



Newsletter 33
Thursday 5th June 2014

Dear Parents,

We would like to start this week's newsletter looking forward to the new academic year in September, and also welcoming our new members of staff. Staff placement will be as follows:-

Class Name	Class Teacher/s	Year Group	Curriculum Responsibility
SH - Bumble Bee Class	Miss Samantha Honeybell	Reception	Foundation Stage Leader, PHSE, Citizenship
VC – Butterfly Class	Miss Victoria Collins	Reception	
NJ	Miss Natalie Jupp	Year 1	
RH	Mrs Ruth Hayden	Year 1	Art & Music
SEH	Miss Sophie Hansford	Year 2	ICT
ED	Miss Elizabeth Davis	Year 2	KS1 Leader, Literacy
PNJR	Mrs Trish Nethercott and Mrs Janet Reaich	Year 3	KS2 Leaders, Science (JR) & MFL (PN)
ES	Mrs Elizabeth Spincer	Year 3/4	Acting Deputy, Geography & Assessment
GD	Miss Gemma Donovan	Year 4	
NB	Mr Neil Baker	Year 4/5	Religious Education
NS	Mr Nathan Styles	Year 5	
AB	Mr Andrew Boyle	Year 5/6	PE
JG	Mr Jonathan Godwin	Year 6	Numeracy
	Mrs Gemma Godwin	Year 6 (Fridays)	Learning Opportunities Leader including Special Educational Needs and More Able
	Mrs Maria Newark		Support Teacher Part Time (History)
	Mrs Melissa Brook		Support Teacher Part Time (PE)
	Miss Sheila Tang		Support Teacher Part Time (Design Technology)

Steve Glavin, Chair of Governors writes ...

As Miss Elliott announces the class teacher structure for next year, it seems appropriate to update you on the strategic work your Governing Body has undertaken with regard to senior management posts at our school.

We are all aware of the financial pressures throughout our public services including schools, so it's vital we have a structure that places as much of our staffing resource as possible where it matters – with our children in their classrooms.

Our move away from being a National Teaching School gave us the opportunity to look again at our structure and compare ourselves to other schools of similar size. This review told us that we were too “top-heavy” and that a leaner senior management team would be more appropriate.

As a result, the fixed-term positions of Executive Headteacher, Head of School and Assistant Headteacher will from next year be replaced by that of Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher.

While Mr Rennie remains absent on health grounds, I am delighted to say that Miss Elliott and Mrs Spincer will continue their excellent work as Headteacher (Acting) and Deputy Headteacher (Acting) respectively.

As you know, we're saying goodbye to a number of our teachers and support staff this year as they relocate, retire, or go on to their next challenge – we wish them well.

Following a rigorous recruitment process I am delighted to say that all posts have been filled with a healthy mix of the new and the experienced. We look forward to welcoming them to Salford in September as they join our excellent team in their efforts to make our great school even better.

Congratulations to

Isla S for an award from Baskerville's for the best handstand
Eva A for passing her 'Primary in Dance' Award with Distinction
Jessica G for her Water Skills Grade 1 Award
Freddie T for his Stage 1 Learn to Swim Award
Lauren T for taking part in a Musical Theatre Workshop at The Royal High School Bath
Elleze F for taking part in a Musical Theatre Workshop at The Royal High School Bath
Scarlett C for taking part in a Musical Theatre Workshop at The Royal High School Bath

Headteacher's Award go to

Phoebe L & Beatrice B for super Tudor art and letter writing
Lilia T, Michelle T & Logan J for super work on co-ordinates
Annabelle G for a great example of a formal letter
Emily R & Josh H for always working hard in maths especially problem solving and 24hr clocks
Tom F for a great effort at keeping his work neat and tidy
Joseph M for a really good piece of science work and vocabulary

Dates for your Diary

Friday 6th June: Ascension Day Walk to Kelston Roundhill (Key Stage 2)
Monday 9th June PTA Meeting at 7.30pm in the Staff Room – ALL WELCOME
Tuesday 10th June at 1.15pm: KS2 Sports Day
Wednesday 11th June at 1.15pm: EYFS/KS1 Sports Day
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th June: Year 6 Camp
Saturday 5th July: PTA Summer Fair
Friday 11th July at 9.15am: EYFS/KS1 Summer Concert
Monday 14th July: Reports to parents
Wednesday 16th July, 7pm: St Mary's Instrumental Concert
Tuesday 22nd July: Last day of term – Year 6 Leavers Service
Please note the on-line calendar can be accessed from the school website which can be found at <http://www.salford.bathnes.sch.uk>

Year Two Singing Festival

On Wednesday our Year 2 children went to St Keyna School in Keynsham along with other schools for our annual singing festival. Each school presented their own special song to the other children and we sang a whole variety of fun and action songs. The children thoroughly enjoyed their morning and I would like to thank all the parents who very kindly came along to help. Thank you also to the Year Two staff for organising this opportunity for the children.

