

This term's Christian value is **THANKFULNESS**. We are thinking about remembering to thank people who help us, even when times are difficult, and counting your blessings.

*Always be thankful [1 Thessalonians 5.16]*

### Congratulations to the last two weeks' Achievers!

Little Oaks Stars of the Weeks -

Liucija, Esme, Jessie, Seb & Elsie-Rose

All of Little Oaks

Class 1 Archie for being kind and polite to his friends

Jemima for excellent mental maths using the iPad

Class 2 All of Class 2 for such an amazing visit to Bristol Zoo - excellent behaviour 😊

Alfie G for always putting so much effort into his work and trying things he is unsure of

Class 3 Sonny for getting all of his spellings and times tables correct... and lovely manners!

Beth for being kind, caring and proactive - a super class councillor

Class 4 Bonnie for her fantastic singing in the harvest assembly

Joshua for always being a good friend

Class 5 All of Class 5 for such an amazing class assembly

Chloe and Mariah for their super effort in maths and with their handwriting at home

Class 6 Hubert for superb progress in Maths

Chloe for her organisation and general conduct around the school - SO helpful! 😊

Other: **BRONZE** Times Tables Stars: Bonnie, Elsie, Jacob & Kaitlyn - well done

### School diary dates:

#### October

Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> no rugby clubs until 15<sup>th</sup> Nov (sorry - too many meetings for Mrs J 😊)

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> & Weds 24<sup>th</sup> parent-teacher consultations - sign up in the entrance lobby now

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> end of Term 1

#### November

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> start of Term 2

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> 7.00 PTA meeting - The Frome Way

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> 6.15 governors meeting

Weds 21<sup>st</sup> film night - more details to follow

#### December

Weds 5<sup>th</sup> 1.30-3.00 area swimming gala  
**3.15-5.00 Christmas Fayre**

Weds 12<sup>th</sup> Nativity performances

Weds 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas lunch

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> 2.30 end of term!

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN - INSET Day 2



Here's to the new **School Council!** Oscar, Beth, Logan, Joshua (Chair), Cicely and Jack have all come to their first meeting with **MANY** exciting ideas from their classes!

### Oliver DVD

We now have DVDs of last term's performance available for only £5 - a super memento of an amazing production by the St. Mary's children.

Dare I say it, possibly even a fantastic Christmas present for family members...? ☺

Please return the reply slip at the bottom of this newsletter to ensure you get a copy.

Please pass on the word to any children who have since left as they were in Y6...

Many thanks to Peter & Geraldine Buchanan for all their hard work filming and producing the DVDs

**Mrs Gallimore was super proud of Eddie today for writing a sentence worthy of a Year 6 pupil.**

*'On a hot day, in the summer, a flower that had beautiful, lime-green leaves and large, pink, delicate petals was sitting proudly in a colourful pot in a beautiful home and soon it would be a massive flower.'*

☺ *super opener*

☺ *heaps of adjectives*

☺ *prepositions*

☺ *adverb*

☺ *conjunctions*

☺ *commas*

☺ *personification*



*Mrs Currey  
thought he  
deserved a  
sticker... or two!!!*



Last Tuesday, representatives from our School Football Club played against Clutton Primary School at Somervale, on their astro pitch. The sun shone and all the children played their very best, demonstrating resilience and determination throughout the game. The sportsmanship and camaraderie was impressive to see! This was our first game EVER in the Small Schools League and the whole squad now has a base line to work from. We look forward to our next game after half term.

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### Notices & Reminders:

- **WELLIE AMNESTY!** As you know, all children at St Mary's need a pair of wellies in school - they play outside every day, and sometimes do lessons outside too. We are sorting out the wellie sheds - children will be bringing home any wellies left in school - please make sure they still fit and will see them through the winter. On wet days, they will need a **coat** too! 😊
- For Year 6 parents who have not yet submitted their **Secondary Applications**: a reminder that the closing date for submitting their secondary applications for Sept 2019 is by midnight on **31st October 2018**.
- Thanks to all the parents who came to the VERY successful first **Friends of St Mary's PTA meeting** held in The Frome Way! We planned many fun activities for the Christmas Fayre, and advance notice: please book any **stall tables** that you / any friends or family may like to run. Also, we are asking for any great donations as **raffle prizes** - if you are able to beg a great prize from any of your connections, **PLEASE DO!**

## Free School Meals - Eligible by Benefit All School Years

If you receive any of the benefits listed below, please register for Free School Meals - Eligible By Benefit (EBB). Registrations could attract Pupil Premium funding for school, £1,320 per Primary pupil.

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
  - Income Support
  - Income-Based Jobseekers Allowance
  - Income Related Employment Support Allowance
  - Child Tax Credit (WITHOUT Working Tax Credit) and have an 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 Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Please contact the team at [freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk](mailto:freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk) or call 01225 394317.

Visit [www.bathnes.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) to download and complete a form online

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### School newsletter by email

In working towards being a more eco-friendly school, saving paper & printing costs, we would like to be able to send you the school newsletter electronically by e-mail.

Please provide the office with the e-mail address/es for us to send this to:

CHILDS NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address 1: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address 2: \_\_\_\_\_

If this is not convenient please tick here and we will continue to provide a newsletter in paper format. [ ]

Thank you

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Please reserve me a DVD of the Oliver production.

Child's name: