



Dear Parents and Carers,

I feel I should congratulate everyone for getting to the end of an eight week first term. There are so many familiar as well as new routines to re-adjust to at the start of a new school year, that it is always the most exhausting term. That said, we are really proud of the learning that has taken place and feel all classes are well settled and want to thank you for your support in this.

A highlight for me this week is the hoop display that I was invited to during Tuesday lunchtime. Many children have been enjoying learning new skills with our Shine Sports leaders at lunchtime. We've experienced dodgeball, tag rugby, cricket and hockey as well as dance and hoop skills this term. The hoops have been so popular that the children wanted to show off their talents. The photo doesn't capture their pride and enjoyment, but will give you a flavour.

In other news, there has been an arrival of a log circle for the children outside on one of the Year 1 areas. Vicky our fantastic Forest School leader has provided them for the children to enjoy in their free play, as well as for story and other outside adult-led sessions.

Thank you to those of you who gave up your time to help with packing up the library ahead of our flooring works in the holidays. This gives us an opportunity to sort, refine and replenish stock ahead of a wider library project supported by FHIS.

We value the support of our families greatly and hope that we communicate this alongside messages to ensure you feel trust in our role in your child's education. I have had reports that there have been some social media group conversations with speculation around certain school or class decisions. It can be more helpful

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to address concerns with us as a primary source as in the cases brought to my attention, there are unfounded rumours. As part of our continued offer for parental engagement, I will be offering Head's appointments during Parents' Evenings again next term.

I look forward to seeing you during those two evenings as well as at open morning on the 8th November. Have a wonderful week.

Best wishes

Gemma Fricker, Headteacher



YEAR GROUP HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK

Reception: have been learning about how to make links in learning like our Elli spider. They have been on Autumn web hunts as well as developing fine-motor skills by threading their own webs.

Year 1: Have written postcards home as either the character Beegu or the (lost) penguin. This has been a culmination of this terms learning, using adjectives to describe feelings and settings in sentence writing. They have also been learning about the works of the artist Yayoi Kusuama.

Year 2: have enjoyed sharing their homework projects in all shapes and sizes from models, posters to music recitals. They too have written a piece of creative writing as a finale to the

learning from the term. I'm sure you'll enjoy reading their stories during open morning.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Celebration Assembly on 8th November will also be used to mark the Harvest season. In advance of this, we will be collecting donations of food (tinned goods, particularly those that can be eaten without cooking like corned beef, tuna and tinned fruit and vegetables, dried goods, biscuits and cereal). A representative from the Salvation Army will be attending to explain how these kind donations will be utilised. We would be most grateful if you could support this by leaving donations outside the class rooms after half term. Thank you!

STAFF CAR PARK

Please be aware that the staff car park is for staff use only, we respectfully ask you to observe this at all times of the day. This is for the safety of children and parents moving about the site.

The Pupil Premium - If you are on a low income or entitled to benefits the school may be able to access funding called Pupil Premium. This fund enables us to provide opportunities for children to enhance their learning. It is also important that we are aware if your child is adopted or comes from a forces family as this also enables access to the fund. Any enquiries are treated in confidence, so please come to the office to collect a permission form enabling the school to ascertain if you are eligible.

Amazon Wish List

Teachers will be uploading items to the school Amazon Wish list after half term. More information about this will follow.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Fri 25th Oct Last day of term
Dress down day (donations to FHIS for the library)
Mon 4th Nov Inset Day
Tue 5th Nov Start of term 2

Fri 8th Nov Open Morning 9.10-10.10am
FHIS Fireworks
Mon 11th Nov Yr 2 Coffee Morning 9-10am
for parents whose children are
going to HJS in dining hall
12th & 14th Nov Parents' Evening
Wed 13th Nov Yr 2 to Caldicot Castle
Wed 27th Nov Flu vaccine in school
Wed 11th Dec Reception Nativity Play
9.15am
Wed 18th Dec Pupil Christmas lunch
St Peter's Church Service 2pm
Thu 19th Dec Christmas party/panto
Fri 20th Dec End of term 2
Mon 6th Jan Inset Day
Tue 7th Jan Start of term 3
Fri 7th Feb FHIS Winter Disco
3rd & 5th Mar Parents' Evening
Fri 6th Mar FHIS Quiz and Curry night
Sat 28th Mar FHIS Easter Egg Hunt
Fri 3rd Apr Year 1 Play 9.15am
Fri 24th Apr Class photos
Sat 16th May May Fair
Mon 22nd Jun Yr 2 Shuffle Up Day to HJS
Wed 24th Jun Sports Day
Tue 30th Jun Open Evening
Thu 16th Jul Yr 2 Leavers' Assembly 9.15am
Please see the online calendar here:
[http://www.henleaze-
inf.bristol.sch.uk/?page_id=55](http://www.henleaze-inf.bristol.sch.uk/?page_id=55)

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Pilates at Golden Hill Sports Pavilion

www.truebalancepilates.co.uk

Tuesday 9.30am and 10.30am (term time)

Group classes for all abilities. Develop core strength - Increase flexibility - Improve posture - Rehab from injury

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Contact Nicola on T: 07500 962 821 E:

truebalancepilatesbristol@gmail.com

Ali's Get Dancing After School Dance Club. All primary ages. We meet every Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm in the Infant Hall. For more information call Ali on 07795 215319 or email aligetdancing@gmail.com

French Club - If your child would like to try French Club this term, please contact Anna-Kate on admin@clubs4kids.com or 07375306881. A bientôt x

October 1/2 Term Holiday Courses at Kings Tennis Club BS7 8JG

For ages 4 - 15 and all abilities. We make sure that all children are happy in their groups so that they will feel confident to build their tennis skills.

The October half term courses will run Monday to Thursday from 9AM - 1PM. Our goal is to coach tennis in a fun environment!

We do not see ourselves as childcare providers - we are passionate about sharing our love for tennis!

The mornings cost is £15 a session and are booked online. If you book all 4 days it's just £50

We advise booking early to ensure a space, however you can also book on last minute!

Please take a look here and book online as soon as you can so you don't miss out - <https://bit.ly/2miP45R>

On Saturday October 26th it's Halloween Dress Up Saturday morning drop in tennis! 9.30 - 10.30 8 & under and 10.30 - 11.30 11 & Under and teens - everyone including the coaches dress up for tennis with Halloween sweets and prizes for best costumes!

Scouts Bonfire Night

Come and join the 44th Bristol Scouts at their scout hut opposite Falldon Way medical centre for their annual (non-fireworks) bonfire night on Monday 4 November. Come and have a drink; eat a hot dog or (veggie) chilli and rice; watch the guys meet their doom on the fire; and see what our friendly Scout group get up to. All welcome. Suggested donation of £1.

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Mon 29 July - Fri 9 Aug - 10 days, weekday mornings

Mon 28 Oct - Fri 1 Nov - 5 days

Mon 17 Feb - Fri 21 Feb - 5 days

Mon 6 April - Fri 17 April - 10 days, weekday mornings

Enquiries and bookings

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Clifton Swim School have generously
donated a free course of (Easter) swim
lessons to the fireworks raffle, so don't
forget to buy your tickets at £1 each.

Remember – please park considerately if you
are driving to school. Do not use the staff car
park or obstruct our neighbour's driveways.
Thank you.