



## Newsletter 30

18<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Happy Friday!

This week our year 6 children have taken part in their SATs (the national tests we have to administer at this point every year) and I just wanted to celebrate their positive, resilient approach – several children have even told me how much they have enjoyed it! I am grateful to the Year 6 team who have helped them to approach the week with confidence and so impressed by the children's positive mindset.

**Pet Show Success...** If like me you went to the pet show on the green last Friday you will know what a treat it was, with a selection of dogs, guinea pigs, hamsters...even a tortoise taking part. It was so much fun and brilliantly organised by Nancy, Katie, Daisy P, Millie, Poppy, Anna and Maria. Nancy and Daisy came up with the idea a few weeks ago, put together a proposal, advertised it, arranged the venue and with the help of their friends organised it brilliantly on the day. The animals seemed to love it (although I admit I'm no expert in tortoise body language) and there were rosettes for the winners in each category. Thank you to the parents who helped make this event so successful and for the pets and owners who came along to enjoy it.

**Grow-A-Pound Fever...** is taking over! There are already some fantastic, creative ideas underway and I am thoroughly enjoying hearing about the enterprising ideas the children are coming up with and seeing their enthusiasm. Lots of children have asked me about setting up stalls on the green. If your child would like to set up a stall on the green after school and you are able to help them, then they do not need to check with me. However, we will also hold a Grow-A-Pound Market after school on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30 to 4.30 (outside if weather permits). If your child would like to book a table at this event, there will be a sign-up sheet on my office door from Monday. Thank you for your support with making Grow-A-Pound such a success.

**Non-uniform Reminders...** Today, the children have been allowed to wear red, white and blue to celebrate the Royal Wedding tomorrow. Then next week, we have our annual African Flag Mufti (please see below) to raise money for Send-A-Cow. And then, the first Friday after the holiday we have Joy Day – one of the undoubted highlights of the year and the climax of Core Values week. Children should come in play clothes and bring a hat as we will be outside all day long playing! It's what I like to call a triple mufti!

Right, I'm off to finalise my DJ set – I'm doing a wedding tomorrow. Have a great weekend, Andy Bowman

**African Flag Mufti Day....**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May will be a mufti day in aid of our school charity Send A Cow. The children are being asked to dress up in the colours of the African flag assigned to their year group. There will be a minimum donation of £1 for any child who chooses to dress up and the money raised will be given to Send A Cow. You will receive a letter giving details of the African flag each year group has been given.

Have fun and please remember your donations so we can send as much money as possible to support this worthy charity.

Thank you, Mrs Scott

**Club News.....** There is no year 3/4 netball Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

**If your child is going to "Stay and Play" on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May instead of attending a club, PLEASE fill in a pink slip.**

With thanks, Liz Flood

*Love*

*Courage*

*Creativity*

*Joy*



Well done Elías F6 caught reading at the Clifton suspension bridge for being our Get Caught Reader of the Week. Don't forget the competition ends on Thursday, we will be counting up on Friday morning!



### Bunting for Anita

Sadly we learnt this week that Anita, who used to support the St Stephen's Playgroup has died. Her funeral is next Wednesday morning. Several St Stephen's children and parents will remember her fondly. Anita's son and Rev Philip have agreed that the play group will create a massive string of bunting to reflect the children's and parents' love for Anita. If you or your child would like to contribute to this then please contact Claire Champion who has a template and all the details needed. Many thanks. [claire.e.champion@icloud.com](mailto:claire.e.champion@icloud.com)

### Packed lunch / snack reminder ...

Please can we remind you that if your child brings in a packed lunch or snack from home this must not include nuts or strawberries due to a number of children and adults in school with severe allergies. Your understanding and cooperation as always is appreciated.

### Governor Opportunity

There is an opportunity to become a governor at Bath Spa University. If you are interested then please follow the link below.

<https://www.bathspa.ac.uk/media/bathspaack/work-here/Board-of-Governors---Further-Details.pdf>

### INSET DAYS for 2018/2019

The 5 Inset Days are Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July. These are days when the children are NOT in school.

### Diary Dates...

#### Coming up in May....

18th - PTA Royal Wedding 'Stay & Play'  
18th – Year 5 Performance at Bath Abbey  
**25<sup>th</sup> – Mufti Day**  
25th -End of term 5

#### Term 6

4<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day  
**5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> June – Healthy Body, Healthy Mind / Core Values Week**  
**6<sup>th</sup> June Walk to School Breakfast**  
**8<sup>th</sup> June – Joy Day (please wear play clothes)**  
**12<sup>th</sup> June – Grow-A-Pound Market**  
**21<sup>st</sup> June – Year 4 Cake Sale**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> June – Shuffle up (new class) morning**  
**28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3 and 4 Sports Afternoon**  
**29<sup>th</sup> June – Year 5 and 6 Sports Afternoon**  
**4<sup>th</sup> July – Open Afternoon 3.30-4.30 (meet your new teacher)**  
**6<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Summer Festival**  
**9<sup>th</sup> July – Reception Sports Afternoon**  
**10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 1 and 2 Sports Afternoon**  
**12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> July – Musical**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Concert (instrumental)**  
**18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' Disco**  
**19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Tea Party**  
**20<sup>th</sup> July – Last Day of Term/ Leavers' Service in Church**  
**\*Please note items in bold are new to the list or a change to the date.**