



Dear all,

Around the school this week: Key Stage 2 began music sessions delivered by expert guest teachers from the B&NES music service, which will continue throughout the year. We will celebrate song writing, singing (Y6), ukulele (Y5), recorder (Y4) and drumming (Y3). In coming terms, we will invite parents in to hear performances from the children- exciting stuff! Year 3 have also been growing plants, and Year 6 have been studying Macbeth. In the infants, Year 2 have painted the enchanted wood, Year 1 have made Gruffalo artwork and Reception class have settled in really well, and have stayed for lunches this week. Well done all!

- 1) **SAINSBURY's/PTFA QUIZ NIGHT** ~ Due to other school and PTFA events the Quiz night has been postponed ~ Watch this space for the re-scheduled details. Thank you.
- 2) **OPEN MORNING FOR RECEPTION 2019**~ Do you have or do you know a child due to start school in September 2019? Come along to our **OPEN MORNING on TUESDAY 16th OCTOBER** and see our amazing school in action. Please pass this information onto anyone who maybe interested. Thank you. (Below (Photo) are our current two trophy winners Kezia and Diego, holders for the 'Be kind, try hard and do your best' awards.



The poster features a green background with colorful autumn leaves and a tree illustration. It includes the school's name, the event title 'Open Morning', the date and time, and a list of school facilities. A photo of two children holding trophies is also present.

St Martin's Garden
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Open Morning

Tuesday 16th October 2018 | 9.00am to 12 noon
For Pupils due to start School in September 2019

A great opportunity to enjoy an insight into life at our school, see our improvements and experience our facilities including:

- 8 acres of fabulous Outside Play & Learning Spaces
- New ICT suite
- Our refurbished Swimming Pool
- Cookery Room
- Learning across the school

Talk by our Head Teacher followed by pupil led tour at 9am and 11am.
For further details please ring: 01225-832112

Individual tours available by request

- 3) **Home school agreement:** We will be issuing our updated Home School agreement at parents evening soon- if you have any suggestions as to what you would like included, please let us know. One key element for adults will be ensuring that all families on site are polite and respectful to children and adults- please help us to make sure we all follow our school motto: 'be kind, try hard, do your best!'
- 4) **PARENT VIEW:** School has **no parent views online for 2018-19** as the term has just begun- please do go on to this link and tell us about how you feel we are doing. As ever, if you have suggestions about how we can improve as a school, please do let us know.
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view-results/survey/result/141809/all>

- 5) **Absence in Term time** ~ Attendance in school really matters! Holidays in term time will **NOT** be authorised. Fixed penalty notices (to each parent) of up to £120 (Section 444A of the Education Act 1996) will be issued for any Families taking pupils out for unauthorised periods of absence. Thank you for your co-operation with this.
- 6) **Contact Details** ~ Have you changed your **Phone number, address or email** over the summer break? If yes, please let the School Office know. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Monday 1st October** ~ **Firework Safety Poster** Competition entries to be returned to school office.
- **Tuesday 2nd October** ~ School Photographer in to do Individual photos. Younger/older siblings (not at SMGPS) photo's from 8.00am in Keystage Two Hall.
- **31st October 2018** ~ **IMPORTANT: YEAR 6 PARENTS** ~ Closing date for Secondary applications for 2019/2020.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend from all the staff at St Martin's Garden Primary.

St Martin's Garden Primary School Term Dates 2018/2019

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| TERM 1 | |
| Start: | Monday 3 rd September 2018* |
| Finish: | Friday 26 th October 2018 |
| TERM 2 | |
| Start: | Monday 5 th November 2018 |
| Finish: | Friday 21 st December 2018 |
| TERM 3 | |
| Start: | Monday 7 th January 2019 |
| Finish: | Friday 15 th February 2019 |
| TERM 4 | |
| Start: | Monday 25 th February 2019 |
| Finish: | Friday 5 th April 2019 |
| TERM 5 | |
| Start: | Tuesday 23 rd April 2019 |
| Finish: | Friday 24 th May 2019 |
| TERM 6 | |
| Start: | Monday 3 rd June 2019 |
| Finish: | Tuesday 23 rd July 2019 |

INSET DAYS (Six days) Two more to be confirmed

* 3rd September 2018

* 4th September 2018

* 4th March 2019

* 28th June 2019

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An Invitation to our 2018 Open Events

Open Evening

Thursday 27 September
6-8.30pm

Presentations by Andy Greenhough, Headteacher and senior staff in the hall at 6.15 and 7.15pm

(live displays by students)

Interactive hands-on events

A chance to meet teachers in curriculum areas

Tours with student guides

Open Morning

Tuesday 2 October
9-10.30am

A chance to meet Andy Greenhough, Headteacher and senior staff, and to see the school in action on a normal school day while you have a tour with a student guide.

Admissions and transport information

We generally take 180 pupils into Year 7 each September and have recently raised this number following parental requests for more places. If you would like a place at Ralph Allen School for your child, please make sure you list us as your highest preference school on the B&NES common application form. If a student qualifies for more than one school they will be offered their highest preference as stated on their application form.

For admissions enquiries please contact Mrs H Baker on admissions@ralphallenschool.com or 01225 838907

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Ralph Allen School, Claverton Down Road, Bath BA2 7AD enquiries@ralphallenschool.com 01225 832936

The NAHT school funding meeting is organised by the NAHT and is open to **all parents of pupils in Bath Schools**. Please go along and have your say.




Parents' Meeting to highlight the impact of School Funding Cuts

Tuesday 2 October, 7pm-9pm
Ralph Allen School, Bath, BA2 7AD

Come and discuss school funding cuts with:

- > Wera Hobhouse - MP for Bath
- > Rob Kelsall - NAHT National Secretary (Organising & Campaigns)
- > Andrew Baisley - National Education Union
- > Local headteachers

This is a FREE event, open to all parents in Bath schools.

To register your place, please email organising@naht.org.uk





The Orchestra of Everything are a local orchestra, consisting mainly of parents from Widcombe schools and pre-schools, but also an increasing number of staff, secondary school students, and parents from Moorlands, St Philips, Hayesfield, Ralph Allen and other local schools. We started last year, are now up to 30 and are still growing. We play a wide range of film/TV themes (Pink Panther, Pirates of the Caribbean, Harry Potter, Bond themes), jazz (Nina Simone, Ella Fitzgerald, Etta James), pop/rock (Bowie, Led Zeppelin, Queen) alongside a smattering of classical, and mainly arrange the music ourselves, so we can tailor it to the individual members of the band. That means we have a mix of experienced musicians, beginners and lapsed musicians who haven't picked up their instrument for 10 years. We rehearse once a month in the Widcombe Junior school hall and gig every couple of months, and we're very chilled out - people turn up whenever they can, often with various children and other family members in tow.

Next month is our **Wrong Notes** rehearsal, on **Sat 13th October**, especially for those musicians who haven't played for so long they've forgotten how to play the Right Notes. So if you are, or once were, a musician - whatever instrument, whatever level, and however long it's been since you last played - please do get in contact at JonLGore@gmail.com, or via our website at www.orchestraofeverything.com. We hope to see you at a rehearsal soon! Thank you, Jon Gore, The Orchestra of Everything.