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## Newsletter 32

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### Happy Friday!

**Potential increased opening...** Earlier today, you should have received a letter from Philip Bowditch outlining our planned approach to opening to more children.

At the forefront of our approach to this challenge is the safety and well-being of all members of our community and I will be writing a second letter on Tuesday with more detail of the measures we are intending to implement, including cleaning procedures, timings, how we will structure the day, how we will organise the spaces and the entrance and exit points for different groups. There will then be a third letter from me on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, clarifying staffing arrangements and some organisational details to help the start to go smoothly.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> May, the Government intends to confirm whether or not they wish schools to open to more children in June. We are all very mindful if it does go ahead, a significant number of children will still be learning from home and in our planning we are aiming to retain the staffing capacity we need to be able to continue and develop our home learning strategy. As you will appreciate, this is not without some significant challenges but I wanted to reassure you that as we move forward with this, keeping our whole school family feeling as together and as connected as possible remains a key priority.

### Doodle Maths News

Well done another productive Doodling of maths. This week we are celebrating everybody who has 40 stars and highlighted are those with over 100 stars. If your child has gained their 40 stars and has not been mentioned in the newsletter it may be because their stars are not showing on our system. Please check that your child is doing their Maths online and/or your email is linked with the school. Any problems please email the school. Have a wonderful bank holiday, Carol Foster.

Year 6: **Olivia, Aila, Connie, Patrick, Nicholas, Oscar, Eliza, Dougie, Ben,** Charlotte, Aiden, Dulcie, George, Rosa, Freddie, Emily, Immy, Veronica, Tia, Kitty, Austin, Martha, Thomas, Florence, Amelie.

Year 5: **Neva, Sophia, Kal-El, Emily, Phoebe, Freddie, Elizabeth,** Heidi, Denis, Amelia, Oscar, Jemima, Spencer, Edie, Lily, Carys, Matlida, Tess, Jakob, Noah.

Year 4: **Laurie, Matilda, Conrad, Elkie, Rhiannon, Saskia, Evie,** Elias, Jessica, Adam, Zac, Tutku, Florence, George Issy. **Alfie, Megan, Amelie, Eva, Cara, Antonia, Harry, Jack, Lyra, Bethany,** Emmy, Jakob, Daniel, Iris, Hunter, Madeline, Claudia, James, Louis.

Year 3: **Isla, Gina, Zain, Reggie, Alice, Faye, Henry, Felix, Zavier, Tristan,** Erdem, Eva, Harvey, Freddie, Sasha, **Kwan, Jessie, Lucas, Oskar,** Charlotte, Edith, Sam, Isaac, Taylor, Jacob, Alice, Edith.

Year 2: **Hashir, Ted, Nevaeh, Gaby, Charlie, Charlotte,** Kenneth, Marcus, Albert, James, Esme, Sophia, Jack, Theo. **Ellie, Frankie, Martha, Finlay, Gabe, Lizzie,** George, Freddie, Tiger, Morven, Isabella, Florrie, Fergus, Tobias, Mia, Ava, Tilly,

Year 1: **Harry, Zoe, Rudy, Bernie,** Gryff, Romina, Nathaniel, William, Ethan, Zain, Bobby, Maude, Clementine, Charlie. **Ben, Joshua, Alexander, Ivy, Aria, Romie, Ada,** Esme, Alfie, Elizabeth, Harlequin, Marie, Leo.

Early Years: **William, Henry, Ethan, Sophie, Oscar, Etta,** Felix, Vakaris, Eddie, Ruby, Arthur, Jacob, Lucy, Violet. **Max, Flora, Isabel, Ruby,** Murray, Sofia, Tessa, Naomi, Maz, Stanley, Ruby, Trixie, Braydon, William.



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**It's Half Term..!** In early March, I found myself wondering whether we might have escaped winter without the drama and excitement that comes with closing the school for a snow day. Little did I know what was ahead!

As we come to the end of Term 5 and complete a full term of being closed to the majority of pupils, I wanted to thank you for your ongoing support and communication through these unusual times. The children's engagement on Teams and the photos and updates we have received via email and twitter have reflected the amazing effort and resilience your children (and you!) have shown over the last term.

