

**This week at St Martin's Garden: Lovely things happening all around school this week! Lesson observations have shown that standards of teaching and learning are really strong. Reception class are enjoying their new sand area, Year 1 have been learning about Andy Warhol, Year 2 experimenting with cars and friction, Year 3 were evacuating in World War 2, Year 4 have been being pirates, Year 5 have been learning to play the glockenspiel and Year 6 have been dramatizing maths problems, linking with their Macbeth learning from English. Wow what a vibrant school we have!!**



**Open Morning**  
Tuesday 17th October 2017 | 9.00am - 12.00 noon  
For Pupils due to start School in September 2018

A great opportunity to enjoy an insight into life at our school, see our improvements and experience our facilities including:

- 8 acres of fabulous Outside Play & Learning Spaces
- Our refurbished Swimming Pool
- New ICT suite
- Cookery Room
- Learning across the school

Talk by our Head Teacher followed by pupil led tours at 9.00 am and 11.00 am. For further details please ring: 01225-832112  
St Martin's Garden Primary School, Lympsham Green, Odd Down BATH BA2 2UN

- 1. DATA COLLECTION ~ Green Data forms** are coming home to all pupils (starting with older pupils). We are required by law to check, once a year, the information we hold on our computer system. **Please read, amend (if necessary), sign and return to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you.**
- 2. SCHOOL MEALS ~** Due to rising costs and in-line with B&NES and other Paldadian Trust Schools we are increasing the cost of our School Meals to **£2.60** from **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**. Our **NEW** winter menu will be published next week and the price increase is reflected in the increased choice of yummy; healthy meals.

Please can we also remind parents **not to put whole grapes** in lunch boxes for infant aged children. The advice from the Food Standards Agency is for grapes to be cut lengthways to reduce the risk of choking. Thank you.




Bath Odd Down  
junior parkrun  
Free, 2k, run for 4-14 year olds

Interschool Friendly  
15 October 9am

Register online & print your barcode:  
[www.parkrun.org.uk/register](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/register)

<http://www.parkrun.org.uk/bathodddown-juniors/>

**BATH ODD DOWN JUNIOR PARKRUN** are running an **INTERSCHOOL FRIENDLY** on **SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER ~ 9.00am** at the Track at **ODD DOWN**.

They want children aged 4 -14 to run 2k and represent their School. You are all fantastic Runners at St Martin's Garden, Please go along, have fun and show everyone what amazing Runners you are!

Register at <http://www.parkrun.org.uk/bathodddown-juniors>

4. **HEADLICE** ~ We have been asked to remind **all** parents to check regularly and treat Headlice. Please can we also remind parents that long hair needs to be tied up; apparently plaits and buns are very good for keeping Headlice out!
5. **MISSING ITEMS** ~ We still have a pair of named, black, size 2, Asda school shoes missing. Please check bags etc so see if we can find them. Also we have some named PE kits, in bags, missing please double-check to make sure they have not been picked up my mistake. Thank you for your help.

6. **PTFA EVENTS:**

- **Tea and Coffee being served during Parents Evening ~ Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October in the Dining Hall. Pop along for a cuppa.**
- **FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER ~ HALLOWEEN-THEMED CAKE SALE** after school. Please support us by baking and donating lots of yummy cakes. Bring cakes to the Dining Hall in the morning. Thank you.
- **TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER ~ HALLOWEEN-THEMED MUFTI DAY** (No masks please)~ **£1.00** donation towards PTFA school fundraising. Participation is voluntary; please wear uniform if not taking part.

Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2017 ~ Special Halloween-themed School Lunch
Hot Dogs <b>Veggie Hot Dogs</b> Chips Baked Beans
Chocolate Cake with Green Custard
<b>Only £2.60 for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and Free for Years R, 1 and 2</b>

- **THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER (EVENING) ~ CHRISTMAS DISCO** ~ 6.00 to 8.00pm. Further details to follow.

4. **PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION**~ We are currently looking for a parent governor to join us who can offer:

- a strong commitment to education and the School;
- a willingness to learn about governing and the governing at St Martin's in particular;
- a readiness to play a full part in the collective work of the governing body;

**Subject to eligibility;** you have the right to stand as a candidate and to propose candidates. Candidates should be proposed by parents of pupils currently on roll at St Martin's Garden Primary School and the Margaret Coates Centre. Nominations should be made on the nomination form and returned to the clerk, via email or to the School, by 3.15pm on **Monday 6 November 2017**.

For full details please see letter to parents, nomination form and qualification/disqualification criteria emailed to you on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October or contact the Governance Officer, Tanya Lock, at [t.lock@palladianacademytrust.com](mailto:t.lock@palladianacademytrust.com)

If you would like to discuss becoming a governor with the Chair of Governors, Dr Julia Garratt, then please email: [governors@stmartinsgarden.org.uk](mailto:governors@stmartinsgarden.org.uk) to arrange a mutually convenient time.

7. **APPLICATIONS TO SECONDARY SCHOOL** closing date for applications is **31<sup>st</sup> October 2017**. **PLEASE** make sure your apply on-time. All **ON-TIME (by 31<sup>st</sup> October) applications will be processed first** so if you put in a late application you may miss your first choice. The links for

applications are as follows (Please apply to your home council even if you are applying for a B&NES Secondary School.) B&NES: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/schools-colleges-and-learning/admissions-schools/admissions-transfer-secondary-school>,

Wiltshire: <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/schools-learning-admissions-online>,

South Glos: <http://www.southglos.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-online-for-a-school-place>

Bristol: <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/schools-learning-early-years/secondary-admissions>

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- **OPEN MORNING ~ 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017 ~ 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. For parents/carers looking for a school place for September 2018.**
- **Parent Consultations ~ Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 5.00pm to 7.00pm and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm to 5.00pm.** PTFA Tea & Coffee available in the Dining Hall.
- **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October ~ PTFA Halloween Cake Sale after school**
- **HALF-TERM ~ Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**
- **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October ~ Term 2 starts**
- **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October ~ Halloween MUFTI and Lunch (details above)**
- **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December ~ Flu vaccinations for Year R, 1, 2, 3 & 4 by School Nurse Service.**
- **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 6.00pm to 8.00pm ~ PTFA Christmas Disco**
- **After-school Clubs for Terms 1 & 2 finish ~ Week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> December**



*Wishing you all a lovely weekend, Matt Stone and all staff at St Martin's Garden Primary.*

## Community News

St Phillips and St James drama group Bath are celebrating their 60th anniversary, next year. They would like to contact as many past members as possible and invite them to join them over the weekend of the **8th-10th June 2018**. Please contact [geoff.heather@talktalk.net](mailto:geoff.heather@talktalk.net) if you, any family members or friends have been connected to the drama group in any way over the past 60 years.

**BATH CITY FOOTBALL CLUB** on **Saturday 21st October** entertain Braintree Town in a Vanarama National League South game (kick-off 3pm). The club would like to make this match a special event by allowing all fans to watch the game, but instead of paying the usual admission price, **just to pay what they want**. We want to make this a real community event for the people of the Bath area. The Football Club also want to link this to the charity which the club is supporting this season, Age UK B&NES, and 10% of the gate money raised will go to them. The club will be holding a number of events before the game and during half-time.

- Meet our club mascot Bladud and have your photograph taken
- Take part in a "Beat the Goalie" event
- Face painting
- Clappers for the children
- Get involved in our Sugar Smart campaign
- Weight lifting demonstration from a local gym
- Watch Under 8 and Under 11 football at half-time..... **Go along, Support Bath City and Enjoy!**