



St Nicholas C of E Primary School

September 29th 2017

Term: 1

Newsletter: 4

Dear parents and carers,

Another busy week at St Nicholas with lots of welcome meetings and both the KS1 and KS2 Harvest Festivals.

Thank you to all of those parents and carers who attended the Harvest celebrations. We really hope you enjoyed the poems, songs and raps performed by the children as part of the services. These services do not happen without lots of hard work from both the children and the teachers. Therefore, it was disappointing to see so many parents talking during the service, texting on phones and it was hard to hear some of the performances and talks over the noise in the audience. A number of parents had to be spoken to by staff. We enjoy having parents in for events and sharing the children's work so we do not want to stop everyone from attending events. However, if anyone continues to talk and text in services then they will be asked to leave. Please can parents also take noisy children outside so that they do not disturb the event for everyone else. We want everyone to join in with celebrations with us and it is a shame that these are ruined by a few.

Just a reminder, Sharon will be finishing next Thursday, and will be off for the remainder of term 1 and term 2 but will hopefully be back with us in the New Year.

Also, remember that **data collection forms need to be returned by Monday**. Thank you to everyone who has already handed them back in.

Have an enjoyable weekend.
Mrs Kirsty Biss

Class Attendance

Kennet	98.6%
Severn	97.5%
Tone	97.0%
Yeo	95.4%
Dart	94.7%
Somer	93.9%
Mells	92.4%
Avon	91.3%
Frome	86.8%

House Points

Foxcote	45
Huish	43
Ludlow	42
Tynning	40

Save the Date

Please make a note of the following dates:

Tues 3rd October:

- +Book Fair **Starts**
- +Y6 to Bath Literature Festival

Wed 4th October:

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

Thu 5th October:

- + School Census
- + **1:30-3:30pm** Yr 4 - Maths Challenge @King Edwards

Mon 9th October:

- + Book Fair **Ends**

Fri 13th October:

- + Yr 2 Parent Event

Fri 3rd November:

- +School Photos

Census Day Free School Meals

As you are aware all of the children in reception, year 1 and year 2 are entitled to a free school meal every day. What you won't be aware of is that **the school is not paid for all of these meals unless your child has a meal on census day!** The school is paid for meals based on the average number of children having school meals on these days – this means that if 50 children have a meal on census days but 100 children have meals on the other days we only receive the money for 50 of the children taking the meals each day! This has cost our school approximately £10,000 this year (more than a teaching assistant costs us.) Think how much equipment we could have bought with that money! The next census day is on **Thursday 5th October 2017**. On that day we will be booking every child a meal who is entitled to one and offer it to your child. If you are worried that your child will not eat the lunch please feel free to send a packed lunch as well. If they don't eat their lunch we will offer them the packed lunch – if they do they can take their lunch home for tea!

On census day the choice for dinner will be the option for Friday of Fish and Chips or Pasta bake and Friday will be the option for Thursday of Roast Pork or Quorn Fillet and stuffing.

School Office

Just to remind you the school office is open from **8.45am-4.00pm Monday to Friday**. You can text the school mobile on 07967129409 to report a child absent or choose option 1 on the school landline. Please write any messages for the teacher in your child's home/school book.

All correspondence and payments e.g. dinner money, trip money, swimming money, data collection forms etc. should come to the office VIA THE CLASS REGISTER TRAY. Please send payments in a sealed envelope with your child's name on, clearly stating what the payment is for. **DO NOT** send in more than one trip or student per payment! We are not a bank, and cannot give change on demand. Thank you

Outside School Achievements



Please don't forget to bring in any outside school achievements to present in the assemblies at the end of the week!

A Time To Talk



In each class ask your child about:

(YR) Frome/Tone: Can you find out about an unusual pet?

Tone (Yr1): Find out some facts about spiders.

Somer: Can you say any human or physical features around the house?

Dart: Can you name any features of a castle?

Avon/Mells: How many different coins do we use in the UK?

Kennet: What does "looking back through rose tinted spectacles" mean?

Yeo: Why were some foods rationed in WW2?

Severn: How do you add or take away fractions?

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**

After School Clubs

Picking up your child after clubs. If your child is doing a sports club, please pick up from the sports field.

All other clubs—Please wait OUTSIDE the main entrance, the teacher running the club will bring them out to you.

Please do not wait inside the reception area. If it is wet outside we will open the door into the community hall.

Book Fair/Poetry Day

The Bath Children's Literature Festival runs 29th Sept-8th October. A timetable of events is also available at:

<http://bathfestivals.org.uk/childrens-literature/>

There are lots of interesting events to take your child to out of school hours. Somer class are looking forward to going on a meet the author event on Wednesday 4th October! The Book Fair is coming to school Wednesday 4th-9th October after school in the school hall. Don't forget that any books bought at the book fair give us points to buy free books for school (We brought lots of new books for school this way last year).

Mobile Phones



Reminder:

No mobile phones are to be brought to school.

FUNdraisers

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

Thank you, Corinna (Fundraiser)

Class Awards

	Star of the week	Maths Magician	Wizard Writer
Avon	On	Trip	
Mells	On	Trip	
Kennet	Connor	Morgan	Abi
Yeo	Abi	Sheldon	Zara
Severn	Lauren	Kayci	Sammy