



## Newsletter 6

# 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### Happy Friday!

I can hardly believe next week is the end of term – it has been such a busy, productive and enjoyable few weeks. There are still lots of events to squeeze in before the holiday however, with Move a Mile Day (Monday), the Year 1 Pet show (Tuesday), Walk to School Breakfast (Wednesday) and the PTA's Calendar dressing up day (Thursday) all to look forward to next week! Please see below for more information.

**Good luck PC Holmes...** This week, the children in Classes 1 and 2 were visited by PC Dave Holmes for his usual start-of-year chat about his job (and the chance to have a snoop in his car). While he was here he told me that he will no longer be our link PCSO as he is relocating to the Chew Valley area. Dave has been a real support to the school, our neighbours and families for many years and I know you will join me in wishing him all the very best in his new ventures.

**Netball success...** Well done to our netballers, who started the year in style on Wednesday. I will leave them to tell you more but, in brand new kits (kindly sponsored by Cobb Farr) they played with skill, passion and teamwork. Well done girls!

Have a great weekend, Andy Bowman

**Netball Success...** On Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October seven of our year 6 girls went to the Royal High to compete in the B&NES Netball Tournament. We played six matches and won five, placing us in overall 2<sup>nd</sup> which means we qualify for the B&NES Netball final. Gala Marrack was awarded Player of the Match for her excellent defence. Poppy Hewitt-Smith was Team Captain and supported the team very well.

The Year 6 Netball Team

**Move a Mile.....**On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, Mr Brendan Rouse from B&NES PE will be coming into school to launch the 'Move a Mile initiative'. He will be working with all Year Groups during the day. Please could you ensure your child has a full PE kit in school on Monday including tracksuit bottoms/leggings in case it is cold. Thanking you in advance.  
Jenny Newman  
PE Co-ordinator

**Walk to School Breakfast ....**Just a reminder that we will be holding a walk to school breakfast on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October on the playground (weather permitting). This will start at 8am and you are all welcome to join us for breakfast and stay with your children until they are dropped off to their classrooms for the school day. Please bring a £1 donation for breakfast if you are able. If your child is a school council member in Phase 2 please could they get to school before 8am to help out with serving the breakfast. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you there.

Katie Warlow

**SNAG meetings.....**School Nutrition Action Group (SNAG) is a working party that helps to review school food culture and develop and implement actions to improve it. We have had a SNAG group for many years and it has helped us to develop our menu and ensure it is as healthy and balanced as possible. A SNAG group consists of teachers, children and parents. We would like to give you the exciting opportunity to be part of the group and ask that if you want to be involved you let me know by the end of this term ready for the next SNAG meeting on the first Friday back. I look forward to hearing your ideas at the meetings.

Katie Warlow

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## Club News....

**French...**Please note there will be no French Club on Thursday 19th October.

**Choir....** will be starting again on Thursday 2nd November for Years 3 - 6. More details can be found on the application form, which you'll find in the carousel. Please return your completed forms to office by Friday 20th October.

**Safety..** If for any reason your child is unable to attend a club it is imperative that you let us know so that we know your child is safe and accounted for. You can let us know by filling in a pink slip, phoning the school office or e-mailing clubs direct at After School Clubs <ASC@st-stephens.bathnes.sch.uk>

**Main entrance.....**Please use the main gates, rather than the front entrance door, to bring your child into school in the mornings. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Front door bell.....**There is a new bell on the main front entrance door, so if you do need to use the main entrance, please press the white switch above the key pad, rather than the letter 'A' which used to ring the buzzer. Thank you

## St Stephens School Calendar 2018...

We are looking for people to advertise their company name / logo on the pages of the St Stephens School Calendar 2018. There is a small cost for a space, the money raised from the sales and advertising will go towards outdoor play equipment for the children. If this is something that you could be interested in supporting please contact Tracy at [tracy.creed@zen.co.uk](mailto:tracy.creed@zen.co.uk) or Melissa at [missmimiross@yahoo.com](mailto:missmimiross@yahoo.com)  
Thank you

## ALL AGES DAY: THE CREATIVE CITY

Saturday 21 October 2017

Calling all citizens! What makes a city a great place to live? Spend time at arts and creativity centre The Edge for all ages fun with housing design, dens and VR, whilst older visitors, soak up radical housing solutions and the city as artistic inspiration. Find out more at [www.edgearts.org/futurecitiesbath](http://www.edgearts.org/futurecitiesbath)

## Coming up in October.....

18th - Walk to School Breakfast  
19<sup>th</sup> – Children dress up for PTA Calendar photos  
20th- Children finish school  
23rd- 27th Holiday  
30th - Beginning of Term 2

**Bath Children's Literature Festival.....** Years 3 & 5 both attended this event last week. Year 5 went to see John Agard and learnt about the origins of books, whereas Year 3 saw Nicola Davies discussing all about animals and her journey to becoming a zoologist.

Both trips were enjoyed by all but could not have happened without the support of our parent helpers for the day and our resident librarians Mrs Young and Mrs Smith.

Thank you for your contributions towards this event. We hope next year even more year groups can go.

Many Thanks,

Mr Preedy



Li'l Ninjas Netball Camp – Fun netball day for kids in Yrs 4, 5 and 6.

October 26<sup>th</sup> @ Beechen Cliff School.

For more details and to book go to:

[www.newbridgenetball.co.uk](http://www.newbridgenetball.co.uk)

**Egg Theatre booklets...**We have received some 'What's On' Booklets from the Egg Theatre which have been given out to Years 1 to 3, if your child is in Years 4 to 6 and you would like a booklet, we have put a few spares in the foyer.

**Year 6 Parents & Carers.....**A reminder that the closing date for secondary school applications is **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

If you live outside B&NES you need to apply directly to your home authority.

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