

Happy St George's Day



Headteacher Message:

I hope you all had a happy and restful Easter holiday. It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school and to begin the summer term together, with classrooms once again full of curiosity, energy and enthusiasm for learning.

The term has started positively, building on the strong sense of community from last term, including our Easter service at All Saints Church. Across the school, pupils are already demonstrating our Christian value of resilience as they take on new challenges and learning opportunities. From Forest School and Bikeability to the Year 6 Life Skills visit, children have shown determination, confidence and a willingness to keep trying, even when things feel challenging. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I look forward to working together to ensure this is a successful and rewarding term for every child.

Staffing Update – Exciting News!

We are delighted to share that we have successfully recruited a new Deputy Headteacher, who will be joining us in September. Mr Lloyd Morgan will be joining the school from Golden Valley, bringing with him a wide range of experience to support our school's ongoing development. Mr Morgan has a particular interest in Physical Education and is passionate about promoting active, healthy lifestyles for children. We are very much looking forward to welcoming him to our school community and to the positive contribution he will make to school life.

Christian Value of the Term: Resilience

Throughout the term, children will be encouraged to develop perseverance, confidence and the ability to keep going when things feel challenging. Through learning, play and reflection, we help pupils to understand that resilience means trying again, asking for help when needed and trusting that they can grow through setbacks. Further information about resilience, along with our other Christian values and ideas for how families can support this work at home, can be found on the school website. We are very grateful for the way parents and carers work

alongside us to reinforce these shared values beyond the school day.



Easter Service

At the end of last term, we came together as a school community for our Easter service at All Saints Church. It was a pleasure to walk up Festival Way together, with children, staff and parents sharing the journey and creating a real sense of occasion. Each class presented a different part of the Easter story, and the children did so with confidence, thoughtfulness and respect. We were very pleased to be joined by so many parents, whose attendance helped

Key Dates

Forest School
Year 1 - Tuesdays
Year 2 – Wednesdays
Yr 3/4 'Run for Fun' event 29/04/26
Yr 4/5 Bikeability 29 & 30/04/26
PSA Parent Social 30/04/26
Survey Deadline 08/05/26
Year 6 SATs Week 11-14/05/26
Term 5 Parent Forum 18/05/26
Last day of term 23/05/26
INSET Day Term 6 01/06/26

Lunchtime Clubs Reminder

Bible Club – 28/04/26
Construction – Monday
Mindfulness - Monday
Times table Rock Stars – Tuesday
Choir – Wednesday
Colouring - Friday
Running Club – Friday
Bristol Sport Leaders - Friday

make the service feel especially meaningful. Thank you to everyone who contributed to such a lovely end to the term.



Parent Representative Forum

At the end of last term, we held our first Parent Representative Forum, bringing together one parent representative from each class for thoughtful and positive discussion. It was a helpful opportunity to share ideas, ask questions and continue to strengthen communication between home and school.



Thank you to all of the parent representatives who attended and to those who have agreed to take on this role for their class. A separate letter has been shared (attached) outlining some of the topics discussed at the meeting. The next Parent Representative Forum will take place on **Monday 18th May at 2:15pm**, and we look forward to continuing this positive partnership.

Year 1 Forest School – Earth Day

Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic Forest School session inspired by Earth Day. They began with a nature hunt, collecting a range of natural materials, before working in house groups to build bug hotels. The children then explored the area on a bug hunt, searching for minibeasts in their natural habitats. They finished with a calm 'nature listen', taking time to reflect on the sounds around us and our learning outdoors.



