



St Nicholas C of E Primary School

September 22nd 2017

Term: 1

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Mrs Smith's Message

Many thanks to all of you who have attended the 'introduction to the year sessions' that the teachers have been running. We hope you have found them useful.

A number of disappointed and cross parents have approached me regarding parents smoking and using bad language outside our gates and on the paths along the school route past the church. Please could I request that you are considerate to the health and wellbeing of the children and consider them when making choices about where you choose to smoke and the language you are choosing to use around them.

You will have seen in the news about how difficult the financial situation in our schools is. We are very fortunate that unlike many other local schools we have not had to make redundancies and we continue to be well resourced, however our budget is now very tight and we cannot rule out being in that situation in the future. We try to do everything we can to maintain the levels of resources and staffing but we need your support in this. The staff are currently very busy costing trips for the WHOLE year so that you have a full picture of what the trips are going to cost and can plan your money accordingly. The budget is not going to stretch to paying for school trips and workshops so I would ask that you really try to save for these trips so we are able to take the children. Reluctantly we will have to cancel trips that are not fully funded by yourselves, we just don't have the money to pay for the trips out of the school budget.

I have been asked by the Local Authority to go and support a struggling school. I will be going to do this for two days a week. When I am not in school Mrs Biss will be the 'Acting Head'. I will remain contactable at all times and Mrs Biss will keep me up to date on any problems that I need to deal with. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.
Have a lovely weekend.
Nicki Smith

Class Attendance

Avon	99.6%
Kennet	99.1%
Frome	99.1%
Yeo	98.5%
Tone	98.1%
Dart	98.0%
Severn	97.5%
Somer	97.4%
Mells	90.5%

Please ensure your child arrives on time everyday—we will be taking action against parents whose children are persistently late.

House Points

This week is KS2 only

Foxcote	-	115
Huish	-	107
Tynning	-	84
Ludlow	-	57

Save the Date

Please make a note of the following dates:

CLASS SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERS DUE BACK TO SCHOOL - MONDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER.

Tues 26th September 3:35pm-5:30pm:

- +Severn/Kennet/Tone Welcome Meeting
- +Year 5+6 Rounders @ Peasedown

Wed 27th September 3:35pm-5:30pm:

- +Yeo Welcome Meeting

Thurs 28th September:

- +9:00am: KS1 Harvest
- +2:15pm: KS2 Harvest

Friday 29th September:

- +Y3 to Bath Literature Festival

Tues 3rd October:

- +Book Fair
- +Y6 to Bath Literature Festival

Wed 4th October:

- +Y1 to Bath Literature Festival
- +4:30pm-6pm BANES Cross country

Harvest Service

28th September: 9:00am: KS1 Harvest - **2:15pm:** KS2 Harvest

Our Harvest Assembly will take place in the school hall, all parents/careers are welcome to attend. We will again be supporting the Somer Valley Foodbank. This charity provides 3 day emergency food parcels to families and individuals in crisis.

Please help feed local people in crisis by bringing in items from next Monday to Friday such as: Milk (UHT or Powdered)/Long life fruit juice/Sponge pudding/Tinned Meat/Tinned Soup/Tea Bags/Pasta Sauce/Rice/Pasta/Cereal/Instant Coffee/Instant Mash/Tinned Fruit/biscuits etc. Thank you!

Reception and Car Park

The office is open from 8:45am-4:00pm/3:30pm on Friday.

Parents are asked to drop off children, and then visit the office. There is also the school communication book.

We would also like to remind parents that between **3:15pm and 3:45pm** everyday and **2:45 to 3:15 on Fridays** there is a 'no car movement restriction' in the car park. The gates are locked and no cars can enter or leave during this time.

Outside School Achievements



Jenifer - Yr 2 - Trampolining Certificates x2!

TAMZEN

Before and Afterschool Childcare (Term time only)
Monday - Thursday - 8:00am-8:45am
3:30-5.45pm

Friday 8:00am-8:45am
3:30-5.45pm

For 0-12 Year olds
Tamzen is run by fully qualified, Ofsted registered and experienced childminders Tammy and Zena.
For more information or to register for a place please e-mail: tamzen826@gmail.com
Or call **Tammy: 07971379358** or **Zena: 07790067065**

School Photos

The Tempest School class photos from the end of last year are due back to school on Monday!

Also, the next individual school photos will be taken on the 3rd of November.

FUNdraisers

The fundraisers will be selling ice creams, each Friday afterschool until half term, weather permitting.

Thank you, Corinna (Fundraiser)

A Time To Talk



In each class ask your child about:

Frome/Tone: Can you spot anything beginning with a "S" or a "P"?

Somer: Can you write all the number bonds to 5?

Avon/Mells: How many different numbers can you make from the digits 3/5/7.

Kennet: What is Kente Cloth and what is it used for?

Yeo: Can you describe the "Frog method" for subtraction?

Severn: Which different ways can you use to learn your

Mobile Phones



Reminder:

No mobile phones are to be brought to school.

Thank you.

CLUBS

We have made some adjustments to the times of a few clubs as seen below. We have also added a new club below!

CLUB	CLUB LEADER	DAY	TIME	PRICE
NEW CLUB				
Glee Music & Drama Club	Leah Brady	Wednesday	3:35pm-4:15pm	£5 Max - 20
CHANGE OF CLUB TIMES				
Computer Club 1/2	Mr Low	Tuesday	3:35-4:30pm	FOC Max -12
Running Club 3/4/5/6	Miss McAvoy	Tuesday	3:35-4:30pm	FOC Max - 30
Art & Craft Club 5/6	Mrs Biss	Tuesday	3:35-4:30pm	£5.00 Max - 15

Class Awards

Star of the week

Maths Magician

Wizard Writer

Tone

Kyrell

Ethan

Lucas

Somer

Elijah

Milo

Harrison

Dart

Joseph

Henry

Regan