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# Newsletter 7

# 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

**Happy Friday!**

**Pet-tastic...** Thank you to everyone who brought pets to our Year 1 pet morning on Monday. Whether real, toy, photos or drawings, the children loved meeting and hearing about each others pets. The weather even held off the rain long enough to enjoy it too!

**Walk To School Breakfast...** We are looking forward to our Autumn Walk to School Breakfast on Wednesday of next week. Breakfast is served from 8am and costs £1.50. It is always a sociable and pleasant way to start the morning, with school councillors on hand to take orders and serve you at tables. It is also intended to give the children who don't normally walk to school an incentive to give it a go. There are huge benefits for children if they walk to school - the regular exercise, the fresh air, the chance to chat to friends along the way all helps them to arrive at school fresh and energised ready to learn. The reduction in traffic around school is also of great benefit to the safety of our children as well as to the environment and on Wednesday, representatives from the 'Clean Air For St Stephen's' group will be at the breakfast to launch a new walking bus project. The idea is to make it easier for parents to allow their children to walk to school by providing a series of official meeting points, along with designated volunteers who will escort the children to school.

I think it is a brilliant initiative - please come along on Wednesday to find out more.

**Parents Evenings...** Thank you so much for signing up for parents evening slots ahead of next Tuesday and Wednesday evening. If you are having problems doing so, please let Mr de Alberquerque in the office know as soon as possible.

**Sporting superstars...** I wanted to finish by celebrating some individual sporting successes. In September, Zac Hutchinson competed at the South West Gymnastics and came 2nd place overall out of 21! This means he has now been selected to compete for the South West at the National Finals in Birmingham in the first week of November. We done Zac - we are right behind you!

Last weekend Poppy Tucker took part in a Banes Biathlon competition at the University and did really well, 8th in the run and 6th overall, which is a fantastic achievement. Well done Poppy!

**Inset Day...** Just a reminder that next Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> October, school is closed for the children, so their last day of term will be Thursday 24th. Our EYFS team are going to a conference organised by the Trust, while the rest of us will be planning the first topics of our new-look curriculum. Next term I will share with you the intent and overview of the curriculum so that you can hopefully get as excited about it as we are!

Have a lovely weekend, Andy Bowman

St Stephen's Primary Church School

*Love*

*Courage*

*Creativity*

*Joy*



**Bath Sports & Leisure Centre Open Day 20<sup>th</sup> October** offering free activities for parents and children. These activities range from free fitness classes and gym sessions for parents to children's free trial swim lesson, as well as bowling and trampoline sessions. In addition to this there will be a powerlifting workshop and a charity Glow Zumba session to raise money for Cancer Research.

The centre will also be running an open day raffle with prizes of free passes and activities, along with handing out passes for classes and activities throughout the day.

For more information please visit:-

<https://www.better.org.uk/leisure-centre/banes/bath-sports-and-leisure-centre/news/free-open-days-in-bath-and-keynsham>

**Lansdown Tennis, Squash and Croquet Club are recruiting Café Bar Assistants...** Are you a happy, keen person looking for an enjoyable role? We're looking for someone who can provide excellent customer service with a smile and have an eagerness to provide a pleasant experience for our members.

You will be of smart appearance, be able to communicate well verbally and be interested in dealing with people of all ages. Availability for evenings and weekends is essential. We have several permanent part time positions.

For more information telephone:-  
01225 425763

### **Halloween Family Fun event at the Richmond Arms - Thursday 31st October...**

The Richmond Arms will be hosting an evening of family fun for Halloween. There will be games such as apple bobbing and slime lucky dip for the children. Bring your pumpkin along and enter a competition for the best design! Adults can enjoy a mulled cider or one of our excellent big bodied red wines. We will be offering a kids supper: pulled pork burger or soup and bread (v). The pub will be open from 3.30pm and children are welcome until 9pm. Why not drop by on your trick or treat walk?

### **Bed Time Story drinks at the Richmond Arms - Thursday 21st November...**

Pre-book your drinks at the Richmond Arms for the Bed Time Story evening. We will be offering 'theatre style' drinks. Select and pre-pay for your drinks and they will be prepared for you ready for 6pm, so you do not need to queue at the bar on the night. Simply pop into the pub before 21st November to order your drinks. We accept cards and cash. We will be offering drinks for 35 people in advance, on a first-come-first-serve basis. There is room for more people in the bar, but they will need to pay on the night. Please be aware that tables cannot be reserved in advance, the pre-payment is for your drinks.

### **Diary dates...**

#### **Coming up in October...**

22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> - Parent Consultations

23<sup>rd</sup> - Walk to School Breakfast

24<sup>th</sup> - Children finish school

25<sup>th</sup> - Inset

#### **Coming up in November...**

4<sup>th</sup> - Beginning of Term 2

5<sup>th</sup> - Flu vaccinations - Reception to Y6

11<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> - Anti Bullying Week (15<sup>th</sup> Circle of Friendship)

15<sup>th</sup> - Reception 2020 Open Day 9.45 - 11am

21<sup>st</sup> - Bedtime Story 6-7pm (Phase 1 children)

**Mobile phone found...** On Monday a mobile phone was handed into the school office, which we believe may belong to a child.

Please contact the office if you are missing a mobile phone.

**And finally...** Poppies and poppy stationery items will be on sale from Monday. The suggested donation for the stationery is 50p an item.

Thank you for your support.