



Hotwells Primary School

Learning to bring out the best in everyone

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As we come to the end of the second week of term the children all seem well and truly settled into school life. This week Reception children have begun staying for school lunches with enthusiasm and enjoyment!

Year One and Two children have enjoyed their own Key Stage assembly this week and the introduction of 'mini certificates' awarded for a wide range of actions; kindness to others, determination, fantastic work etcetera – it is great for them to share these achievements with their peers.

Thank you to everyone for your thoughtfulness and awareness of the challenging space and narrow corridor between our two playgrounds outside the Year 6 classroom. This area inevitably has the tendency to become a bottle-neck during busy times of day. We are raising the children's awareness of this and highlighting safe ways of moving around school.

Next week is the first of the PTA 'Tea and Cake Sales' after school at 3.30pm on the Green. This will be a lovely event; I look forward to saying hello to many families there.

Mrs. Delor

Our school PTA AGM is on Tuesday 23rd September in the Hall at 8pm

A big welcome back to all Hotwells parents and a special welcome to all new parents. If you would like to know about the PTA and the amazing events we organise throughout the year to strengthen our community and raise money for your children, please come along to the meeting, we would love to see you! Please see info sheet attached.

School Dinners –

The price of a hot school dinner is £2.25 PER DAY, £11.25 per week. It is quick and easy to pay online or you can pay by cheque (to Hotwells Primary School). Please put money in a named envelope and hand to your child's class teacher, **NOT THE SCHOOL OFFICE** on Mondays. If your child brings a packed lunch please remember that no nuts are allowed in school.

Photograph permission letter

Please return the reply slip to the school office if you **do not wish** photographs of your child to appear in parts of the school that are open to the public, or on the school website.

PE Kit

Please make sure children have their PE Kit in school every week. Our PE kit is: blue or black shorts or jogging bottoms, an aertex shirt, either white or in your child's house colour, and trainers.

Osmington Bay Residential camp for Year 6
20th – 24th October 2014

A reminder that all monies should be paid by 17th October

You can pay online or cheques should be made payable to 'Hotwells Primary School'.

There will be a meeting for parents of children going to school camp on **Tuesday 7th October at 3.45 in Year 6.**

ONLINE PAYMENTS

You can pay online for your child's lunches, music lessons, trips, camps and swimming. Online payments are our preferred method of payment for school activities and it's completely free of charge for you to use.

Please speak to someone in the school office if you require help setting up your account or any further information.

Further information and a link to the online payment site can also be found on our school website: www.hotwells.bristol.sch.uk

HOTWELLS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION GROUP (DIG) -

DIG is a group of parents and staff who strive to make sure that issues around diversity and equality (e.g. race, gender, disability, sexuality, home background) are thought about and that the school is proactive in challenging practices that may exclude some pupils, or that might make learning or getting along with everyone more difficult for them. We are also passionate about promoting good practice and about taking every opportunity to challenge discrimination or stereotyping at our school. If you are passionate about diversity and equality we would love you to join DIG. If you are interested please contact the school office or Laura (Louis Y3, Zac Y1): laura.humphreys@blueyonder.co.uk

CLUBS & MUSIC

Monday	KS2 Football 3.45 – 4.45 Piano
Tuesday	Judo Club 8.00-8.45am Guitar 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00
Wednesday	Flute/recorder 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00 Cello 1.00-3.00pm 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 – 6 Tag Rugby club Y3/4 5/6 3.30-4.30
Friday	Recorder 13.00-14.45

Clubs update:

Judo STARTs TUESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

Tag Rugby club starts on Thursday 18th September for Y3/4 and Y5/6, 3.30-4.30 for 5 weeks, cost £20.00



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PIANO LESSONS

Spaces still available in school - with Fiona Prescott some evening slots also available for piano at your home!

Free taster session to try out.

Please phone Fiona 07910034627 or the school office

DATES FOR TERMS 1 & 2	
Y6 visit to SS GT Britain	Tuesday 16 th Sept
DIG Meeting	Thursday 18 th September 9.00am
Y4 visit to Red Lodge	Thursday 18 th Sept
Yr 6 Parents camp meeting	Tuesday 7 th October 3.45
Yr 6 PGL Residential visit to Osmington Bay	20th-24th Oct inclusive
Term 1 ends	Friday 24th October
INSET DAY	Monday 3rd Nov School closed to pupils
Term 2 starts	Tuesday 4th Nov
Parents Consultation Evening	Tuesday 18th November 3.45-6.30pm
Parents Consultation Evening	Wednesday 19th November
INSET DAYS in Terms 2 and 3	
Monday	3rd Nov 2014
Monday	5th Jan 2015
Two more INSET days to be confirmed	

Free School Meals

If you receive income support or Job Seeker's Allowance (income based) or you receive Child Tax Credit but are NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit you may be entitled to free school meals. Even if your child doesn't have school meals it is important that you register as LA figures are based on these numbers and we can access funding to support with costs such as school clubs and camps as a result. Please ask in the office for a form for more information.

THE GREEN - HALF MARATHON UPDATE

The Hotwells Half Marathon Team of 20 parents, carers, staff and governors have been training hard over the summer ready for the Bristol Half Marathon on **Sunday 21st September**. We are raising money to improve the surface of the school Green so the children can access the space all year round for playtimes and PE. We are hoping to raise a significant sum of money and also raise awareness of our children's need for space to play and exercise.

Please support us either by cheering loudly on the day or making a donation to the school green fund - any donation, however small, will really help motivate us to

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reach the finishing line! Here is the link to our fundraising page: www.mydonate.bt.com/events/hotwellsgreen/185327 (You may get a security warning when you open up the link but please be assured the site IS safe!)

HOTWELLS FOOD GROUP

Hotwells Food Group invite you to our first meeting of the term on Monday 15th September, 8pm at Benita's house.

If you would like to get involved or just find out more about what we have planned for the year ahead, please give your details to Martine in reception or

Contact Benita (Imogen Class 1, Oscar Class 4) or Kate (Lila, Class 1, Amy Class 5) OR

email benitadehavilland@gmail.com

or kate@katehowe.co.uk

DATES FOR TEA AND CAKE SALES	
Friday 19 th September	Year 6
Friday 26 th September	Year 5
Friday 3 rd October	Year 4
Friday 10 th October	Year 3
Friday 17 th October	Year 2
Friday 24 th October	Year 1
Half Term	
Friday 7 th November	Reception
Friday 14 th November	Nursery

Sports Update	
Monday 29 th September	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Mon 6 th October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Monday 13 th October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Monday 20 th October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Thursday 16 th October	KS2 Cross Country trials

HOTSPOTS

To all after school users, Hotspots is still running the after school club. The committee have been working hard over the summer and this term to keep the club staffed for the short term with agency workers; and are in the process of hiring new permanent staff. We hope to have some news for you in the next week or so!

In the meantime, please continue to use the club; we are committed to keeping things running as smoothly as possible for you. Thank you for your continued support.

Luise Holder, Hotspots Chair.



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