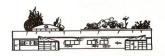
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'Let your light shine.' (Matthew 5:16)

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Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

18th Jan - Lunchtime Bible Club

26th Jan - PSA Cake Sale

30th Jan - Year 3 to Bristol Museum

5th Feb – Children's Mental Health Week

6th Feb – Safer Internet Day

7th Feb - Great Fire of London

morning for Year 1

9th Feb - PSA 'Break the Rules' Day

9th Feb – Last day of term

12th - 15th Feb - Bristol Sport holiday camp at Northleaze

19th Feb - INSET day

20th **Feb** – Children return to school

27th Feb - Swimming starts for Y3&4

1st Mar - PSA Book Sale

7th Mar – World Book Day

8th Mar - PSA Cake Sale

28th Mar – Last day of term (Thurs)

Reminders

If you have a child due to start Reception in September this year, please do remember to apply for their place by Monday 15th January. We sent information at the end of last week and the link to the North Somerset admissions page can be found here.

A prayer for respect

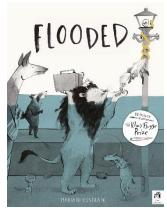
Father God, Today remind us to respect each other.

Remind us to consider others' feelings, wishes and rights. We thank you that we are each made in your image, grateful for the abilities and qualities you give to each one of us. Help us to celebrate all people and their achievements. Amen



'Flooded' - our whole school book

This term has seen all our classes enjoying the book that won the Klaus Flugge Prize for Illustration in 2023, 'Flooded' by Mariajo Illustrajo. It is a funny and beautifully illustrated tale of animals who have to work together to save their city; learning that with a little team work and community spirit, no problem is insurmountable!



Doodle

As I'm sure you are now aware, we have taken the tough decision to say goodbye to the Doodle apps this month. As is the case with many platforms and programmes of this nature, once they had been in place for a number of years, the majority of our pupils and had lost their way somewhat! As Miss Withinshaw mentioned, it was a considerable cost for the low numbers using them and we believe it is a good time for a change. We are hopeful that those of you who wish for your children to continue using Doodle have been able to secure the 40% discount we negotiated with the company and that any 'streaks' have been maintained. (We have always found Doodle to be very helpful so do contact them if you need support setting up a personal account.)

Rest assured, we are in the process of looking at alternative apps and programmes to support our pupils' in their times tables and spellings as we understand their importance in helping children engage with and enjoy additional learning at home. We will, of course, let you know when we plan to launch these and look forward to the excitement we know this will bring.

All Saints Church Services

This Sunday's Family Service takes place at All Saints Church at 10.00am. This is a lively service of music, readings and prayers with plenty of movement and interaction as they worship together as a community of all ages. It lasts around an hour and refreshments are served afterwards.

EasyFundraising Update from the PSA

We appreciate so many people using EasyFundraising whilst shopping online as it is a great passive fundraiser. We have been made aware that on iPhone and Mac users, not all companies allow donation reminders including Expedia, Hotels.com and Booking.com. However, you can still shop with them and raise donations by searching for the company through the Easyfundraising app or website https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk.

House Points and Birthdays

Congratulations to Yanley who were this week's house point winners! Happy birthday to James (Y6), Livia and Joshua (Reception), Arun (Y1), Ivy (Y3), Senara and Harry (Y4) and Scarlett (Y2) who have all celebrated their birthday this week. We hope you all had a lovely day!



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to Jaxon and Livia (Reception), Sam and Indie (Year 1), Harry and Matilda (Year 2), Bonnie and Ellie (Year 3), Senara (Year 4), Chloe and Thomas G (Year 5) and Della and Erin (Year 6) who all received certificates from their teachers this morning. Congratulations also to Hugo they were no longer attracting engagement from (Reception), Freddie (Year 1), Dylan (Year 2), Theo R (Year 3), Elsie (Year 4) and Eloise (Year 6) who were awarded this week's 'respect' leaves. Well done everyone, a fantastic first week back!

> Well done to Rhys (Y1), Theo, Ellie & Molly (Y3) and Wendy (Y4) who all received a Doodle streak award.

Bristol Sport Feb Half-term bookings live

You should have received an email today with details of Bristol Sport's February half term Forever Sports Holiday camps that will be running here at Northleaze during February half term. All the prices and details were attached on the poster and you can now book spaces for **Monday 12th** February to Thursday 15th February via this link Reception aged children can attend if an older sibling is also attending.

Bristol Sport are also running a camp at Birdwell School on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th December and you can book these spaces via a different link.

Extra Bristol Sport Friday after school club

Due to popular demand, Bristol Sport will also be running Nerf Wars & Dodgeball After school club on Fridays starting from next week. This will run for the next four weeks (ending 9th Feb). Full details and link to book are on attached poster.

> I hope you have a lovely weekend. Victoria Reves, Headteacher