Big Sing Festival

On the last day of term all the Year 3 children went to Newbridge School for a 'Big Sing Festival'. Together with Year 3's from other local schools the children sang a selection of songs they had rehearsed at school and listened to each group perform their own song choice.

Our children performed and behaved beautifully and were a credit to us. Hopefully following the success of this festival it will be repeated next year. Thank you to Mrs Reaich for organising this.

Mrs Danson writes ...








To round up our Year One Science topic on Minibeasts, members of Class SEH have enjoyed a visit from a local veterinary nurse, whose personal hobby is the keeping of some of the more unusual minibeasts. Our visitor showed fascinating aspects of the life-cycles of arachnids and insects to Class SEH - we mustn't spoil the surprise for class SH (whose visit is next week) so we won't name the animals. Class SEH saw the sloughed skins of a variety of insects, were set a challenge to identify other minibeast-related objects, and had the opportunity, if they chose, to hold or touch some of the animals. All the children of Class SEH were engrossed throughout the visit. Thank you to Janine Fletcher for your fascinating talk and demonstration.



Health and Safety Weeks Summer 2014

During this last term, all the EYFS, KS1 and KS2 children will be learning about different ways of 'Keeping Ourselves Healthy and Safe'. It is a wide ranging area and many aspects of this learning is already embedded in the curriculum planning throughout the year through discrete PSHE lessons, Science lessons, Circle Times, Anti Bullying Week, e-safety week etc.

To enhance their learning I have organized a range of activities from outside agencies and services. The activities will be age appropriate and also fun, with the serious aspects delivered sensitively.

 <p>People who help us EYFS</p> <p>Children will be meeting parents and other adults to come to talk about their occupations, such as Police officers and Physiotherapists. At the end of term we will be borrowing Avon and Fire Rescue 'ELF' resource bag, specially selected for Reception children.</p>	 <p>Key Stage 1</p> <p>Our School Nurse will be in to help us learn about Safety and Medicines at home .</p> <p>Teams from Avon Fire & Rescue will visit classes to help children learn how to keep themselves safe from fire in an age appropriate activities, and have a close look at a fire tender.</p>
<p>Key Stage 2</p>	
 <p>On Thursday June 5th Years 3 and 4 will have a bike safety session in the playground with Jim Imeson . Some children may remember him as the ' The Bike Man" who made a video of a 'Bling your bike' event. So all those children need to bring their bikes (or a scooter if not) and helmets to participate.</p>	 <p>On Tuesday 24th and Weds 25th June Years 3,4 and 5 will have a session about smoking from another member of the School Nurse Team. It's called 'Ready, Steady ,Cook! ' and quite unpleasant smells are involved. This will be in addition to other Health and Safety lessons from their teachers.</p>
 <p>Year 5 and Year 6</p> <p>We are arranging a 'Crime and Consequences' session later in the term from the Avon Constabulary- a timely follow up after Y6 Life Skills training.</p>	<p>Parent information evening</p>  <p>E-safety on the internet run by PC Louise Stapleton (look out for an additional letter from Miss Davis) Our school Digital Leaders will be helping to run two after school sessions for parents .</p>
 <p>Key Stage Assemblies</p> <p>The RNLI will also be involved by volunteer Richard Lyons delivering a 'Safety on the Beach' talk during this term.</p>	

Please contact myself or your child's Class Teacher if you have any questions.
 PSHE Co-ordinator Mrs M L Butler

Class and Team Photos

You should have now received a proof of your child's class photograph. If you would like to purchase the photo, please return your order form to the school office by Wednesday 11th June, when they will be collected by the courier. Thank you.

Vacancy for Clerk to Governors

We have a vacancy for a Clerk to Governors from September 2014. As Clerk to the Governing Body, you would be required to attend all meetings of the full governing body, and provide accurate minutes of the meetings. If you would like further information regarding the role please contact Mrs Rogers for further details.

KS1 & KS2 Sports Days

Next week we have KS2 sports day on Tuesday and EYFS/KS1 on Wednesday from 1.15 - 3.15pm. We will be offering refreshments in the form of tea, coffee and squash - and if it is nice, ice lollies (which will also be available for the children to buy at the end of the day once they have finished their sports day!)

