

Hotwells Primary School

Issue 4 – 6th November 2015 - Term 2

This weekend, remember the Firework Code.

Hello Everyone,

Now that the clocks have turned back and Autumn has truly descended upon us I hope everyone is enjoying the onset of this time of year. In school the children have been busy with projects and learning ranging from adding multiples of ten plus one in Year 3 to writing descriptive in the style of Charles Dickens in Year 6.

Parents Consultation Evenings are taking place on the Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th of November – please can all slips be returned by Monday to ensure that we are able to offer families a time convenient to all.

Year Six pupils have been selling both red and white poppies in the playground this week (and next) to mark Remembrance Day. White poppies were first made in 1933 by the Peace Pledge Union, a group of women who wanted to stress the importance of settling conflicts without violence and with a commitment to peace.

'Children in Need' Day is coming up soon on Friday 13th November. On this day we will be holding a special cake sale after school. Please could everyone who wants to 'Bake A Cake for Children in Need' and bring it in on Friday 13th!

Schools across the country will be highlighting Anti bullying Week in a fortnight: from 16th - 20th November. On Friday 20th we will be holding a 'Dress in Blue' day to highlight this important issue. We encourage everyone to come in wearing BLUE on Friday 20th and to please bring a donation (£1 suggested) which will go to an anti-bullying charity of the children's choice.

Our School Garden is ten years old! Following the children's competition in the Summer which asked for ideas and ways to revamp our Garden, there are many exciting changes taking place!

Some of our families with older children who attended Hotwells may remember that when the Garden was opened in 2005, Prince Charles came to visit and planted a cherry tree. At the end of this month on Tuesday 24th November we will be welcoming the Duke of Gloucester to our Garden to see all the changes that have taken place in the last ten years and to plant a new tree for the future! The children learned in assembly today about the history of the school garden and they will all have a chance to play a part in the next steps of our Garden adventure!

To continue the theme of trees and nature, over half term we ran a competition to name our school houses (currently known as red, blue, yellow and green). Imogen Bassett in Year 4 is the winner of our competition and the Houses are to become Rowan, Bay, Yew and Ginkgo. Imogen wrote a striking piece about why she had chosen these names; Rowan for Protection, Bay for being a good influence, Yew for standing strong and Ginkgo for adaptability.

The Year 6 House captains for this year are Daisy and Fiontan for Rowan, Hatty and Malachy for Bay, Jaime and Albi for Yew and Grace and Torin for Ginkgo.

A reminder that our third Inset day of the year is on Friday 27th November, in two weeks time.

Meanwhile, have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Delor

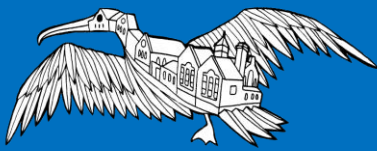
Letters out this week:

- Parent Evening Letters
- Snow White Panto Visit Y1/2
- Wind in the Willows Y3/4
- Arnos Vale Visit Y5
- KS2 Choir Club Global Club Y5/6

Sports letters:

- Indoor Athletics Y5/6
- Swimming Gala Y4/5/6
- Dodgeball Festival Y5/6

'Peace is the only battle worth waging' – Albert Camus



Hotwells Primary School

Issue 4 – 6th November 2015 - Term 2

This weekend, remember the Firework Code.

Primary School Admissions September 2016

If your child was born between **September 1st 2011 and August 31, 2012** you must make an application for a primary **reception** school place.

You [can apply online](#) for a **reception** class until midnight January 15, 2016. 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.

We welcome Dan, Dilorom, Phoebe and Alfonso who have joined us to work as part of the lunchtime team at Hotwells. We hope you are very happy here at Hotwells!

Individual School Photos

Individual/sibling photos will be taken next Wednesday 11th November

Warm/rain Coats

As the weather is getting colder/wetter, please provide your child with a rain coat and jumper as they do go out in all weathers!



BE A HERO FOR CHILDREN IN NEED

Whip up something tasty for friends and family. If you're not much of a baker, pop to the shops, buy some treats and do your bit. It's the cakes that count!

Bring in your cakes next Friday (please mark them as Children in Need cakes), you can leave them in the staffroom, all proceeds from the sale will go to Children in Need! (Please remember no nuts policy applies).

Christmas Trees

Please look out for Christmas tree pre order forms in book bags next week!

| Dates for Cake Sales | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Friday 6 th November | Year 6 |
| Friday 13 th November | Children in Need Bake a Cake sale |
| Friday 20 th November | Reception |
| Thursday 26 th November | ELASC |
| INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS | |
| Friday 4 th December | Christmas Cracker |
| Friday 11 th December | Nursery |

The Toy Sale is fast approaching, Sunday 15th November

Please donate a decent second hand toy to the Toy Sale this November. Please leave all donations in the collection boxes in the hallway before next Friday.

All donated toys go a long way to creating income for the PTA.

The PTA will be running a cafe that day too, so all cake donations are greatly received, (please note no nuts policy applies to weekends too).

Please mark cakes for Sunday 15th Toy Sale and leave in staff room on Friday 13th.

Many thanks PTA

Musical Theatre & Performing Arts or Multi-Sports (dodge ball, cricket, rugby, football, hockey, etc.)

Xmas Fun Day @ Hotwells Primary School

For children aged between 5 and 11 years. Running from 9am until 3pm on Wednesday 23rd December. £25.00 for the day or £20.00 for siblings.

Day will be run by Mr Theo Gordon (runs the lunchtime sports) and Miss Sophie Ball (runs the morning activities). Please either ask at reception for a booking form, visit www.psfweebly.com or call us on 0117-9619999 to book your child's space or for further information.

'Peace is the only battle worth waging' – Albert Camus



Hotwells Primary School

Issue 4 – 6th November 2015 - Term 2

This weekend, remember the Firework Code.

CLUBS & MUSIC

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Monday | Dance Y1-4 8.00-8.45am Piano 9.00-3.30 KS2 Football 3.45 – 4.45 KS1 Outdoors Club 3.30-4.30 Netball Club Y4/5/6 3.34-4.45 |
| Tuesday | Judo Club 8.00-8.45am Guitar 9.00-12.00 Piano 12.00-3.30 KS2 Tag Rugby Club 3.30-4.30 |
| Wednesday | Flute/recorder 10.00-11.45am Cornet 12.00-12.20 Cello 1.00-3.30 KS2 Choir Club 3.00-3.30 KS1 Football 3.45 – 4.45 |
| Thursday | Musical Theatre Club 8.00-8.45am Violin 9.00-11.30 Ukelele Club 12.00-12.30 Double bass – 2.00-3.00pm KS1 Dodgeball 3.30-4.30 Harmonica Club, 3.40 – 4.10 |
| Friday | Fencing Club Y5/6 8.00-8.45am Piano 13.00-13.30pm Cello 12.45-3.30pm KS2 Outdoors Project 3.30-4.30 KS2 Global Club 3.40-4.30 |

Clubs Update

Unfortunately YogaStars will not be continuing this term as there was not sufficient take up, they are hoping to restart in January.

Brand new KS2 Choir Club is starting on Wednesday afternoons, 3.00-3.30pm

'Peace is the only battle worth waging' – Albert Camus