



## Newsletter 38

15th July, 2016

### Happy Friday!

Thank you to everyone who came to support the children in the musical last week and for all of the lovely comments on the evening and since. One person commented on what a great example it was of our Core Values in action and I couldn't agree more. Thank you to the huge team of people who made it possible and of course to each of the children who took part for entertaining us so brilliantly.

**Sports Day Fun...** Thank you for all of your support this week with our sports days. We try to keep them relaxed and inclusive with a healthy sprinkle of competition and the children have really enjoyed themselves, not least because of the wonderful and relentless support from the crowd. Thank you for joining us if you were able to.

**Cricket Champions...** It has been a great year for our cricketers, and yesterday our Year 6 Girls' team captained by Ruby H took part in the South West finals. I am delighted to report that our children were an absolute credit to us all, playing with huge resilience and team spirit. The massive cherry on an already well-baked cake is that they won! South West of England Champions 2015-2016! This is an amazing achievement. Thank you to all of the parents who helped with transport and support, Jenny Newman for her ongoing enthusiasm and passion and of course to Grant and Kenny. Grant and Kenny's dedication and encouragement of the children is wonderful, and I am so grateful to them for all of their work. What a great team effort! There is a picture over the page.

**Thank you Angela and Nicky...** It is the end of a PTA era as Angela Collins and Nicola Chatten are stepping down as chair and secretary respectively. They have worked incredibly hard for the school, have helped raise a huge amount of money and created many magical community memories along the way. Thank you both very much from us all!

**Staff update for next year...** I am delighted to announce that Astral Blanchard will be working in the room opposite the hall as part of the Year 6 team next year, teaching small class sessions in the mornings. A new addition to our staff team from September will be Clare Champion. Clare will be primarily running our Year 1 and 2 Phonics sessions in Sarah's room, and will also do some small group interventions. We are really excited to be welcoming Clare to the team.

And I'll finish with a reminder - the last day of term is **Thursday 21st July**.

Have a great weekend! Andy Bowman

### School Council 2016.....

A big thank you to our school councillors this year - Linden H, Sophia C-H, Jack R, Rufus B, Millie D, Evie H, Jesse C, Heather K-P, Otto G, Beau H, Will P, Rosie H, Finley S and Gracie A. They have done a brilliant job and achieved many goals. They have helped out with the 'Walk to School breakfast' and the 'School Council Book and Cake Sale' to raise money for ongoing projects. They have canvassed children's views and improved lunch times, both in the hall and playground. They put plans in motion to update the Phase 2 toilets which are soon to be revamped. They talked to the children in their classes about what they liked and disliked about school dinners and helped Rachel the cook to devise a new menu for September. Making the quiet garden more attractive is an ongoing project. Heather and Evie organised and judged a bunting competition which made the garden more appealing. Four children went to the Pupil Parliament in Keynsham in June which focused on 'Being Free to Be Yourself'. They took part in various activities on this topic throughout the day and fed back to the other school councillors. Gracie and Rosie did a piece of work describing what makes the school a healthy place. This was submitted as part of our Healthy Schools Certificate and we gained the award. Finally, the children asked their classes to come up with names for the chickens we have in school. They each chose one name per class and we did a ballot vote to decide the final three names. *Well done to the children who contributed to the newsletter on behalf of the school council over the last few months and to all of them for doing a great job representing their classes and the school. Thank you!*

Love

Courage

Creativity

Joy



**Musicianship & recorder summer classes in Bath.....**Developing reading, writing, making and loving music in primary school aged children through singing, playing recorder & learning music theory through fun games. Small groups (up to 6 children), 45 minute sessions £5 per child @ Alice Park, Larkhall, Bath BA1 7BL

Led by an experienced musical educator

<http://www.musicteachers.co.uk/teacher/d6f91341331c409f2841>

Join the Doodle Poll now to find a summer class convenient for you:

<http://doodle.com/poll/f5wa226gm2bpxweg>

Contact Siobhan on **07930 364 533/** [siobhanmdavies@gmail.com](mailto:siobhanmdavies@gmail.com)

If you like the classes, why not come to my music sessions on a Saturday at Hayesfield Upper School BA2 3LA for B&NES Society of Young Musicians : <http://www.bsym.org.uk/TheEnsembles.aspx> email : [music@bsym.org.uk](mailto:music@bsym.org.uk)



Our Cricket Champions!

**Club News.... PLEASE MAKE SURE APPLICATIONS FOR ALL CLUBS ARE IN BY FRIDAY 15TH JULY.** The deadline for Tag Rugby has also been extended to **15th July.** Any club applications received after this date cannot be accepted. Please remember there are no clubs at all next week and there will be no clubs the first week back in September. Many thanks for your support. Have a great summer. Ms Flood

**Do you still need to return your school library book?.....**Thank you to everyone who has been searching under beds and behind bookcases for lost school library books and returning them to school but we are still missing over 120 books. We would be very grateful if you could continue to help your child find their library book and ensure they return it to their class library book box before the end of term – especially if you are in Year 6 and are about to say goodbye to us. Many thanks from the library team.

**Term dates reminder.....**

**July**

15<sup>th</sup> – Y5/Y6 Sports 1.45pm

15<sup>th</sup> – Club Application Deadline

15<sup>th</sup> Reports home

**15<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform sale**

18<sup>th</sup> – Reception end of year assembly  
2.30pm

**18<sup>th</sup> – Year 6 Tea Party**

19<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Tea Party 1.45pm

20<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Disco 6:30 - 8pm

21st - Leaver's Service at the Church  
9.45am

21st – Last day of Term 6

**September 2016**

1<sup>st</sup> – Inset Day

2<sup>nd</sup> – Inset Day

5<sup>th</sup> – Start of term 1 for pupils

**(Bold entries are new to the list)**

**October 2016**

20<sup>th</sup> – Last day of term 1

**PTA News**

**New PTA Chair...** I am thrilled to announce that Sarah Brooks (mum to India and Toby), will be taking over from myself as PTA Chair from September. Sarah has a wealth of experience and I know she will be amazing, congratulations Sarah! Ruby Hazael will also join Sarah's team as Secretary, so huge thanks to Ruby! We are fortunate that Karen Toogood remains our wonderful Treasurer.

**Second Hand Uniform Sale - TODAY! after school, in the hall.** Please come and support the sale and help organise the clothes if you can spare some time. Lots of bargains to be purchased! Setting up from 1.30pm. Thank you.

**The Outdoor Stage/Classroom...** I am happy to report that work begins on our new outdoor stage/classroom next Friday (July 22). After the foundations are dug the wooden structure will be erected, and the whole project should be completed in August. Thank you to everyone for their hard work in raising the funds and seeing this project to fruition. It will be multi-functional, have a power supply, a roof, drainage, storage and seating. The area will be used for play, learning, performance and in a whole host of imaginative ways!

Thanks for your support, and for the gorgeous flowers, spa voucher and messages! Too kind! Angela

**And finally...**Please see attached holiday activity list from our Parent Support Adviser.

