30 - 11.00am	13 March
Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability	Thursday	10.00 - 12.00pm	14 March
Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in	Friday	10.00 - 2.00pm	15 March
Board Game Saturdays	Saturday	12.30 - 4.00pm	16 March
Art in the Library: Views from the Pavement	Mon - Sat	during opening hours	6 - 28 March
Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs	Mon - Sat	Book a Session via Eventbrite	
Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In	Mon - Sat	During opening hours	

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via the blog.
Visit bathneslibraries.wordpress.com

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11 March

Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce and Rhyme	Tuesday	9.30 - 10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am	12 March
Centenary Storytime & Craft	Thursday	11.00 - 11.30am	14 March
Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs	Mon - Sat	Book a Session via Eventbrite	
Board Game Saturdays	Saturday	12.30 - 4.00pm	16 March
Art in the Library: Morwhenna Woolcock - The UK Islands Project	Mon - Sat	during opening hours	27 Feb - 4 April

Midsomer Norton Library

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Knife Crime Awareness Event for Parents and Carers

The B&NES Violence Reduction Partnership (VRP) are running a series of knife crime awareness events throughout February and March.

These events will take place in schools across the area. The first event will be held at Writhlington School on February 22nd (17.30 to 19.30), followed by Hayesfield Girls School on February 29th (18.00 to 20.00) and Cameley CEVC Primary School on March 18th (18.00 to 20.00).

The events are aimed at parents and carers who would like to know more about the dangers of knife crime or are concerned that their children are at risk. They aim to increase awareness of key issues surrounding knife crime, empowering you and your children to make informed and positive decisions to stay safe.

You will have the opportunity to hear from guest speakers with lived experience who have been personally affected by knife crime. There will also be a presentation by Street Doctors followed by a panel discussion with the opportunity to ask questions.

For queries, please email VRU_Events@bathnes.gov.uk
 Or book your ticket now on Eventbrite:

Writhlington School, 22nd February, 17.30 to 19.30
<https://KnifeCrimeAwareEventWrithlington.eventbrite.co.uk>

Hayesfield Girls School, 29th February, 18.00 to 20.00
<https://KnifeCrimeAwareHayesfield.eventbrite.co.uk>

Cameley Primary School, 18th March, 18.00 to 20.00
<https://KnifeCrimeAwarenessCameley.eventbrite.co.uk>

Bath & North Somerset VRP
<https://bcssp.bathnes.gov.uk/vru>

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Childcare
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 TFC Accepted

Easter Holiday Clubs

St Pauls Junior School
 Shepton Mallet

Tues 2nd - Fri 5th April
 9-3pm or extend to 4pm



St Johns Primary School
 Midsomer Norton

Tues 2nd - Weds 3rd April
 9-3pm



West Pennard Primary School
 West Pennard

Thurs 4th - Fri 5th April
 9-3pm



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