



Hotwells Primary School

Learning to bring out the best in everyone

Issue 11 – 22nd November 2013 - Term 2

SHOW YOU CARE – PARK ELSEWHERE

Parent Consultation Evenings

Thank you everyone who attended the parent consultation evenings. It was good to see so many of you. The staff really appreciate the opportunity to discuss and share targets for progression. If you were unable to make an appointment, please see Martine in the school office to arrange an alternative date.



Children in Need

Well done everyone, you raised an amazing £260!

ACHIEVEMENT BOARD

Congratulations to Frankie and Fergus, Isabella and Grace in Year 4 who took part in a spelling competition this week. You were in two teams of 2 and did exceptionally well: one team came 1st and the other 4th (out of 30 teams!) Just as importantly represented our school brilliantly!

Sports Update

Tuesday 26 th November 3.45pm	Y5/6 Football match v Compass Point
Thursday 28 th November 6.45-8.30pm	KS2 Primary School swimming gala, Easton Leisure Centre

Sponsored Shuffle for The Philippines.

Congratulations to all the children (and staff!) for their fantastic Sponsored Shuffle today. Shuffling for 5 minutes is quite exhausting... but we all managed it! Please remember to bring in your sponsor forms and money by Monday.

Christmas Trees

Christmas trees will be on sale again at the Christ Fair! Pre-order forms will be sent home in book bags during the first week in December. Please look out for them and please buy your tree from the school!

We need a PTA chair! We are still looking for someone to take on the role of PTA chair this year. Please think about if you could take on this role. It is not as daunting as it might sound! It is very much a co-ordination role and there are lots of people who will help and support.

PTA meeting on Thursday at 8PM! Please do come along if you can – we will be sharing ideas and planning fundraising and social events for the coming year .



Hotwells Christmas Fair

Only 3 weeks until the Christmas fair on Sunday December 15th!

Thank you to those of you who have already sorted out items and donated them. We're still looking for: teddies, small items for the lucky dip, DVDs, console games, 2nd hand toys, books and presents for grown-ups (including things for Dads!). Boxes for donations are outside the staffroom.

We are still looking for help with a few jobs and there are some items we would love to borrow. If anyone would be willing to help with making some signs ie 'Food Hall'etc, or could help with setting up before the fair, please contact Krissie (Ollie Y1, Archie Nursery) kristinoldroyd@hotmail.co.uk 07790 589798 or Elana (Michaela Y1, Kieren Nursery) elana_kriel@hotmail.com . The things we are looking for are listed on the PTA notice board (outside Y6), particularly an amplifier, microphone and stand.

SING SING SING! Kate Howe (Amy Yr4 and Lila Reception) has offered to lead a parent/staff "Community Sing" at the **Christmas fair** with a few get togethers before the day to meet and sing together. No need for experience - the emphasis is on fun. Please email kate@katehowe.co.uk or contact Martine in the office if you are interested in joining in.

Please remember that Pokemon cards and other trading cards are not allowed in school – as these can lead to disagreements between children. Thank You.



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CLUBS & MUSIC

Monday	Piano 1.00-3.30 Fiona Prescott KS2 Football 3.45 – 4.45 Spanish club KS1 3.45-4.45
Tuesday	Guitar 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00 Julia Daynes Art Club 3.45-4.45 (KS2)
Wednesday	Judo Club 8.00-8.45am Flute/recorder 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00 Cello 1.00-3.00pm Yoga Stars 3.45 – 4.45 Years 4 – 6 KS1 Football 3.45 – 4.45
Thursday	Violin 9.00-12.00 Cornet 9.30-10.30 Double bass – 2.00pm Yoga Stars 3.45 - 4.45 Years 1 – 3 Netball club 3.45-4.30pm Code club 3.45 – 4.45 (Y5/6)
Friday	Recorder 13.00-14.45 Piano 1.00-3.30 Fiona Prescott Cello 3.00-3.30 Tegan

Drumming Club

There are some parents and children who are keen for drumming club to restart. In order for this to happen we need at least 12 children to commit to attend the club for two terms starting in January. There is a charge of £36.00 which is payable in advance. Please see Martine in the Office if you are interested.

Primary School admissions September 2014

If your child was born between **September 1st 2009 and August 31, 2010** you must make an application for a primary **reception** school place.

You [can apply online](#) for a **reception** class until midnight January 15, 2014. Before making an application you should read the available information: the new [Primary Guide for Parents and Carers \(pdf, 4.0 MB\)\(opens new window\)](#) provides essential information on the different types of school and how to apply.

DATES FOR TERMS 2

Year 5 visit to Arnos Vale Cemetery	Weds 27 th November
Reception visit to Forest School	Weds 27 th November
PTA Meeting	Thurs 28 th November 8pm
Y3 Christmas Experience	Tuesday 3 rd December

at Christchurch	11am.
Individual School Photos	Wednesday 4 th December
Nursery Welcome Evening	Wednesday 4 th December 5.30pm
Christmas Fair	Sunday 15 th December 2-4pm
Yr 5 Christmas Concert, St Georges	Tuesday 10 th December
KS1 Xmas performance	Tuesday 17 th Dec 2.00pm
Christmas Lunch	Weds 18 th December
KS2 Carols	Weds 18 th Dec 2.30pm
Reception Nativity	Thurs 19 th Dec 2.30pm
End of Term 2	Friday 20 th December

INSET DAYS 2013/2014

Monday	6th Jan 2014
Monday	2 nd June 2014

DATES FOR CAKE SALES

Friday 22nd November	Hotspots
Friday 29th November	Year 1
Friday 6 th December	Year 2
Friday 13 th December	Year 3

OTHER MESSAGES

Lost Coat Regatta rainproof coat age 9/10 years, navy with fleece inner lining belonging to Ross Ward (it has his name in). If anyone finds it please return to the office, thanks.

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 23 November 2.00-5.00pm in St Mary Redcliffe Church. Fancy dress competition made from any re-cycled material eg old T-shirt, paper, cardboard, etc. Father Christmas, face painting, stalls, games & refreshments.

Flamenco Taster session

This will be a chance for you to try flamenco dance to see if you like it! A taster session will be led by Omega on Sunday 24th November at 3pm in the school hall.

Please wear shoes with sturdy heels and loose comfortable clothes. This session will cost £5 .Please call Omega 07881292719 to book a place.

A Creative Children's Class

This is a class designed to harness the natural creativity of children. The session will run for 45 minutes 5-7 yrs,60 minutes 7-9 yrs. It is a process led movement session led by a dance specialist. The course will run for a ten week period with a break of a week in the middle. The cost per session is £4 (45mins) and £5 (60mins) per head and will require prior booking for two blocks of 5 weeks. The maximum number in each group will be twelve children. If this interests you please contact Omega on 07881292919 or om5791@bristol.ac.uk.