

'Be kind, be curious, be you'

10th January 2025 Bulletin

Headteacher update:

Happy New Year!

The weather has been a big topic of conversation this week with the expectation of heavy snow today (and all the planning that entails), which turned out to be a false alarm, then replaced by managing the cold and icy conditions instead. As expected, the children have taken any adjustments in their stride and settled back into routines really well.

We have been really impressed with the enthusiasm they have shown for the new topics introduced. It has been notable how many families had used the class blogs to find out about what was happening in school and built on this at home. I had a really wonderful teaching session in Year 2 this week where they shared the learning and discussions they had already been having at home about their space topic. As a way to reinforce their learning about the layers that make up Earth, the children made models, discussion the various facts they'd learnt about the layers as they did.



We talked in assembly about the start of a new calendar year often leading to people choosing to set goals. We agreed a shared goal should be to support one another to always uphold school values and keep the 5 school rules. At home it would be good to talk to children about what they aspire to achieve this year. Whether it is to master zipping up their coat independently, try new foods, learn to ride a bike

Coming up:

**Friday 24th January-
INSET** (school closed)

Wednesday 29th

January-Smartphone
safety online session 7-8

Friday 30th January-
School Nurse and Bristol
Parent carer Coffee
morning at HJS

[Click below for the school
calendar](#)



Please come along to the next FHIS meeting on Monday 20th Jan at 7.30pm at Eastfield Inn, parents are always welcome to find out more about fundraising events and help to decide how profits are spent on projects at school.

***DATE FOR YOUR
DIARY AMENDED***

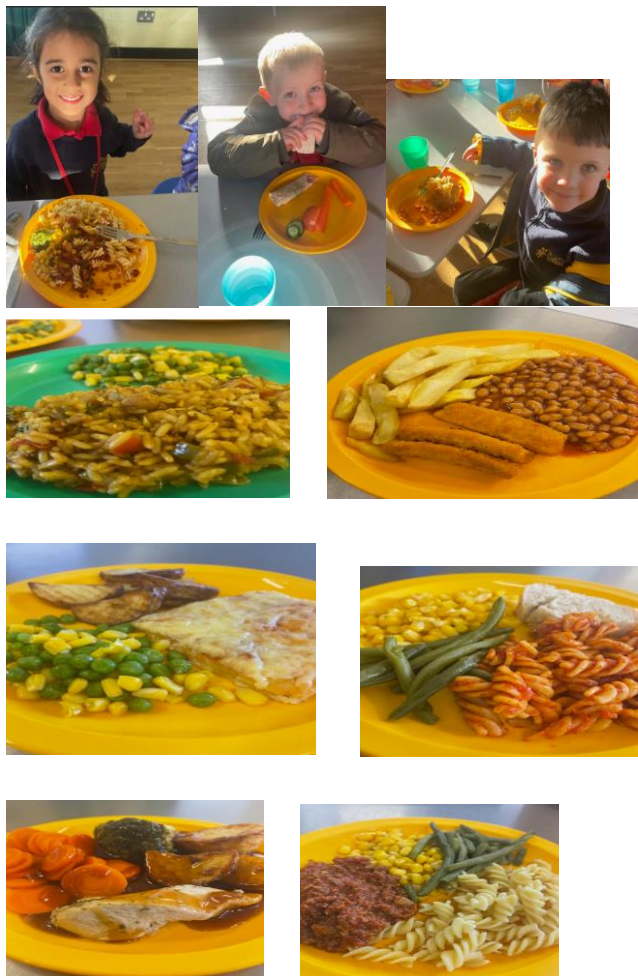
This years Quiz and Curry night is on Friday 21st March. More details to follow!

without stabilisers or get onto chapter books, it would be good to hear.

We have been asked to share some photos of the food the children are offered at lunchtime to help you get a picture of what school lunches are like. As you know, the menu is on a three week cycle and has a variety of dishes that we have found to be popular to children. The 'staples' are 'meat-free Monday' pizza, 'fish finger Friday' and a roast on Wednesday. Below is a selection (it was tricky for me to capture a plate before someone had begun eating!).

