



# Hotwells Primary School

Issue 4 – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2014 - Term 1

Firstly huge congratulations to our 'Hotwells Team' who completed the Bristol Half Marathon in wonderful style last Sunday. Thank you to everyone who cheered for them on the day and to all those who have donated to our 'Improving the Green' fund. We have raised over £3000 so far which is fantastic and you can still donate (see details below).

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September will see the start of our 'Wonderful World of Reading' Theme Week – classes will be enjoying different reading related activities. Keep an eye out for our 'Whole School Homework' - we will be asking children to find out what their family's favourite childhood stories are. See our separate letter to find out more.

I am pleased to say that Julie Savage is getting married next year which means she will be moving away from Bristol. She has a new job in Oxford and will be leaving Hotwells next week. We wish her every success in her new adventure.

Have a good weekend everyone!

Mrs. Delor

We had a great turn out for the PTA AGM on Tuesday evening. Due to a miscommunication and a lack of keys we ended up having it in the Adam and Eve, which proved a popular move....

The focus of the PTA meetings this year will be to generate ideas, gain feedback and share thoughts. We will not be allocating jobs!!

There was a lot of discussion and we look forward to some new and exciting events as well as some more familiar ones. The most pressing is the **Art Trail Café** which will be taking place in school next Saturday. The school is open for visitors to view the children's art work as part of the trail and to take a break with a coffee and piece of cake. It's a lovely event and great to see the children's art work on display. If you are able to help serve tea and coffee for an hour or two please get in touch with your class rep and let them know so they can add you to the rota. If you are able to make a cake to serve at the café please either leave it in the staff room on Friday evening (clearly labelled) or drop it into school on Saturday morning. We always get amazing feedback on the cakes! The **Toy Sale** will be taking place soon. If you want to make some room for Christmas by selling some toys please get in touch with Luise Holder or Kirsty Barnes to get a seller number. We'd love to have a **bar manager** to help keep an eye on stock of drinks and snacks – let us know if you think it could be you. Don't forget there will be **FREE coffee and tea** on the Green alongside the cake sale until half term (weather permitting). Parents remain responsible for their own children.

## PTA COMMITTEE

Joint Chairs	Alice Bond & Mary Barnes
Treasurers	Tania Lake & Liz Vickery
Secretar	Anna Byas
Fundraising	Mick Barnes

**Class Reps** are a vital link between staff and parents and so many events would be harder to organise without their support and of course the continued support of all our parents. Here are the class reps for this year:

## CLASS REPS

Nursery A	TBC
Nursery B	TBC
Reception	Michaela Norris
Class 1	Jess Errington
Class 2	Amira Negm & Javotte Flatman
Class 3	Katcha Bilek & Fiona Matthews
Class 4	Benita DeHavilland & Sarah Walker
Class 5	Kate & Rupert Howe
Class 6	Tania Lake & Paula Parker

**Data Collection Sheets** - please return to the School Office as soon as possible, thanks.

## ACHIEVEMENT BOARD

### Bristol Half Marathon

A team of 20 parents, carers, staff and governors completed the Bristol Half Marathon last Sunday - a huge thank you to everyone who cheered and supported the runners on the day - it really helped and nearly half the team achieved a PB! 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. Our total raised so far is over **£3000** with gift aid! A really big thank you to everyone who has donated already. We have a fundraising target of **£5000** for this event that will go towards a total project cost for the green which is in the region of **£50.000**. It's not too late to make a donation to the school green fund. [www.mydonate.bt.com/events/hotwellsgreen/185327](http://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!). If you would prefer to donate by cash or cheque please pass this to your class reps - cheques made payable to Hotwells PTA.

**Hotwells Sports Kit:** Are you or do you know anyone who can provide sponsorship or funding for new Hotwells Team sports kit? Having a whole team kit really makes the children feel proud to represent their school as well as giving them a team identity. If you can help please come to the office, or speak to Matt Leach (Nursery teacher)



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**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.

## Osmington Bay Residential Camp for Year 6 20th – 24<sup>th</sup> October 2014

**A reminder that all monies should be paid by 17<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> October at 3.45 in Year 6.**

CLUBS & MUSIC	
<b>Monday</b>	KS2 Football 3.45 – 4.45 Piano
<b>Tuesday</b>	Judo Club 8.00-8.45am Guitar 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00
<b>Wednesday</b>	Flute/recorder 9.00-12.00 Piano 1.00-3.00 Cello 1.00-3.00pm KS1 Football 3.45 – 4.45
<b>Thursday</b>	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
<b>Friday</b>	Recorder 13.00-14.45

**Art Trail Canvas:** Don't forget to return your canvas by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October (with the £1 donation). The exhibition will take place in the school hall on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October between 11 – 3pm. From past experience we know what beautiful pieces of art our children can produce so we are looking forward to seeing your returned masterpieces!

## Bristol Bright Night Programme - Tonight:

Celebrating Bristol's place as a home for cutting-edge research. Free activities across the city. @Bristol opens its doors to adults to come and play! For more info go to:

<http://www.bnhc.org.uk/festival-of-nature/bristol-bright-night-overview/>

DATES FOR TERMS 1 & 2	
Fridays until half term	Free tea and coffee alongside the cake sales
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October 3.45	Yr 6 Parents camp meeting
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 11-3pm	Art Trail in the school hall
Monday – Friday 20th-24th October	Yr 6 PGL Residential visit to Osmington Bay
Friday 24th October	Term 1 ends
<b>Monday 3rd November - INSET DAY</b> School closed to pupils	
Tuesday 4th November	Term 2 starts
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Meeting
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	PTA Meeting
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	PTA Toy Sale
Tuesday 18th November 3.45-6.30pm	Parents Consultation Evening
Wednesday 19th November	Parents Consultation Evening
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	PTA Tapas & Music Night
INSET DAYS in Terms 2 and 3	
Monday	3rd Nov 2014
Monday	5th Jan 2015
Two more INSET days to be confirmed	

DATES FOR TEA AND CAKE SALES	
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Year 4
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 2
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 1
Half Term	
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Reception
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Nursery

Sports Update	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Tag Rugby league Y5/6
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	KS2 Cross Country trials
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Swimming Gala
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5/Y6 Sportshall Athletics
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3/Y4 Sportshall Athletics

**Piano Lessons:** There are a couple of spaces available for piano lessons with Nancy Taylor (Hatty Y6) at her home in Clifton. For more information please contact Nancy on: 07974 310636