The forecast is looking good and those of you there last year will recall it was very hot and everyone would have appreciated a drink. The refreshments will be set up outside so no one will miss out on watching their children's races.

Key Stage One/Early Years Sports day

Our annual sports day will take place next Wednesday the 11th of June. The school gates will open at 1.15pm and you are all most welcome to come and cheer your children on! We will also have a parents/siblings race if you would like to join in with our sports day activities! The races should finish by 3pm, children should return to the classrooms with their teacher at the end of the event. Children should be collected as normal from their classrooms. We look forward to seeing you next week!

Year One enjoyed an exciting and informative visit from Red Watch of the Brislington section of the Fire Brigade. They learnt about the importance of not playing with matches, how to dial 999, and all the jobs the Fire Brigade do. If you don't know how to put out your clothing should you find your clothes alight, then Year One are now the people to ask! As for water power – they learnt all about fire engines and the tremendous force of water from a hose!



Tiddlers Pre-School Open Morning

Saturday 7th June 10am – 12 noon

Come and see our outstanding Pre-School and meet our friendly staff

Project Wild Thing at Arnolfini - Friday 13th June 3pm to 6pm

Parents 4 Play and Playing Out have created a **new Urban Wild Play Trail** for families to take part in around the Harbourside! You can pick this trail up from the Arnolfini on Friday 13th June 2014 between 3pm and 6pm. Suggested donation 50p. Play your way around the Harbourside whilst discovering what urban nature you can find. Great for children of all ages! And something you can do again and again! Get some urban Wild Time!

You can also come along to a **community screening of Project Wild Thing at the Arnolfini** on Friday 13th June at 4pm, suggested donation £2 – children welcome. An inspirational film hoping to reconnect children with nature:

Filmmaker David Bond is a worried man. His kids' waking hours are dominated by a cacophony of marketing, and a screen dependence threatening to turn them into glassy-eyed zombies. Like city kids everywhere, they spend way too much time indoors - not like it was back in his day. He decides it's time to get back to nature – literally.

Fundraising Events at Saltford Hall

Local Talent Night - Friday 13 June from 7.30pm

A local talent night is being held on Friday 13 June at Saltford Hall in Wedmore Road from 7.30pm. Tickets are just £3 each and there will be a licensed bar selling real ale and hot food available to purchase on the night. An Evening of non stop and varied music performed by local up and coming instrumentalists and singers performing solo and in groups. This evening is a chance for many local children to perform in public, with the support from local band Nosy Parker, who will showcasing many of their own songs and appearing at the Keynsham Music festival on 6 July.

Call the booking office on 01225 874081 for tickets or e-mail events@saltfordhall.co.uk or visit Saltford Post Office.

Country Market - Saturday 14 June 10.00 - 3.00pm

The annual Country Market is now fully booked by stall holders who will provide an amazing display of artifacts to tempt and delight! The plant stalls should be very popular, there will be gifts to suit every occasion and mouthwatering pickles and chutneys sweets and cakes.

The Community Association will be providing a range of stalls at the market and would welcome any donations of plants, garden related items, books, cakes, toys, bric a brac, nearly new items and anything appealing - please leave behind the bar at Saltford Hall.

Entrance is absolutely free and this event has proved hugely popular in past years not least because of the smell of Newton Farm bacon butties wafting through the Hall from the Country Café which will be open throughout.

Family Fun Day - Saturday 21st June, 12.00 - 4.00pm - OPEN TO EVERYONE

Team Bath host their family fun day at the Sports Training Village, University of Bath and North East Somerset A special appearance from Tractor Ted, including bouncy castle, digger den, a pet's corner and the real Tractor Ted himself. The day will be packed with activities demonstrating the range of sports and fitness facilities hosted at the STV and the benefits of healthy living.

Take part in our annual Olympic Day Run – 5km run (3km U16's)

Try an exciting range of activities absolutely FREE:

Mobile climbing wall and zip wire

Athletic coaching sessions

Badminton

Judo

Trampolining

Hockey

Tennis coaching sessions and much more!

Summer Theatre Arts Workshop

18th – 22nd August at Saltford Hall

Run by Lucy Ratnett and Jo Browne

For further details please email lucyratnettdance@live.com

Community Art Trail

This year as part of the community Roundabout Art Trail which takes place in Keynsham and its surrounding villages we are putting on some Art Workshops for children aged 6-16. These Workshops are taking place in Chandag Junior School on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th June. More information is displayed on the school noticeboard.

And finally...

Thank you to all parents who have donated to our 'Keep Saltford Swimming' fund. We would be very grateful to receive any further donations.