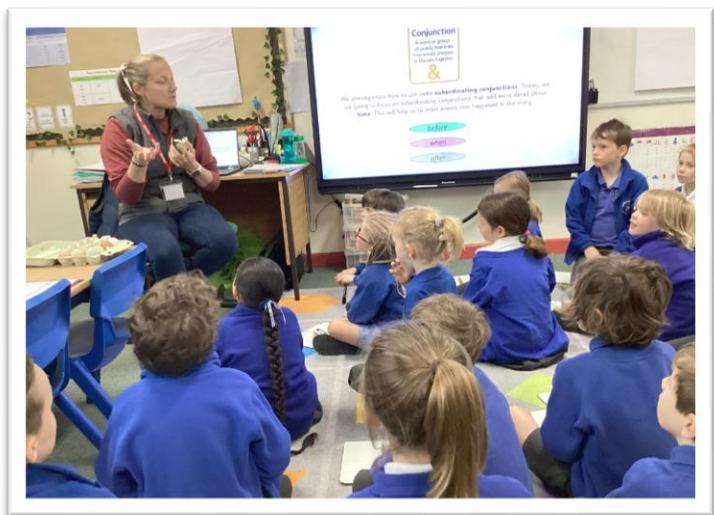
Year 6 LifeSkills Visit

On **Thursday 23rd April**, Year 6 visited the Life Skills Centre at Create Bristol, where they took part in a range of interactive activities designed to help them stay safe and confident in everyday situations. Pupils learned about road safety, emergency response and personal safety, showing excellent engagement and teamwork throughout the day. The visit was an enjoyable and valuable experience for all.

Farmlink Visit and Egg Hatching Project

We were delighted to welcome Steph from Farmlink into school to deliver an incubator and 14 eggs, which Year 2 will be hatching this term. Steph explained the incubation process to the children, who listened with great interest and are very excitedly hoping that the chicks will hatch in around three weeks' time.

Farmlink is a charity that works to reduce food waste by redistributing surplus food from farms to communities in need. As well as tackling waste, they also support schools and educational projects, helping children to learn more about farming, food production and sustainability. We are very much looking forward to this hands-on learning experience and to seeing how the project develops over the coming weeks.



Bikeability



Children in Years 4 and 5 are taking part in Bikeability sessions this week and next. The instructors have been extremely complimentary about the children, praising how well they have listened, alongside their excellent manners and confidence when cycling. It has been wonderful to see the children developing these important life skills and representing the school so positively.



Parent Survey

Every year we ask parents/carers to complete a survey about their child / children's experience at school. This takes place across all the schools in the Lighthouse Schools Partnership, giving us really valuable information about your views and helps drive school improvement and allows our schools to further support pupils in future. We would really appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete the survey by Monday 8th May






Please click this link to complete the survey:

<https://responses.lpsurveys.org.uk/t/NorthleazeParents/>

Northleaze CofE Primary School - Safeguarding

At Northleaze, the safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. If you ever have concerns about a child's welfare—whether at school or at home—please speak to a member of our safeguarding team. Together, we can ensure every child feels safe, supported, and ready to shine.

 <p>Corinne Clarke Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>	 <p>Julia Simmons Year 5 Teacher Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>	 <p>Rowena Davin Safeguarding Governor</p>
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Please come and speak to one of us if you have a concern about a child or adult at school,
or anything to do with keeping children safe.
The office team will know where to find us.



A Prayer for Resilience

Loving God,
Thank you for being with us in both the joyful moments and the challenging times.
Help us to grow in resilience — to keep going when things feel difficult,
to be patient with ourselves and with one another,
and to trust that we can learn and grow through every experience.
Give us courage when we feel unsure, strength when we feel tired,
and kindness to support those around us.

Amen.

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Headteacher's Awards

KS1: Mya T

KS2: Theo



Stars Awarded to:

Year 1: Beck

Year 2: Livia & Bertie S

Year 3: Laurie

Year 4: Max

Year 5: Alex

Year 6: Isla



Class Certificates Awarded to:

Year 1: Thomas B & Benji

Year 2: Dougie & Freddie

Year 3: Marcie & Finley

Year 4: Freddy & Maggie

Year 5: Ellie & Thomas

Year 6: Charlie & Austin

Recent Birthdays:

Arianna

Wendy

Thomas U

Matilda

Sara

Jacob

George

Winston

Bertie L



INSET Days 2026-2027

Thursday 3 September 2026
Friday 4 September 2026
Friday 20 November 2026
Friday 15 January 2027
Monday 22 February 2027
Monday 7 June 2027

INSET Days 2025-2026

Monday 1 June

Term Dates 2025-2026

Term 5: Mon 20 Apr - Fri 22 May 26
Term 6: Mon 1 Jun - Wed 22 Jul 26

Term Dates 2026-2027

Term 1: 3 September 2026 – 23 October 2026
Term 2: 2 November 2026 – 18 December 2026
Term 3: 4 January 2027 – 12 February 2027
Term 4: 22 February 2027 – 25 March 2027
Term 5: 12 April 2027 – 28 May 2027
Term 6: 7 June 2027 – 23 July 2027