

St. John the Evangelist Church School

NEWSLETTER



Term 5.5 Thursday 17th May 2018



BATH & WELLS
Multi Academy Trust

'That they may have life, life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week, with lots of visitors to school, and lots for the children and staff to get through. A special well done to the Year 6 children for their excellent approach to the end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests that took place this week. The staff have worked really hard to make this experience as stress free as possible for the children and I have been extremely impressed with the children's resilience, positivity and hard work. Well done Year 6! Thank you also to the many staff who have worked alongside the children in preparing them for the tests and in supporting them this week. A big thank you also to Mrs Richards for her wonderful cup cakes, given to children today to mark the end of the SATs tests. SATs outcomes will be shared with Year 6 parents in July 2018.

On Tuesday, we welcomed an OFSTED inspector to school, as part of the North Somerset Local Area Inspection for Special Needs. St John's had been chosen, along with numerous other schools and child care settings, for the inspector to see examples of how we use and interact with the external services provided by the authority. Thank you to those parents who were involved in the inspection and attended school yesterday to meet with the inspector. The visit did not judge us individually as a school, and so there is no formal feedback to share, although I am pleased to say that the inspector told me he was very impressed as he left the school.

Today I welcomed Deborah Eveleigh, our regional Director of Learning and Achievement from the BWMAT, along with two other regional directors from the Somerset and South Somerset Hubs. They all commented on how good the school was looking and the lovely welcome given to them by the children and staff.

Lots for us to be proud of this week!

We have some exciting events coming up in the very near future...

National Walk to School Week

This runs from Monday 21st May to Friday 25th May 2018.

We are promoting this national event because:-

- Walking to school improves social development
- Walking to school has positive effects on mood, reducing feelings of anger and anxiety
- Walking to school improves fitness and reduces obesity
- Walking to school makes children alert and ready for the day
- Walking to school reduces congestion on the roads and the number of cars parking close to school.

At St. John's, we are encouraging everyone to take part. Each morning in school each class will complete a tally chart and this information is forwarded to North Somerset Council. Children who have completed part of their journey on foot for at least 3 days will receive a special sticker on Friday.

Sports Day

Weather permitting you are invited to come and cheer your children on at our Sports Morning, **starting at 09:30 on Wednesday 23rd May 2018.**

Pupils should wear their uniform to school in the morning, bringing their PE kit with them if this is not already in school, and if possible a Team Colour t-shirt – Cavell (red), Wilson (blue), Butland (green), and Park (yellow).

On the day, please:

- Ensure your children come into school with:
 - A sun hat to wear
 - A water bottle containing fresh water
- Apply sun protection cream to your child if necessary, before the start of school
- Bring chair/blanket if you want to sit down to watch

Pupils will have their water bottles with them so you will not need to provide drinks for them during the event. Staff will ensure they are supervised and accompanied to the toilet if needed.

Members of the Friends of St John's will be selling refreshments to visitors throughout the morning, although they would welcome some further help if you are able. Please leave a note in the Friends post box if you are able to assist. This year we thought it would be good idea to think about the environment and lessen our waste. If you can, we would love you to bring your own mug for tea and coffee that you can purchase at a reduced rate.

The format for Sports Morning will be the same as in previous years with all pupils participating at all times in a round robin of sporting activities within their class groups. There will be a designated 'Parent Zone' for spectators, to allow you to view the different activities.

Please wait outside the side entrance to the big playground until everything is set up and we are ready to admit spectators.

Last year, we received a number of complaints from our neighbours regarding some inconsiderate parking. In the spirit of walk to school week, and in honour of sports day, we would encourage you to walk to this event if possible. Please can you ensure that, if you do need to drive, you park well away from the school entrance, do not double park and do not obstruct driveways and access to properties.

Should the weather be bad, we will need to postpone Sports Day. We will make a decision about this on the morning and you will be notified by email using ParentPay. We will try again on the morning of Friday 25th May 2018. If poor weather continues, unfortunately there will be no further opportunity to hold this event, so fingers crossed for a great morning.



Summer Fair – Friday 15th June 2018 at 5pm

Our summer fair is now fast approaching and we would love your help! The summer fair is one of the school's biggest fundraisers and our goal this year is to raise money to go towards purchasing large play equipment for the EYFS outdoor area.

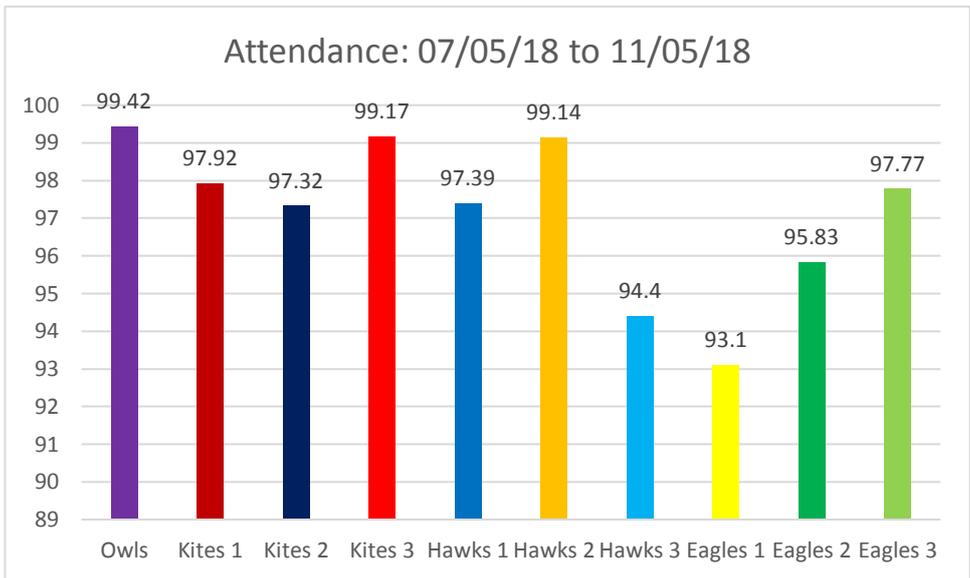
Our theme for the fair will be a celebration of different nationalities and cultures but we cannot do this without your help! We would love to celebrate different types of music, dance, sport, dress, food and drink. Are you someone who, or do you know anyone that:

- ✚ Plays in a band, sings or dances?
- ✚ Do you have a national dish, or favourite dish from another culture, that you would like to make and share?
- ✚ Do you have any games that you would like see included?

