



Hotwells Primary School

Issue 12 – 28th November 2014 - Term 2

Dear Parents/Carers

A huge thank you to the PTA for organising such a fantastic event on Saturday night. It was wonderful to see so many parents and friends enjoying good food and music together.

As we approach December, school life becomes more and more busy. Please make a note of the dates of all of our events so that you don't miss out.

Well done to those of you who have already brought in gifts for the shoe box appeal. Many of you will want to work on this over the weekend – the collection date is Friday 5th December. Let's see if we can complete our challenge of lining the entrance corridor with gifts.

Congratulations to Year 5 and Year 6 who took part in the Ashton Park Sports Festival on Thursday they did brilliantly and were excellent ambassadors for our school.

Mrs Lambert

Christmas Concert for Year 5 and 6, St Georges
Years 5 & 6 will be going to St George's on Tuesday, don't forget to get your tickets from St George's box office £4 adults/ £2 concessions plus £1 booking fee per transaction.

Contact details for St George's - 0845 4024001
www.stgeorgesbristol.co.uk

Christmas Lunch, Wednesday 17th December

If your child does not normally have a lunch, why not get festive and try a delicious Christmas meal? It costs the same as a normal lunch: just £2.25. If you would like to order one please see Estelle. If you would like to order a Halal meal, please let us know as soon as possible, thanks.

ACHIEVEMENT BOARD

Congratulations our Year 5/6 Athletics team who came 3rd and got a Bronze Medal at the Sportshall Indoor Athletics event at Ashton Park School; you all ran and jumped your hearts out! Well done to you all.

PTA Christmas Cracker Event –

Friday 12 December, 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Please join the PTA for winter festivities at our Christmas Cracker Event: Christmas trees for sale Santa's grotto, mince pies and warming drinks, treasure hunt, live music, carols and so much more. Ho ho hope to see you there!

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
Friday	Recorder 13.00-14.45

Clubs update:

Culture club returned this week, with a really interesting talk about life in Argentina from Roxanne (Mathias in Year 2). Next week Fiona Prescott, (Satch Y4 and Matilda Y2), will be telling us all about life in Australia. All children from Reception to Year 6 are welcome.

ACHIEVEMENT BOARD

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the KS2 swimming gala at Easton Leisure Centre, you all did really well and had great fun!

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to those who have already brought in some beautifully decorated shoe boxes for our Christmas Present Appeal; don't forget to bring them in before Friday 5th December!

Primary School admissions September 2014



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If your child was born between **September 1st 2010 and August 31, 2011** you must make an application for a primary **reception** school place. You [can apply online](#) for a **reception** class until midnight January 15, 2015. 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.

School Photographs

Proofs from the individual/sibling photos have been given out to children. The deadline for returning them to the office is Friday 5th December

DATES FOR TERM 2	
Tuesday 2 nd December	Christmas concert @ St Georges for Y5 and Y6
Friday 28 th November	Y6 visit to Gloucester Folk Museum
Wednesday 3 rd December	Nursery Welcome evening 5pm
Tuesday 9 th December	KS2 Christmas carols to parents 2.30
Friday 12 th December	Reception Nativity to parents 2.30pm
Friday 12 th December	Christmas Cracker Grotto from 3.15 onwards
Tuesday 16 th December	KS1 performance to parents 2.30pm
Wednesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17 th December	KS1 evening performance to parents 6.00pm
Friday 19 th December	End of Term 2
INSET DAYS in Term 3 School closed to pupils	
Monday	5th Jan 2015
Tuesday	6 th Jan 2015

PTA NEWS

We had a fantastic night on Saturday at the **Tapas and Music Night**. We hope you did too! Huge thanks to everybody who made it happen but particularly the brilliant Jenny Chandler, Pete Bassett, Kate Dimbleby, Fiona Prescott, Ana Byas and Benita and James de Havilland. We raised an

amazing £950. Jenny's books and Kate's CDs are still for sale in the office if you couldn't make it but would like a taste of their brilliance!

Raffle Tickets are on sale until the Christmas Cracker on 12th December. We have some great prizes on offer such as a meal and swim at the Lido, dinner at the Albion, a meal at the Lockside and much more – Look out for Year 6 children, class reps and various PTA people selling them after school over the next couple of weeks. Tickets are £2 each or 3 for £5.

Christmas Trees - Pre-order forms for Christmas Trees were in book bags this week. If you would like to order a Christmas Tree from the PTA please complete the form and return to the office by next Wednesday. All profits will go towards resurfacing of the Green. If you didn't get a form or have any tree queries please email Liz Vickery – elizabethfildes@yahoo.co.uk

Thank you! Liz

DATES FOR TEA AND CAKE SALES	
Friday 5 th December	Year 6
Friday 12 th December	Christmas cracker event
Friday 19 th December	Year 5
Sports Update	
Thursday 11 th December	Y3/Y4 Sportshall Athletics

LOST PROPERTY

There is STILL a huge amount of lost property waiting to be claimed, please come and have a look to see if any of it is yours!

Christmas at the Orangery

Christmas at the Orangery is being held at Bradbury Hall, 117 Waterford Road, Henleaze, on Saturday 13th December, 10.00am-5.00pm. 30 designers selling unique Christmas gifts. For more info visit www.christmasattheorangery.com