



Horfield CEVC Primary School

Bishop Manor Road, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol, BS10 5BD



Newsletter No 1 Wednesday 5th September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to everyone and we hope you all had a lovely summer break. It has been great to see all the children back at school settling in so positively. The teachers and staff have all worked so hard to make sure the classrooms are set up for wonderful new learning experiences.



Dylan G

Light

We are excited about our new school metaphor for learning this year – light. Some of the children have already shared with us their amazing summer holiday homework challenges related to this theme.



Zoe O'C, Thomas G-C and Lila E

We are also very happy to have lots of wonderful new books related to 'Light'. Classes have already started making their new postcard designs linked to this theme.

Year Group Information Evening

On Wednesday 12th September between 7-8pm our class teachers will outline the class expectations, routines and curriculum content at our class information evenings. Please try to attend if you can.

School Council

Next week, we will be asking the children if they are interested in becoming a School Councillor this year and four children from each class will be chosen to stand in the election that will take place on September 20th.

Parenting Course - The Incredible Years

Kate Harfoush, Family Link Worker within school, is delighted that the positive parenting programme is full! For those who have booked it will be running on Mondays during term time at 9.30 – 11.30am from Sept 10th until Dec 17th (14 weeks). Kate will be running more courses in the future.

Mathletics

Please notify Mrs Burke if you achieved her 1000 points challenge during the holidays and she will present you with your wristband!

Mid-morning snacks and milk

Key Stage 2 may bring in a healthy snack/fruit bar to eat during morning playtime. Key Stage 1 children have fruit provided every day. If you wish your child to have milk please collect a form from outside the office which details the cost.

Mobile phones

Only Year 6 children may bring mobile phones to school, but must hand them in to the adult on the school gate in the morning.

Collecting Children at the end of the day

Please remember to inform us if you have made arrangements for your child to be picked up by someone other than their parents or carers. (For years Reception to Y3).

If this has not been done we may need to call you to confirm it is safe for us to let your child go with the other person.

Music Lessons

Most music lessons will be starting next week.

Summer Reading Challenge

Congratulations and well done to everyone that took part in the Summer Reading Challenge.

Clubs

There will be no Ukulele Club this Thursday.
KS2 Choir will begin on Tuesday 18th September. If you would like to join, please collect a permission slip from the office (from tomorrow) and return by 18th September.

We will be sending out a separate letter shortly outlining all the clubs happening this term.

Amazing Achievements!

Well done to Maddie H who achieved a Distinction in her Grade 1 singing exam.

Congratulations to all those who also took their music exams before the summer holidays!

Well done to Dante who gained his Level 2 – Learn to swim during the holidays.

Mr I Harvey, Deputy Head

Dates for your Diary

Diary Dates	
September	
Mon 10 th	Start of Term 1 for Reception Children Parenting Course Starts 9:30
Weds 12 th	Parent Information Evening 7 pm for Years 1-6
Thurs 20 th	School Council Election Day
Fri 21 st	Swimming Starts for all children in Years 2 and 5
Fri 28 th	School BBQ
October	
Mon 1 st	Y6 Lifeskills Trip 12-3:30
Thurs 4 th	Y2 Visit to Durdham Downs
Mon 8 th	Secondary School Choices Talk for Y6 Parents 3:15
Mon 15 th	Photo day
Thurs 25 th	Y2 Dance performance to parents 9am
Fri 26 th	End of Term 1 3:15
November	
Mon 5 th	Start of Term 2
w.b. Mon 12 th	Book Fair in School
Mon 12 th	Speech & Language Drop In 2:45pm
Tues 13 th and Weds 14 th	Parent Consultation Meetings
December	
Sat 1 st	School Fair
Fri 21 st	End of Term 2

Can you or your family help us?

We are always keen to hear from parents, carers, grandparents and other family and community members who can help us in different ways in classrooms and around the school. Examples might be talking to a class about your job, sharing knowledge about cultures, customs or languages. Maybe a member of your family can help children with their reading or spelling skills or play some Maths games? Perhaps you might like to support us with the library, gardening or walking with children to swimming on Friday afternoons? If you feel your family can help in any way please talk to a class teacher or contact the office for further details. We welcome help in all classes across the school.

Community News

Bristol City Council Consultation on St Peters EPH New Build Development as part of the Council's drive to increase the level of housing in the City, they are inviting you to an event regarding the development of St Peters EPH on Bishopthorpe Road in Horfield.

'We would like to invite you to an information event, a drop in session, so you can view the draft proposals for the site and provide the project team with your thoughts and comments.

Please find below details of the information event. You can attend at any time between these hours

Wednesday 19th September 2018, 3.30pm – 7.00pm at Horfield CofE Primary School, Bishop Manor Rd, Bristol BS10 5BD

At the information event you will be able to look at the basic design options and draft proposals for the site and provide us with your views and feedback. Following this event, we will use the information provided to further aid with the design of the site and we will provide residents with more details and designs with a second event later in the year.'

Cycle Sunday

Cycle Sunday will be back on Bristol's Downs on September 16th. This event gives you and your family a wonderful car free opportunity to cycle around the Downs between 10.00am and 2pm. For more information, please go to <http://www.cyclesunday.net/> or find our event on Facebook – "Cycle Sunday 2018."

*'Thy word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path
Psalms 119.105*