If so please contact one of the Friends, you can flag them down in the playground, pop a note in the Friends yellow box in the atrium or come along to our next meeting. We really cannot do this without lots of help and ideas, no matter how small. We look forward to hearing from you.

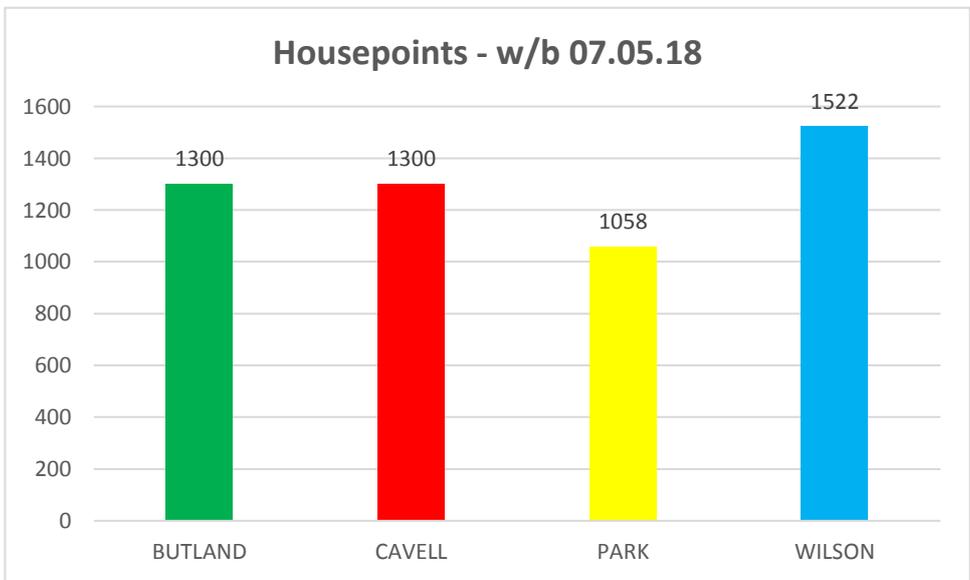
Term 6 Bookings

Booking forms for ASCC and Breakfast Club are now available on the school website and the office hatch, to help with staff and catering please return forms to the school office by the end of this term.



Whole school attendance for last week was an impressive **97.26%**. Well done everyone.

Well done especially to **Owls, Kites 3** and **Hawks 2** for achieving over 99%.



Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful week ahead,

Ian Doswell

Head teacher

Super Learning!

Owls spent the day investigating and exploring number and thought of ways to make the date in all sorts of ways. They found many different ways and then recorded this explaining to others their best thinking.



Dinosaur Day

Following their hard work and excellent approach to the Key Stage 1 SATs last week, pupils from Year 2, joined by Y1 and Reception, spent a day with dinosaurs, a project chosen by pupils and designed with staff.



It was an amazing day. Pupils were absorbed by and fascinated to learn how to excavate dinosaur bones. They became paleontologists, discovered amazing facts about prehistoric times and, having met a 'real' one, explored what it was like to be a dinosaur.

Please be reminded that general safeguarding information can be found on our school website under the policies section. The Child protection officer for the Primary school is Mr Ian Doswell, or Mrs Nicola Short in his absence. If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of any child in our community please do not hesitate to contact them.

Community News

(Although these events are not endorsed by the school, they are shared with you for your information).

RMC Sports Football & Sports Fun Days - Sports Zone Camp

📍 Strode Leisure Centre, Clevedon
29th, 30th, 31st May & 1st June

📍 Court De Wyck School, Claverham
29th & 31st May

Football Camp

📍 Strode Leisure Centre
29th, 30th, 31st May & 1st June

📍 Worle Rec Ground, Weston Super Mare
Wednesday 30th May

All 9.00-3.00

£12 per day (Sibling Discount £22)

Girls & Boys aged 5-11 years old

Please bring packed lunch and plenty to drink (non fizzy) & Prepare for any weather

To book go to www.rmcsports.co.uk

Or for more information contact info@rmcsports.co.uk or call 07725632214



The Fridge poster features a blue border and a black horizontal line. Several sticky notes are pinned to the line. A starburst note in the top right corner says '£1 Entrance'. A note on the left says 'KS2 - School years 3-6 drop off 5:30 pick up 6:45'. A note in the middle says 'School years 7+ 7:00 - 8:30'. A note on the right says 'Invite your friends!'. A red starburst note in the bottom left corner says 'Tuck Shop'. A note in the bottom right corner says 'Venue: Christchurch, Chapel Hill, Clevedon'. The main title 'The Fridge' is in large, colorful letters. Below it, the text reads 'A cool and fun place to hang out!' and lists activities: 'Snooker, table footie, table tennis, wii, nail art, crafts, xbox, prayer space, music, games, chill out zone, fun, themed games and so much more!'. At the bottom, the dates are listed: 'Dates 17/18: 17th Sept, 15th Oct, 19th Nov, 21st Jan, 18th Feb, 18th March, 15th April, 20th May, 10th Jun & 15th July'.