I hope you and your children can enjoy some 'down time' or just different time this week, enjoy the sun and recharge the batteries. It is looking likely that next term will bring with it further significant change, but our values and partnership will help us to continue to adapt and grow together.

I will leave you with this lovely banner, created by Rosa in Year 6. Have a lovely half term holiday. Andy Bowman



**Community News...** If you know of a business or service which would like to spread the word about what they are offering during this period, please email the school office at [office@ststephens.bwmat.org](mailto:office@ststephens.bwmat.org) with the text that you would like to be included and we will share it in the next newsletter. Thank you.

Local charity Bath City Farm has launched a fundraising appeal to raise money in its 25th birthday year. The Farm has been keeping people connected with the animals via Facebook Live feeding every Saturday at 11am and delivered over 1,000 meals to people in the local community. Former St Stephens pupil, Eve Collins, features in the appeal video - [www.bathcityfarm.org/bcf25](http://www.bathcityfarm.org/bcf25) and Lucas Collins in F12 is cooking up some fundraising ideas.

**Design Competition...** Wylde Jewellers in Bath are running a fab competition for kids 6-16 to design a piece of jewellery (a pendant) inspired by nature. The winning design will have it made by their in-house goldsmiths! <https://www.nicholaswylde.com/latest-news/kids-jewellery-design-competition/>

We're a local independent company who have been in Bath for over 30 years who specialise in bespoke fine jewellery designs, with in-house designers and goldsmiths. We can work to any budget and create almost anything your heart desires!! The shop is currently closed due to the pandemic however our goldsmiths are still working and we can still design and make, so if anyone needs anything for a special occasion please do get in touch with us!

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*Courage*

*Creativity*

*Joy*



**Julian House Garden of Hope...** Hi everyone I have teamed up with the wonderful charity @julianhouseuk to create a very special craft for all you lovely people!

Every day at Julian House they support and care for vulnerable men, women and children. Some have been forced to sleep rough, while others have been forced to flee their homes as a result of domestic abuse. Life can be challenging for people in care especially during this uncertain time.

Help Julian House by making a garden of hope and spread some positive messages to the men, women and children in care.

Click on the link below   for how to make these flowers. Take a picture of your gorgeous creations and tag #julianhouse so they can share them with the people in their hostels and refuges. Please if you can make a small donation to their emergency appeal, that would be amazing. THANK YOU so much! Sarah Cullis

<https://www.julianhouse.org.uk/make-a-garden-of-hope>

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CADa9uNFgG2/?igshid=l1pgqqgiv1v7>



**Future Bright** is a council-run project, funded by the DWP which works with people to develop their careers. We offer:

- A careers coach to help you plan your career and support you to take the next steps
- Access to funding for training, equipment and other things you need to start out on your journey
- Support for both the employed and self-employed

From learning new skills to developing your confidence, take action to fulfil your career aspirations.

To find out if you are eligible and register with us go to [www.futurebright.org.uk](http://www.futurebright.org.uk) or call 01225 395555



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Banes Compassionate Communities Hub...

**Hello**

**COVID-19  
COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

If you are concerned or need support  
we have people who can help.

**Helpline: 0300 247 0050**

We have a team of experts who can assist, and volunteers in your area.

If you can safely get support from family or friends, or can order items online, then please continue to do so.

- 1 Delivery of urgent supplies
- 2 A friendly phone call
- 3 Collection of medication
- 4 Money matters and work
- 5 Mental wellbeing (including loneliness, low mood, anxiety)
- 6 Advice on keeping fit
- 7 Housing issues
- 8 Supporting your family
- 9 Food and cooking
- 10 Understanding public health advice



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We want to help in a safe way, whilst you maintain your self-isolation. For this reason we are avoiding physical contact. Please:



Use your telephone or computer to arrange help or to chat.



Leave items for collection or delivery on your doorstep at an arranged time.



Please wash your hands before handling any items for collection.



All shopping should be paid through our system. Please do not give out money or card details.



Stay safe. If you are worried about anything that is beyond the scope of this flyer then call the helpline.

**#compassionatecommunity**

**Helpline: 0300 247 0050**

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