



# Newsletter 24

# 23rd March 2018

St Stephen's Primary Church School

### Happy Easter!

What a busy term it has been! We have packed a great deal into the last 5 weeks including the disco, theatre visits, sporting competitions, world book day morning, music events, parents' evenings, a couple of snow days and we also became an academy somewhere in amongst it all. Most importantly though, it has been a busy and successful term in classes, with our Friday celebration assemblies brimming over with achievements, week after week. This year we have been changing how the children learn Maths, adapting an approach called concrete-pictorial-abstract. As it has become embedded, the enthusiasm, resilience and creativity we have seen from the children has been fantastic and we are looking forward to sharing more of the thinking behind it with you in the Summer.

**Easter Celebration...** Thank you if you were able to join us for the Easter Service in the church this morning. It was a joyful and thought-provoking service with Reverend Philip's usual brand of comedy, love, wonderful words and audience participation (thank you and well done to the "volunteers" – great moves!). A really special way to round off the term and welcome in the Spring. Keeeeep dancing!

**Science Week...** On 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March we celebrated Science week with the scientists at 'Fun Science'. The children took part in a range of experiments from using cabbage water as an indicator, making slime, how to safely create a flame in your hands, exploding a balloon as a test for hydrogen and lots more! We thoroughly enjoyed the sessions and hope these memorable experiences will help foster a life-long passion for STEM subjects amongst the children at St Stephen's. We would like to thank Blackmore Ricotech for their sponsorship and all parents for their voluntary contributions, without which this wouldn't have been possible. I would also like to thank Mr Cooper for organising the days for us. Here are some highlights...



All that remains from me is to say thank you for your ongoing support and to wish you and your wonderful children a very peaceful and happy Easter.

Andy Bowman

**Clubs....**  
**Please remember there will be no clubs during the first week back after Easter.**  
Clubs will start week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> April.  
Have a great break.  
  
Liz Flood

**New lunch menu....**  
Please find attached a copy of our new menu which will start after Easter.  
  
Please note that we start back on Week 2

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## Upcoming trips, activities and Payment dates....

10<sup>th</sup> April - F3 visiting the Herschel Museum  
12<sup>th</sup> April - F4 visiting the Herschel Museum on  
Please give your permission and make payment by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April.

Year 5 are taking part in the Bath Festival. There are various dates for workshops and rehearsals in school and the main performance is on 18<sup>th</sup> May. Please give your permission and make payment by Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Year 2 are visiting ss Great Britain on 10<sup>th</sup> May. Please give your permission and make payment by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

Class photos will be sent home on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April. The dead line for returning orders will be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

(Any orders that miss this deadline will need to be sent directly to the Photographers and will incur a postage and packing charge)

If you have any queries about any of these trips, and activities, please don't hesitate to contact the office.

Thank you for your support.

## Diary Dates.....

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - End of Term 4

### Coming up in April....

9th April – Term 5 starts

**10<sup>th</sup> – F3 Visiting the Herschel Museum**

**12<sup>th</sup> – F4 Visiting the Herschel Museum**

27<sup>th</sup> - Newbarn Y4 Residential

30<sup>th</sup> – Return from Newbarn

### Coming up in May....

7<sup>th</sup> - May Day holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED

**10<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 visiting ss Great Britain**

**9<sup>th</sup> – PTA Meeting**

14<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> SATs week

**18<sup>th</sup> - PTA Royal Wedding 'Stay & Play'**

**18<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Performance at Bath Abbey**

25<sup>th</sup> -End of term 5<sup>th</sup>

### Coming up in June...

4<sup>th</sup> – I NSET

5<sup>th</sup> - Children return to School

5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> -Healthy Schools/ Core Values Week

6<sup>th</sup> – Walk to School Breakfast

11<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> – Phonic Check Week

12<sup>th</sup> - EYFS New Parents Meeting

18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>– Music Box 9.30-11.30 in hall

**Please note items in bold are new to the list.**

## Get Caught

### Reading...



George W, Alfie M, Emily W, George J and Sasha J caught reading after visiting Bath Central library on the snow day



**Maths News!.....**Congratulations Sophie and George in Year 5 and Rufus in Year 3 for achieving a gold certificate in Mathletics! We also have some Top Doodlers in Year one. Congratulations : Luca, Lucas, Oliver, Samuel, Freddie, Edith and Tristan for achieving over 1500 stars between them! Well done to all the other Egg- cellent mathematicians below.

Izzy	Eve
Heather	Ciara
Nell	Lily
Isaac	Sophie G (Gold!)
Hannah	George
Vincent	Grace
Emily	George (Gold!)
Jules (Silver)	Izzy
Jasmine	Leo (Silver!)
Eva	Charlotte
Bethan	Becky
Sophia	Hal (Silver!)
Jasper	Spencer
Connie	Oscar
Seba	Lily
Lynden	Ana
India B (Silver!)	India
Rufus (Gold!)	Zach
Babafemi (Silver!)	Poppy
Fraser (Silver!)	Milo (Silver!)
Jakob (Silver!)	Sophie (Silver!)
Elias	George
Charlie	Toby
Oscar	Tutku
Alfie (Silver!)	Evie
Jessica	Clare
Isabella	Toby
Madeline-Mae	Oscar
Livi (Silver!)	Harry (Silver!)
Louis (Silver!)	Peg
Emmy	Ronan
Hector	Cara
Bethany	Daniel (Silver!)
Layla	

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