



# Horfield CEVC Primary School

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



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## Poem Challenge

Congratulations to the huge number of children who have written poems. They are all in for judging and we will announce the winners very soon.

This week's newsletter includes a number of **requests for your help** with a range of upcoming events. We hope you can find the time to support us with something!

**Science Summit** - Last term four of our Year 5 children took part in a Science summit. They voted, as part of 200 delegates, that they would like to create a project that would raise the profile of the problem of plastic, particularly plastic in the ocean. As a result the key teachers have created an **inter-schools competition** to engage children in science learning and also raise awareness of global issues.

All schools involved have been challenged to **make a 'sea bird' out of a drinks bottle**. This will be sent down a zip wire and will have a magnet suspended from it which will try and pick up magnetic fish (with paper clips on!) The winning birds will pick up the most fish (as opposed to harmful plastic.)

The children have viewed our efforts in assembly on Tuesday and now we are passing the challenge to them. We are going to run a **Science morning** where all children in the school will make a bird. The children will work in cross age groups (R, 1, 2) and (3, 4, 5, 6). This Science morning will take place on **Tuesday 19th March** and we would really like to have a huge number of extra hands on this day. **So if you fancy doing some engineering, design, modelling in the classroom and you or a grandparent are free on this morning (9.15-12.00 noon) please email the office.** We will test the birds on that afternoon and the winning bird and their teams in both categories will go forward to regional finals the following week.

Meanwhile could you possibly send any plastic bottles (500ml, 1l or 2l) into school. There is a box in the entrance hall to collect them in.



## Year 6 Neuroscience workshop

On Tuesday 29th January Year 6 are participating in an exciting Neuroscience workshop led by Dr David Turk. They will be taking part in lots of challenges and activities and the workshop leaders have requested some help to oversee the tasks. No science background is necessary! If you are free and willing to **help on the morning of Tuesday 29th January** could you email the office by Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January and let them know. We need help from 10am-12.15pm.

## Library

We are looking for volunteers to help us set up a new library recording system. If you are willing to offer some time and help with this project please let the office know.

## Grounds 'Tidy Up' Morning

We will be holding a school grounds morning on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February (10-12). We hope parents and families will come along and help with a general tidy up session in the grounds. We would appreciate any offers of help for a couple of hours. If helpers could bring some garden tools it would be especially appreciated.

## Dental Hygiene



The children in Reception and Year 1 enjoyed a very informative workshop and song with Alison Grant. Elijah enjoyed brushing Bucky the Horse's teeth. Dayton said "Bucky was cute and he helped me learn how to brush my teeth." Zach said "I liked the song." "You need to brush your teeth and gums" Adil.

## Kitchen News

Well done to Bev, our Cook, and Gemma, her temporary replacement, who have successfully gained 5 stars again during the recent Kitchen inspection.

## Gym Club

Please note that there will not be any Gym Club tomorrow, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

### Special Achievements

Thomas G-C gained a merit in his ABRSM grade 1 bassoon exam.

Joseph J & Chloe B passed their Grade 1 and Emma A gained a merit in their recent singing exams.

Madeleine H received Merit for her Grade 1 Piano Exam.

### Lost Property

Please come and check lost property. There are lots of unnamed coats and water bottles. The boxes are overflowing and lots of the items will need to go to Charity soon!

### Year 5 Fairthorne Manor Trip

Please note that the deadline for all payments is 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

### Spare PE Clothes and Smaller Uniform

If you have any spares we can have of both PE clothes for the whole school and any spare uniform for smaller children we would be grateful.

### Music Reports

Mr Fowlie's piano reports are out now and all others will follow between now and half term.

**Year 6 Students of the Week** are Corey, Class 13, and Elicia, Class 14, both for fantastic effort and progress in English.

Next week's theme of the week will be daring.

### SHINE Breakfast Club

All bookings for Breakfast Club need to be made online at For Term 3, 2019: <https://www.myshine.co.uk/activity/breakfast-club-term-3-2018>

### Mr Harvey, Deputy Head

Diary Dates	
<b>January 2019</b>	
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming Years 3 & 6
<b>February 2019</b>	
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bristol Schools Swimming Gala pm
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup>	School Grounds Tidy Up Morning 10-12
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	Manor Farm Family Art Workshop Day at Horfield School
Weds 13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Author visit
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	End of T3
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> / Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Premier Sports Holiday Club
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Start of T4 Book Fair in school
<b>March 2019</b>	
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> /Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Manor Farm Window Wanderland Event
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	UKLA Conference at Horfield School (choir singing)
26 <sup>th</sup> /27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Consultation Meetings
<b>April 2019</b>	
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	End of Term 4

### School Hall & Field for Hire

We would like to remind you that our school hall is available to hire at good rates for parties and functions. Great parking and lots of chairs & tables! Please contact the School Office for availability.

### Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child please talk to our school safeguarding team (Mrs Taylor, Mrs Harfoush and Miss Kielczewski).

Anyone can also contact Bristol's

First Response Team on 0117 9036444 or visit

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/social-care-health/reporting-concerns-about-a-child-first-response>



If you haven't already, please join our **Facebook page: Horfield C of E School Association** to keep up to date with all the events planned.

### Community News

#### SHINE Term 3

SHINE are delighted to be launching a new club here at Horfield CEVC – **Theatre Dance Club** for Years 3 to 6. To be held every Friday after school in the Hall. Coach Lorna will be using choreography for the children to learn dances to their favourite show tunes.

#### UK Air Ambulance Services

Please help by recycling your used postage stamps! Just cut or carefully tear stamped corners from any envelope or parcel. Once you have a large bundle, bag them and send them to Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal, 59 Mitre Copse, Bishopstoke, Near Eastleigh, Hants, SO50 8QE.

Leaflets are coming home today about the **Tag Rugby Club** starting here on Wednesdays, 3.15-4.30pm. Starting 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan. Please note spaces are limited.

#### Premier Sports

Will be running their usual Holiday Club during half term on Thursday and Friday. The children will be given more information in an assembly soon.