



Horfield CEVC Primary School

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FUTURES 2018 at 'We the Curious'

On the 28th of September, Year 6 went to We The Curious to meet research scientists from the universities of Bristol, Bath and West of England. Nathan said, "I really enjoyed learning about nuclear explosions and how a piece of metal can be really light. I also liked making helicopters from balloons and plastic propellers. When we let go of the balloons, the propellers spun around and they would go flying. We all had a really good time and experience."

Healthy Schools Award

This week, Julie Coultard, Bristol City Council's Public Health Principal (Children and Young People) came to our school to present to us three certificates for our outstanding dedication and commitment towards Personal, Social and Health Education in school. (Including Mental Health, Well-being and Health Protection.) We are very grateful to Miss Green (PSHE Subject Leader), who along with Mrs Jones and Miss Osborne have worked hard on a range of initiatives to help make this happen.

Energy Assembly

This week we were visited by 'Groundworks', an organisation working in schools to raise awareness of how we can save energy in our homes. They led an interesting assembly to the whole school on Monday where we learnt lots of fascinating facts about where we get our energy for our homes from. We learnt how we can be great energy savers, for example by using showers rather than baths, or turning our heating down by just 2 degrees!

Year 4 also had a workshop where we learnt more practical tips. We all wrote a pledge to make positive steps to reduce the energy we use.

Green Club had an energy workshop on Tuesday and played fun games to help members understand why it is so valuable to save energy.



Shoebox Appeal 2018 – Make Someone Happy

We hope you will help us support the Blythwood Shoebox Appeal again this year. If you would like to fill a shoebox or donate items for a shoebox (e.g. soap, hats, gloves, toothbrush, small toys) you can **deliver** your box or items to our school office. Leaflets are available outside the office. For more information please contact Carolyn Sims 07905145379 or e-mail simscarolyn@virginmedia.com.) The last date for the boxes to be delivered to the office is Monday November 5th. We look forward to seeing a mountain of boxes that we can send on and help to bring some happiness to someone this Christmas.

Changes to Music Lessons

There will not be any lessons with Ellie Whitfield tomorrow and there will not be any Guitar or Recorder lessons (with Kate) next Tuesday (9th Oct).

Year 6 Lifeskills Trip

On Monday, Year 6 went on an unforgettable trip to the Lifeskills Centre. It was an amazing experience! We learnt a lot about every day hazards and learnt new skills that will be useful in keeping us safe. Every single scene looked exactly like the real world - the sounds, furniture and everything else. We learnt many things; for example, first aid, hazards in houses and what to do in a fire. Here are some of our thoughts on the trip: Zuzanna: 'Out of all of our trips, this is definitely the best one ever!' Cordie: 'I will never forget this experience.' Ragshanaa: 'This trip was out of the world; some of the hazards were very realistic.' Hollie: 'We learnt how to phone the Emergency Services and we now know what to say if we need help.'

Ada Lovelace Day

During the week of 8th – 13th October the children at Horfield will be celebrating inspirational women in science, technology, maths and engineering, in the hope that by shining a light on such people and increasing their visibility, they can inspire current and future generations.

BBC Music Live - Years 4 and 5 choir will be taking part in BBC Music Live this Friday afternoon at the Colston Hall. Look out for them on the One Show.

Early Years Information

The Early Years Reception Information evening will be on Wednesday 10th October.

Black History Month

October is Black History Month. This year we will be focusing on black artists. Our younger children will be learning about the abstract patterns of Alma Thomas and children in Key Stage 2 will be studying works by Frank Bowling, Uzo Egona, Veronica Ryan and others. We hope to celebrate some wonderful art later this month in assembly.

Rugby

Clifton Rugby Club are running an after-school tag rugby club at Horfield School from TONIGHT, 3:15-4:30 for Years 1-6. There are just a couple of places left, please complete the form by the School Office.

Football Clubs

SHINE mini football club for Years 1 & 2 and junior football club for Years 3 & 4 run every Friday. Visit MyShine.co.uk to book a place.

School Dinners Price Increase

Please note that school dinners for KS2 children will rise to £2.10 from the 5th November.

