

# Hotwells Primary School

Issue 5 – 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015 - Term 2

Hello Everyone,

## **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK**

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week across the country and today the whole school has dressed in blue to highlight this issue. Our assembly today included a quiz from Year 6 on 'What bullying really is' and a wonderful poster from Class Three all about Bullying. The School Council have chosen 'Childline' as the charity that we will be sending our donations to.

## **GARDEN FOR LIFE**

As you will know, 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. Next week, on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November, we will be welcoming His Royal Highness 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!

## **STAFF NEWS**

Miss Hooper would like to share the exciting news that she is expecting a baby in the spring and is planning to take maternity leave from Term 4 (mid-February). We wish her all the best in this new adventure and will of course keep Reception families informed about their children's class teacher as the time draws nearer.

Some of you may be aware that Mrs Kerry Smith has been absent from school during this academic year. Mrs Smith has been part of Hotwells Primary School for ten years has played a big part in many classes and children's education during this time as well as taking a key role in the running of University Club and leading our focus on more and most able learners and International Links. Mrs Smith has decided the time is right to take retirement from education and concentrate on her family and other varied interests. We wish her the very best in her next adventure. Miss Rushton will continue to teach Reception Class on Thursdays and Mrs Healey will continue to teach Class One, in her teacher capacity, on Monday afternoons.

A reminder that our third Inset day of the year is next Friday, the 27<sup>th</sup> November. School will not be open to children on this day.

The Annual General Meeting of our School Academy will take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Members of the school community interested in attending need to apply to the Clerk to the Governors by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

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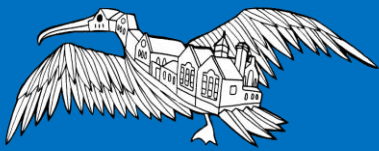
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## Reception Nativity

The Reception Nativity will be performed to parents on Friday 11th December at 2.45pm.

## 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.

## Individual School Photos

Individual/sibling proofs have been given out this week to the children. The deadline for returning them is Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

### ACHIEVEMENT BOARD

Congratulations to Isabella, Grace, Phoebe, Daisy and Fergus, Torin, Beau and Frankie from Year 6, who took part in a Maths Challenge at Clifton High School, you all did fantastically well and had great fun!

## The Toy Sale

We just wanted to say a really big thank you to everyone who sold toys and helped with the sale last weekend. It went really well, and we made approximately £240 for the school. We are so pleased!

Luise Holder (Trudi, Class 2)

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Congratulations to our Y5/6 Dodgeball team who played in a competition at Ashton Park School, you all showed great team spirit! Well done.



Well done everyone, you raised an amazing £135.00!

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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!

## Warm/rain coats

A reminder that 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!

### Dates for Cake Sales

Friday 20th November	Reception
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	ELASC
<b>INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</b>	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Cracker
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery

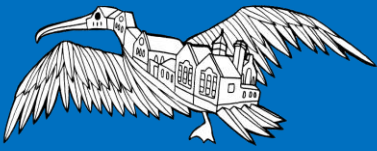
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