



# Hotwells Primary School

Issue 4 – 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 - Term 1

Dear Parents,

At the end of the first term of the year we have much to celebrate and share!

**Nursery children** have now completed a full month at Hotwells and I hope that families and little ones are all enjoying the new pattern of the day. The children have settled well into their new routine and have been learning lots of nursery rhymes and songs.

**Welcome to the new families** and children who have joined us across the school; Flora and Jonas in Reception, Anthony in Class One and Stanley in Class Two. We hope you will very soon feel part of the Hotwells community.

Today D.I.G (our thriving diversity and inclusion group) and the P.T.A ran our first **New Families' Coffee Morning** – it was a lovely event and we plan to run more of these regularly during the year. Today's assembly celebrated **Divali** – thank you to Louis, Aidan, Tanisha, Dishita, Benj and Gunavardhan who acted out the story so well!

School was open as part of the **West Bristol Arts Trail** last Saturday and we enjoyed a wonderful influx of visitors to see the children's art work displayed in the School Hall. Our visitors book was full of compliments and includes families who return to see the exhibition year after year!

Last week saw the start of **'High Tea'** again. Every term children are nominated from each class for reasons which link with our school values; responsibility, kindness, courage, honesty, compassion and aspiration. Well done this term to Renna and Felipe, Rosa and Reuben in Class 2, Rufus and Sachin in Class 3, Isaac S and Isobel in Class 4, Leila and Isabel in Class 5 and Xinkai and Leah in Class 6.

**Year Six** have been away at Camp in Dorset this week and have a wonderful time! If you are a Y6 parent I expect you have enjoyed following their encounters on the class blog. Their team work, fun-loving spirit and exemplary behaviour have made the camp a wonderful experience for all.

Finally I would like to share the exciting news that **Ms. Attride** is expecting a baby in the Spring. We wish her all the very best when she embarks on this new adventure. I will share news of who will teach her class nearer to the time.

Best Wishes, Mrs Delor

## Letters out this week:

- Clay Club letter KS2
- Basketball Club KS2
- Netball Club

- Cricket Club
- In Door Athletics Y5/6
- PSF football/dance/musical theatre
- New Menus

**Please note all letters etc will be emailed unless you have requested otherwise.**

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## Secondary Transfer Applications Deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> October!

Admission leaflets have been given to Y6 pupils transferring to secondary schools in September 2018. The closing date for on-line applications is 31st October 2017. Paper applications postmarked after this date and time will be treated as late applications and a school place will NOT be allocated in the first round of offers.

## Primary School Admissions September 2018

If your child was born between **September 1st 2012 and August 31, 2013** you must make an application for a primary **reception** school place.

You [can apply online](#) for a **reception** class until midnight January 15, 2018. Before making an application you should read the available information: the new [Primary Guide for Parents and Carers \(pdf, 4.0 MB\)](#) provides essential information on the different types of school and how to apply.

### Library Volunteers Needed

We are looking for some parent volunteers who could spend an hour or two each week to help keep our library in order. This would mostly involve labelling and putting books away and generally tidying the shelves. If you could offer some time regularly please contact Mrs Moore, Year 1 teacher, via the school office.

### New Clubs!

We have some exciting new clubs for Term 2:

- Clay Club
- Basketball Club
- Cricket Club
- Netball Club

### PARENTS – WE NEED YOU! CAN YOU HELP?

- We are looking for a wood sculptor?!
- We need someone with accountancy experience who would like to be an accounting officer for the Governors. This is a voluntary position and only needs 3 days work per year.
- Do you own a company who can print leaflets for us without cost

If you or someone you know can help us please contact the school office.

### DATES FOR CAKE SALES TERM 2

Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 6
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Cracker
TERM 3	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 4
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 3
TERM 4	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 2
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Year 1
TERM 5	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception

Have a lovely half term and see you all  
on  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October!

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