No Slime in School!

We would like to remind parents/carers that children should not bring their pots of 'slime' into school.

Information for Y6 Parents

You will need to apply for a secondary school place by **31 October 2018**. Apply online at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Bristol City Council is hosting an **admissions information session** for Year 6 parents after school on 8th October at 3.15pm.

Please inform the office if you wish to take your child out of school to visit a secondary school.

Reception Admission – September 2019

Parents with children born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015 must make an application for Reception in September 2019 by midnight on 15th January 2019.

Mathletics

Just a reminder that Mathletics is a really good way of supporting your child at home with their Maths learning. This term everyone has been focusing on Place Value – Mathletics have a very good section on this. If you start with the Place Value assessment the program will then provide your children with suitable activities to help them develop their understanding of this.

Collective Worship theme next week is Learning.

Year 6 Students of the Week are Oliver N, Class 13, for excellent contribution to our Geography Topic and Jedd, Class 14, for brilliant commitment in Macbeth.

Bike Shed

Please ensure that all bikes and scooters are securely locked every day. 2 bikes went missing over the weekend.

Mr I Harvey, Deputy Head

Diary Dates	
October	
Thurs 4 th	Y2 Visit to Durdham Downs
Mon 8 th	Y6 Author Roadshow at UWE am Secondary School Choices Talk for Y6 Parents 3:15 Y5/6 Football League St Bede's
Tues 9 th	Cross Country Championships at St Bede's 4-5:30
Fri 12 th & Sat 13 th	Opera 'Home at Last' at St Mary Redcliffe 7pm (Choir)
Mon 15 th	Photo day Y3/4 Football Tournament
Thurs 18 th	Y5/6 Hockey Festival (Girls)
Tues 23 rd	Harvest Festival am
Thurs 25 th	Y2 Mexican Hat Dance 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
Fri 16 th	Children In Need
December	
Sat 1 st	School Fair
Weds 5 th	St George's Concert
Fri 7 th	Y3 at Bristol Cathedral
Fri 21 st	End of Term 2

SHINE Breakfast Club

SHINE now run the breakfast club and all bookings need to be made online at <https://myshine.co.uk/activity/breakfast-club-term-1-2018-1>

Premier Sport

Premier will be running holiday camps at school during November half term, to book a whole day or half day of fun for your child please visit www.premier-education.com or contact 07476032239. Thursday 1st November - Nerf in the morning / Football & Dodgeball in the afternoon. Friday 2nd November - Gymnastics in the morning / Fencing & Archery in the afternoon.



Mr Coombs Quiz Night

Friday 19th October. Win the coveted trophy. £2 per person. Doors open 7.30pm.

Cake sale

Congratulations to Year 1 and Year 2 for providing an amazing array of cakes for the sale last Friday. Year 1 just beat Year 2 by raising £142.70 to £121.20 but both were fantastic amounts. Well done to everyone involved, including the lucky people who bought and ate the cakes!

Community News

Zumba –Fantastic Be healthy and have fun – every Tues/Thurs in the hall at 6:30pm.

Junior Squash Coaching

Junior squash coaching sessions will be taking place every Wednesday afternoon at Horfield Leisure Centre. First session free. Email horfieldinfo@everyoneactive.com for more information or to book a place.

Left to their Own Devices

Our children are growing up with a world of online possibility at their fingertips. It's an exciting world for them to explore, but also has its pitfalls. Power up your parenting for the online generation with Katharine and Philip at St Michael's Centre, BS34 8PD on Thursday 18th October 2018, 6:30pm.

Lifeskills has places for the Bath Half Marathon 2019. Anyone who would be interested in running for them please contact Jo de Wolf johanna@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk or by calling 0117 922 4511. The entry fee is £35 and the fundraising target is £300. The event takes place on Sunday 17th March 2019. Lifeskills is a charity so every penny raised helps us to continue running the Year 6 programme that your pupils enjoy each year.

Scouts

209th Bristol Scout Group, based in Lockleaze, have spaces for new members. Please see flyer attached.