



Hotwells Primary School

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Dear Parents

This term is flying past and school is full of excitement and learning! This Wednesday Year 5 and Year 6 attended the St George's Carol Concert for Schools and sang absolutely beautifully. Well done to all those involved.

Congratulations to the children who have been to High Tea with me this term. Emilia and Ziggy in Class 1, Magnus and Nicholas in Class 2, Lena and Eliska in Class 3, Amior and Haren in Class 4, Alma and Oshi in Class 5 and Oscar and Emily in Class 6. These children have all shown themselves to be great examples of our school values – showing kindness, courage, responsibility, honesty, compassion and aspiration.

Last week school was closed for our third Inset Day of the year. We used this day to focus on inclusion and diversity at Hotwells and to develop exemplary practice in celebrating our dual language pupils and advanced bilingual learners. There are many families at Hotwells who celebrate two or more languages in their families and we enjoy celebrating the rich diversity of languages in our school as well as learning more about the best ways to value languages as children begin school. More of this to follow on our school website soon.

You may have noticed our beautiful new PTA 'totaliser tree' in the KS1 playground. This inspiring piece of art was created by parents Amy and Luise, to show the community what the PTA are currently fund raising for and how much money we are raising. This year each 'green leaf' is equal to £90 and 'leaves' are added as we raise funds for school. The signpost incorporated into the design gives information on the current fundraising project raising money for our school playgrounds. A little reminder; the children all know that the leaves need to stay on the tree. Please be mindful of any younger siblings so that they also do the same.

And finally, we are into the colder months now; please name all hats, coats and outer layers; it is so much easier and quicker to reunite lost clothing with the owner if we know whose it is!

With best wishes from Mrs Delor

We are now on 

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Attached to this newsletter is a summary of the festive events coming up over the next two week.

KS1 Christmas Performances

Tickets for the KS1 Christmas performances are available before and after school. There is no charge, but adults and children do need a ticket as we need to know numbers.

Achievement Board

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

Christmas Dinner, Wednesday 14th December
Please note that the menu for this week will be changed as follows:

Tuesday: Beef Pie or Pizza or jacket potato

Wednesday: Christmas dinner

Thursday: Chicken fillet or macaroni cheese or jacket potato

Cake Sales

Friday 9th December – Year 5
Friday 16th December – Year 4

Clubs News.....

Look out for letters for:

Fencing Club Years 5/6, Friday mornings, 8.00-8.45am
CAPOEIRA Club KS2, every Wednesday morning, 8.00-8.45am

French Club, Wednesdays after school, 3.30-4.30pm

Netball Club KS2, the day is changing to Wednesdays after school, 3.45-4.45pm – this club is for boys and girls from classes 3/4/5/6.

Individual School Photos

Individual/sibling photos will now take place on Monday 5th December

Scooters

Please collect all your scooters at the end of the day on Friday 16th December, thanks.

PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE A STAFF INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 3RD JANUARY, WHEN SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO PUPILS, SCHOOL REOPENS ON WEDNESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2017

Lost Property

There is a huge amount of lost property waiting to be claimed by its owners! Any that is left over will be taken to the charity shops.

PTA News: Carnival

We are delighted to announce that our Carnival Fundraiser raised over £1800 with the auction taking £1400 and the raffles £450. A HUGE thank you to the 30 or so parents who contributed in some way, and the 60 who came on the night! It was a lovely event and a great way to kick start this year's fundraising focus!

Christmas Cracker

Next Friday sees our annual Christmas Cracker event straight after school, your class reps will have been in touch about organising your class contribution, but we would like to ask for donations of the following:

- Glass Jam Jars (or similar) filled with sweets or small toys for a lucky dip
- Cakes and Mince pies
- Gifts suitable for children to wrap for their parents

Come along next week and enjoy the festive fun, see Santa, buy a school tea towel and some glow sticks, enjoy a warm drink, eat cake and wrap some gifts and raise money for our great school!

Ashton Park Sports Centre Holiday Activity Programme & Junior Netball

The Holiday Programme consists of a series of sporting activities run during the Christmas holidays for ages 4-16, these include hip hop dance, bushcraft, hi-ropes, archery. They are also running a brand new netball session aimed at girls only. It is aimed at teaching the basics of netball as well as progressing their current skills. More info is available from the school office.

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