Perhaps some children's goal for the year will be to try some of the different menu options available?

Click [here](#) for more news on the FHIS webpage:



Thank you to everyone that has been making an extra effort to have children in school by the 8:50 register deadline. We know mornings are a busy time,

particularly with coats and gloves to manage, but a settled start to the day is vital to set things off on the right foot.

I look forward to seeing you in the playground bright and early on Monday morning!

Have a great weekend.

Kind Regards,

Gemma Fricker

Photos and information about what has been happening in classes, the learning plans as well as important messages from teachers are all found in the class blogs ([click below](#))



Important Messages:

Trust news:

CST Parent/Carer Newsletter for January linked [here](#)

New Term parent support offer:



FREE 4 Week Group

Parenting Puzzle

A parenting group for parents of children aged 0 - 5 year old, run by qualified staff at your local Children's Centre. This group is for adults only.

Workshop 1: Understanding Children's Behaviour, Listening and Communication, Praise and Encouragement

Workshop 2: Praise and Guidance vs. Criticism, Child-led Play and Positive Discipline

Workshop 3: Boundaries and Parenting Styles, Time to Calm Down, Dealing with Stress and Conflict

Workshop 4: Choices and Consequences, Behaviour to Ignore, Putting the Puzzle Together, Looking after Ourselves

Children who Zoom
8th February 13th February 7 - April

Register your interest here: www.bristolparentinggroups.com

If you would like further information or to register your interest directly then please call us on 07721 311 497 or email parenting@bristol.gov.uk. If you have any queries about your interest, a member of the team will be happy to help. We will make every effort to ensure a suitable location for you (in person or virtual options available).



Bristol Family Hubs

Bristol Parenting Groups

- Are you pregnant or a parent of a 0 - 8 year old?
- Would you like to add ideas and skills to your parenting toolbox?
- Would you like to develop more confidence in your parenting?
- Would you like to understand your child better?

FREE group for parents at Bristol Centres

Your parenting toolbox:

- Listening
- Time
- Praise
- Empathy
- Connection

Scan here to find out more and register your interest

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nbcc Bristol City Council EBC South Bristol

Just released are the latest parenting courses the [Bristol Family Hubs](#) team offer for parents/carers with children ages **0 – 8 years**. These courses are run by expert facilitators and Family Support Workers who are based at Children's Centres across the city and run on a rolling basis, throughout the year.

These parenting courses are FREE and are all universal – any parent/carer can attend.

Please follow the [links](#) to see the 4 courses in these posters in more detail.



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Southmead Children's Centre
BS16 5PR

29th January – 26th February
9.30 - 11.30am

Register your interest here: www.bt.ly/BristolParentingGroups

If you would like further information or to register your interest already, then please call us on 0752332487 or email parenting@bt.ly. Once you have registered your interest, a member of the team will be in touch to find the best time for you to attend or virtual option available.

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FREE 10 Week Group

The Nurturing Programme

A parenting group for parents of children aged 2 - 8 years old, run by qualified staff at your local Children's Centre. This group is for adults only.

- Understanding why children behave as they do
- Recognising the feelings behind behaviour (ours and theirs)
- Exploring different approaches to discipline
- Finding ways to develop co-operation and self-discipline in children
- Learning the importance of looking after ourselves

Filton Avenue Children's Centre
BS7 0DL
7th March – 23rd May
9.30 - 11.30am

Register your interest here: www.bt.ly/BristolParentingGroups

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Inconsiderate parking:

One of our neighbours on Park Grove has already been in contact to say that people are parking over their driveway at drop off time. Please model the school value of to your children by parking in a considerate way, even if this means parking further away.

To book breakfast club, after school club or sports enrichment click [here](#). To see more enrichment opportunities visit our [extra-curricular clubs page](#).

Breakfast Club

Weekdays 8.00am – 8.45am



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