



St Nicholas C of E Primary School

January 5th 2018

Term: 3

Newsletter: 1

Mrs Smith's Message

Happy New Year to you all.

I congratulated the children in our first assembly on how smart they are looking, many thanks for your support in this. We all had a fabulous time at the pantomime on Wednesday. The children were all exceptionally well behaved and really entered into the fun of the show.

Sadly some parents are continuing to park in the car park, we have continually asked parents not to do this. The minority are spoiling it for the majority and so I have made the decision that anyone caught parking on the site without permission will be issued with a ban that prevents them from driving onto the site. Yesterday evening I was lucky enough to join our athletics team at an athletics meet at Wellsway School. The whole team were excellent ambassadors for our school, showing amazing resilience and sportsmanship. I was very proud when we were announced as being in fourth place. It is an honour to represent their school and I am proud of the way every member of the team performed – well done to you all! A huge thank you to Mrs Clarke and Mrs Smith (Severn TA) for organising it all and accompanying the children.

Next Friday we have Jim Gump coming in to inspire the children to live a healthy lifestyle – they will need their trainers in on that day.

The meals this week have been fantastic – lots of new food on the menu. Tash, our new chef, is happy to speak to parents about their children's dietary requirements. Please let Mrs Williams know if you have any questions and she will make an appointment for you.

Best wishes,
Nicki Smith



House Points

Huish	43
Foxcote	41
Tyning	46
Ludlow	30

Class Attendance

Severn	100%
Kennet	98.6%
Avon	98.1%
Dart	97.5%
Yeo	96.8%
Brue	95.5%
Somer	94.6%
Tone	92.3%
Frome	91.8%

Free School Meals

This is good time to suggest to you all that you may know that if you receive the eligible benefits for Free School Meals and are not currently registered for Free School Meals (EBB) then you should register in time for September when your children will no longer be receiving the Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM).

Eligible benefits are as follows:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have and annual household income (as assessed by HMRC) below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit Run-on which is only paid for 4 weeks after you STOP qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit
- Support under PartV1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If you think you may be eligible, please apply!

Contact freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk or call 01225394317

Drop Off Zone

Please remember that the drop off zone is not for parking. You may only use this area to drop off children who are able to go to class on their own. We would also like to remind parents that between 3:15pm and 3:45pm everyday and 2:45 to 3:15 on Fridays there is a 'no car movement restriction' in the car park. The gates are locked and no cars can enter or leave during this time so the children can leave the grounds safely. Mr Elsam, our caretaker will be monitoring the car park every morning and afternoon. If you have any concerns please speak to him.

CHES

Exciting news! Ferdo, who teaches the Year 3's chess, is once again running a **FREE lunch time** club for up to 30 children Years 3-6. If your child is interested please sign in the main reception.

Attendance

Attendance continues to be a concern as we are not reaching our target of 98%. All parents/carers of pupils whose attendance is under 95% will be sent a letter and closely monitored over the coming terms.

If your child is not in school you will need to call the office and state exactly what is wrong with them. "Not Well" is not acceptable as we need to know if we have an epidemic of a certain type of illness.

Letter have also been sent out where pupils have been late on several occasions. These pupils will again be closely monitored over the coming terms. When giving reason why they are late please do not put "late" as we need a reason why.

We understand that it can, at times, be difficult to get your children to school on time every day. If you feel you need additional support in this area please let us know.

Save the Date

Please make a note of the following dates:

Tuesday 9th January:

8:45am :Tuesday Tea with Mrs Smith

Tuesday 16th January:

9-10am: Yr1 Somer Family Event

Wednesday 17th January:

Yr5-6 Swimming Gala

Thursday 18th January:

Avon and Mells Family Event

Friday 19th January:

KS2 Celebration

Tuesday 23rd January:

9-10am: Tone Family Event

Yeo Trip to @Bristol

Friday 26th January:

9-10am: Severn Family Event

KS1 Celebration Assembly

Monday 29th January:

INSET Day

A Time To Talk

In each class ask your child about:



Frome/Tone (R): How many fairy tales do you know?

Somer/Tone (1): Who was your favourite character in the Pantomime and why?

Dart: How many 3D shapes can you name?

Avon/Mells: Why were the Pyramids built?

Kennet: What is your new year resolution?

Yeo: How many different facts do you know about space?

Severn: How many facts can you recall about Gaudi?

Scoot to School Reminder

Scoot days are:

Every Tuesday break-time:
Years 1&2.

Every Friday break-time:
Years 3-6.

Please don't forget your helmets!

Next Friday (12th), we will be welcoming a special visitor to the school.

He will be joining us for Move-a-mile. Please can you make sure your child has their trainers in school on that day.
Thank you.

KS2 ONLY

School Meals Term 3

Prices for School Dinners for Term 3 will be:

Mondays £10.00

Tuesdays £15.00

Wednesdays £15.00

Thursdays £15.00

Fridays £15.00

Everyday £70.00

*Please remember to deduct any trips or events when paying in.

If your child would like school meals everyday you are welcome to pay in one £70.00 payment, or if you prefer, send in weekly £12.50 payments on Mondays for the week ahead. Cheques payable to BANES.

Please note that if you fail to keep up with dinner money payments, you will be asked to send your child in with packed lunches until the balance is cleared.

Thank you