

Shoscombe Church School

Inspiring everyone to shine



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Church School

Newsletter

20th September 2019

Creativity and Wonder

Upcoming Events

23rd Sept – Sycamore Class visit to Georgian Bath (Heritage schools)
24th Sept – Beech Class visit to Roman Baths
30th Sept – Beech Class watch Ade Adepitan at Royal High
1st Oct - Sycamore Class visit to Georgian Bristol
2nd Oct – Chestnut Class watch Christina Stephenson at Guildhall
2nd Oct – Harvest festival in the church, 2pm
4th Oct - Special Education Needs information café for parents
4th Oct – Sycamore Class watch Andy Stanton at Guildhall
3rd & 4th Oct – Staff from our Erasmus partner schools visiting St Julian's and Shoscombe
8th Oct – parent consultation evenings after school
9th Oct – parent consultation evenings after school
10th Oct – World Homeless Day: fund raising event tbc
16th Oct – Sycamore Class assembly for parents
24th Oct – Sycamore Class visit the Life Skills centre in Bristol
24th-25th Oct – Sycamore Class sleepover and star gazing event at school

HALF TERM:

28th October – 1st November

Walking around school this week I have seen lots of smiling, happy children engaging in their learning. Everyone has come back this term ready to learn and with a positive 'can do' attitude. Well done everyone!

Our value this term is 'Creativity & Wonder'. In collective worship we have used a science experiment to help us understand how God made each of us different and special and when we mix together as a school we create a wonderful place full of talent and potential that makes us as teachers and parents go 'wow'! Ask your children to explain the liquids in the bottle. We have also reflected on the wonderful transformation that takes place from bulb to daffodil. We are planting bulbs now and will wait to see them grow.

We have all been impressed with how well our new reception children have settled into school. This week they have stayed all day, enjoying lunch and playtime with the older children afterwards. Our Year 6 buddies have enjoyed showing them around and helping them to line up in the right place!

By now you should have received a welcome letter from your child's class teacher. This explains all the routines and homework expectations for the year. Details of upcoming trips were also outlined. Please make sure you have been on school money to pay for these. If you feel making these payments in one go is not feasible please contact Mrs Noall to discuss how they could be staggered over a period of time. You have also been sent a Data Collection form. It is essential that this is checked, completed and returned to school if you have not already done so.

And finally, we have a lovely group of volunteers who help with reading, gardening, school trips and more. If you are interested in helping out at school please let the office know and they will arrange for all the necessary checks and induction.

Mrs Noall



Staffing updates

We have two PGCE student teachers joining us from next week; Mr Adrian Williams will be in Chestnut Class and Ms Josephine Palmer-Turk will be in Beech Class. Rev. Adam Pitt is in school every day this term as part of his curacy training. He has been taking classes for RE, leading Collective Worship and supporting the school as we prepare for our SIAMs inspection. He is helping to plan and build a special garden area for children to use for reflection which includes helping to secure funding for this project. He will also be running a philosophy club on Thursday lunchtimes.

Have you completed the After School Club Survey? If not, please follow this link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWBV->

[MTipJssW7WzqSksZqtZo_FqIUILLpUGpvYWPYodnRGQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWBV-MTipJssW7WzqSksZqtZo_FqIUILLpUGpvYWPYodnRGQ/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1)

We need to hear from as many parents as possible in order to help us set this up correctly.

Attendance to date: 96.5% The class with the best attendance is Chestnut 99.6%

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Harvest for Foodbank

Throughout the month of September we will be collecting harvest donations for the Somer Valley Foodbank. We will then celebrate Harvest as a school on 2nd October at 2pm in the school hall. As usual we will serve parents and carers with home-cooked food as part of our harvest service. Donations can be sent to school at any time throughout the month and left in the school hall. No fresh produce please.



Instant Coffee
Tinned Custard
Long-life Fruit Juice
Ketchup & Brown Sauce
UHT & powdered Milk
Tinned Macaroni Cheese
Tinned Meat Soup
Pasta Sauce
Tinned Rice Pudding
Savoury Snacks
Sponge Puddings
Sweet Snacks
Tinned Spaghetti
Household Cleaners
Shampoo
Shower Gel



Pupil Voice Teams

We are delighted to announce the following pupil voice teams for 2019-2020.

House Captains

PRIDDY - Annie (Captain) & Izzy (Vice)

GREYFIELD - Byron (Captain) & Timmy (Vice)

BROKERSWOOD - Ben (Captain) & Luca (Vice)

AMMERDOWN - Loula (Captain) & Tilly (Vice)

School Council

Annie, Oliver, Tilly, Cypress, Lily, Maddison, Devlyn, William and Oakley

EE-Team

Phoebe, Hannah, Luca, Betty, Cerys, Matilde, Charlie M

ROAD SAFETY

Please remind your child to stop, look and listen before crossing the road outside school. That road is busier than you think and traffic does not always stop to let children cross.

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Please park considerately if you park on the road outside school. Please avoid blocking the road or driveways as this can upset our neighbours.

Thank you



Bath and Bristol Futures Research Festival – Friday 27th and Saturday 28th September

Matilde (Year 4) and her mum would like to invite you to take part in the Futures Project next weekend. Academics are running a series of activities looking at how the past has helped to influence the way we live our lives today and how current research is shaping our future. This series of free events is taking place at venues across Bath and Bristol, including the Holburne Museum and BRLSI in Bath, and the SS Great Britain and We The Curious in Bristol. Matilde will be helping out at the SS Great Britain with the clay workshop that is promoting empathy towards migrants. Many events over the weekend are free.

Follow this link to find out more:

<http://www.bristol.ac.uk/policybristol/events/2019/-futures---european-researchers-night-27-28-september-2019.html>

FOSSA Events:

Friday 27th Sept 5pm – 9am - Camp Out and bacon breakfast

Weds 3rd Oct 7pm – 7.45pm - AGM All parents encouraged to attend. Free coffee and biscuits

Friday 25th Oct 4.30pm onwards - end of term Pumpkin Disco at Village Hall - £2 entrance for drink and crisps.

Sunday 1st Dec 10am – 12pm - Santa Dash and Santa saunter with BBQ

Weds 11th Dec - Carol Service

Sat 14th Dec 10am – 12pm - Christmas Fayre

Thursday 19th Dec 2pm - Egg Theatre trip – funded by FOSSA payment of £1000

Thursday 19th p.m. - YrR and nursery - special Christmas treat funded by FOSSA

Jan/Feb Quiz night

Thursday 2nd April - during school time - Children's Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt