



Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

- 7th Nov – Swimming starts for Y5&6
- 10th Nov – PSA Textile Collection
- 16th Nov – Flu immunisations
- 17th Nov – INSET Day
- 20th Nov – Y5 residential visit to Charterhouse
- 27th Nov – STEM Workshop for Y5&6
- 27th Nov – Parents' Evening
- 30th Nov – Parents' Evening
- 1st Dec – Choir to sing at Long Ashton Community Centre, 11.00am
- 1st Dec – Open Afternoon, 1.30pm
- 7th Dec – Nursery & Reception Nativity, 9.30am
- 7th Dec – Christmas Lunch
- 9th Dec – PSA Christmas Fair
- 12th Dec – Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity performance, 9.30am
- 13th Dec – Nine Lessons and Carols Service for KS2 pupils, 6.30pm
- 20th Dec – Last day of term

- 2nd Jan – Bristol Sport Holiday Camp
- 3rd Jan – Bristol Sport Holiday Camp
- 4th Jan – Children return to school

Reminders and actions

Swimming for Year 5 & 6

Year 5 and Year 6 start their swimming lessons on Tuesday 7th November. A reminder of what children need to bring & collection details was emailed today.

Cauliflower Cards

Thanks to the PSA for organising the collection of Cauliflower Cards orders today. They will be there on Monday pick up also for any remaining collections.

A prayer to let our light shine

Father God,

Bring light into my life this day;
beautiful people, music,
birdsong, nature, a card in the
post, or something else special.
Help me to be a light for others;
to guide, to help, and to brighten
their day.

For your glory today, help me
bring joy to this world.

Amen

Music Mark Award 2023!

I am delighted to say that Northleaze School has been granted the Music Mark Award 2023 – 2024, which celebrates the value that we place on music in our school. Music Mark is the UK Association for Music Education, championing and supporting access to music for all children and young people and we are thrilled that they have acknowledged all we do here to inspire, celebrate and motivate our young people in all things musical!



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KS2 Nine Lessons and Carols Service

I am really pleased to say that we are, once again, holding a traditional, candlelit carol service with our KS2 children, to take place at All Saints Church on **Wednesday 13th December, at 6.30pm**. This was a wonderful service of music and readings, in the style of the well-known 'nine lessons and carols' last year, with each class performing either a Christmas song or a reading. We will also have songs from the choir as well as the whole key stage. Please put this date in your diary as we would love every child in Key Stage 2 to take part. It will be a lovely way to properly start the Christmas festivities!

BBC 500 Words Competition

Following the assembly Mrs Simmons led before half term regarding the above writing competition, we wanted to remind any of our budding young authors that the closing date is Friday 10th November. We know that many of you were keen to enter this so please do let us know when you have! The link for more information, and to enter, is [here 'BBC 500 Words 2023'](#).

Long Ashton Mobile Library

Continuing along the theme of reading and writing, the dates and times for the mobile library visits to Long Ashton between November and January can be found on the attached poster. These can also be found by clicking the link below: [North Somerset mobile library](#)

'Remembered with Love' at All Saints

A gentle, reflective service of readings, music and prayers, with the opportunity to light a candle in memory of those we love but see no more, will be held at All Saints Church on Sunday 5th November at 4.00pm, with refreshments served from 3.00pm. If you would like a name, or names, added to the memorial list to be read out during the prayers, please email [Rev'd James](#) or contact the Parish Office.

Poppies on sale next week too!

It's been lovely to see children so enthusiastic to support the Poppy Appeal this year. Poppies and other Remembrance items will be on sale again next week if anyone missed out this week.

PSA Textile Collection

The PSA are kindly coordinating another Textile collection on **Friday 10th November**. Please see the attached poster for items that will be accepted and bring **any bagged donations** to the school foyer on the morning of Friday 10th. The PSA receive £300 per tonne received.

Disco success last night!

Thank you very much to the PSA team for organising such a fantastic disco for each key stage last night. It was lovely to see so many of our children enjoying themselves with their friends, dancing, singing and taking part in a brilliant array of games! The organisation was impressive and the team thought of every aspect of the event to ensure the children were safe and had fun. Thank you PSA!

House Points and Birthdays

Congratulations to **Ashton** who were this week's house point winners! Happy birthday to India (Rec) Toby (Y1) and Ben (Y4) who have celebrated their birthdays this week. We hope you all had a lovely day!



EasyFundraising Update

Raise money with your weekly food shop! Did you know that most supermarkets donate via [Easyfundraising](#)? Every time you do an online food shop, you could be raising a regular and fruitful contribution for Northleaze PSA at the same time. All supermarkets have their different terms and conditions (which are easy to check before you confirm to activate the donation) but these tend to be around minimum basket value, own brand products etc. Please continue to help support the PSA using [Easyfundraising](#) when you shop – thank you!

Christmas Holiday Club at Northleaze

Although we have only just returned from half term, we have started receiving information about some local Christmas holiday clubs including a Bristol Sport camp taking place here at school on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd January. We will send full details via email early next week once Bristol Sport's booking system is live. We will also add a page to our new website next week and add details of this and other local holiday clubs as we receive them.

Nailsea and Backwell Rugby Club

Please see the attached flyer for information about the above club and their offer for local children and young people.

Have a lovely weekend and please do stay safe at any Bonfire or Firework celebrations you may be attending!

Victoria Reyes, Headteacher