



## Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

**29<sup>th</sup> Apr** – LSP Survey to parents  
**3<sup>rd</sup> May** – Reception Cake Sale  
**w/c 13<sup>th</sup> May** – Year 6 SATs  
**21<sup>st</sup> May** – Y4 to Celebration of Sport Festival at Ashton Gate  
**20<sup>th</sup> May** – Arts Week  
**24<sup>th</sup> May** – PSA Climbing Wall  
**24<sup>th</sup> May** – Last day of term

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**3<sup>rd</sup> June** – INSET day  
**4<sup>th</sup> June** – Children return to school  
**7<sup>th</sup> June** – Class photos  
**21<sup>st</sup> June** – Sports day 9.15am – 12.00pm

## Reminders

If your KS2 child wishes to join the existing Friday lunchtime **running club group**, please fill in the [form here](#) to give your permission (this was also emailed yesterday). Children should come into school wearing their normal PE kit with suitable trainers. Runners can still order an Aspens lunch which they will eat in the hall on their return.

Thanks to everyone who has already completed the PSA **Climbing Wall permission form**.

Please ensure you have completed a form for each child by 17<sup>th</sup> May if you wish for them to take part on 24<sup>th</sup> May. If you would like to donate to the sponsorship form, you can do so [here](#) (it's also on the thanks page when you submit your forms).

Feel free to share this with friends and family too!

## A prayer for resilience

Dear Lord,

Give me courage when life is tough,  
when I'm feeling down and  
I feel like giving up.

Please give me the courage, Lord, to  
confront my fears, and  
the strength to carry on when  
something is difficult.

Help me to do what is right, stand  
against wrongdoing and persevere to  
do all the good that I can.

**Amen**

## Expanding our meadow

We were lucky enough to have David Jeanneret from Avon School Nature Connection and Amanda Barrett from LANCE Trust in school yesterday to extend our wildflower meadow area, ready for the summer.

With the help of a few parent volunteers, grass at the very top of the school field was mowed then turfs were cut. Years 5 & 6 helped turn strips of turf into useable rolls which they then formed into a horseshoe shaped structure, which over time will grow to form a useable space at breaktimes and for outside learning.



Years 3 & 4 helped plant more wildflowers to bloom over the summer. We're so excited to have even more space dedicated to ecology and hopefully will attract more species of wildlife to our area. To find out more about the Avon School Nature collection, go to [www.ASNR.club](http://www.ASNR.club)

## New Spring floral art

If you get a chance, please do pop into the main foyer and have a look at the fantastic new artwork by Year 6. The bright floral pieces were created with wax crayons for outlines then painted with bright watercolours to produce some stunning floral creations. It really does have a wonderful impact when you enter the school and definitely spreads some Spring joy!



## Summer Concert – save the date!

Following the success of last year's summer concert, we have planned for our second one this July, to celebrate all the amazing musical talent we have at Northleaze. As before, the KS2 choir will be performing a selection of their repertoire and we hope to have a number of our older instrumentalists perform solo and group pieces. This event will be held at All Saints Church on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 6.30pm.

## LSP/Northleaze Parent Survey 2023

On Monday, you will receive a link to this year's Parent Survey. We would really appreciate a few minutes of your time to complete this as it really does help with our planning for the future and ensures your views and suggestions are taken into consideration. Our Trust (LSP) collate the responses from all 30 schools and this supports their understanding of parental views.

## PARKING WARNING

We were really saddened to receive photographs and complaints from our local neighbours about inconsiderate parking in Brook Close this week, despite our reminder in last week's newsletter. On Wednesday afternoon, some cars were parked in such a way that local resident driveways were blocked, and emergency vehicles would not have had full access.

We cannot stress enough how dangerous some of the parking, and driving, is becoming and urge you to think carefully before you park your car in Brook Close or the surrounding small roads. The car park at the top of Theynes Croft is only a few minutes walk away! We have forwarded the photographs on to our local PCSO and are awaiting their feedback and advice.

## Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to Lucia and Layla (Reception), Indie and Ezra (Year 1), Aoife and Juliette (Year 2), Molly and Asa (Year 3), Heidi and Ariyana (Year 4), Harriet and Alice (Year 5) Erin and Archer (Year 6) who all received certificates today.

Congratulations also to Bluebell (Reception), Jacob (Year 1), Zara (Year 2), Harrison (Year 3), Charlotte (Year 4), Gulliver (Year 5) and Daisy (Year 6) who were awarded this week's 'compassion' leaves. Mrs Reyes awarded her Headteacher's award to Charlotte (Year 4) this week.

## House Points and Birthdays

Happy birthday to Jacob (Y1), Matilda (Y2), Heston (Y3) and Erin (Y6) who celebrated their birthdays this week. We hope you had a great day.



Congratulations to **Ashton**, this week's house point winners.

## Local All Stars and Dynamos Cricket

With the promise of warmer weather, the cricket season is on its way. The popular Cricket All Stars and Dynamos sessions are open for booking with local sessions at Long Ashton Cricket club and nearby in Flax and Backwell. Full details on the attached flyers and the [school website](#).

## May half-term holiday camps

Bristol Sport are running their Forever Sport camps again in May half term here at Northleaze. Full details attached and on the [school website](#). We've also added details of [Royal All Stars Netball Academy](#) who are running a holiday camp at Backwell School for children in Years 3 – 6.

I hope you all have a relaxing weekend.  
**Victoria Reyes, Headteacher**