

Friday 23rd September 2016

Our Christian Value for the term: Generosity

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Dear Parents

The Year 6 children have had a fantastic time at Morfa Bay – I am sure you are delighted to welcome them home! Thank you to all the staff who went: Mr Meadows, Mrs Cartledge and Mrs Lee. I know you will join me in expressing your gratitude for the time they have given up this week to make the residential a great experience. Apparently they had a surprise visit from Mr Welch too!!

Please can I remind parents that if you drop your children off on the playground before 8.45 you need to stay with them to supervise them. It is lovely that the children are so enthusiastic about coming to school – we just need to make sure they stay safe on the playground before the teachers come out on duty. Thank you.

We will be holding a meeting for parents in the school hall at 6pm on Wednesday 5th October. This will be an opportunity for us to explain our new handwriting policy and expectations for homework. It is relevant to all parents. Please come along if you are able. It shouldn't last any longer than one hour.

Mrs Woolley

School Diary

27 th September	Wake & Shake 8.40-8.50am	14 th October	Last Day of Term
		7 th November	Parents Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm
29 th September	School Photos	9 th November	Parents Evening 4.00pm – 7.00pm
4 th October	Grab a Crown up 8.40-8.50am	6 th December	KS1 Evening Performance 6pm
5 th October	Presentation 6pm, on Handwriting & Homework	7 th December	KS1 Afternoon “ 2.00pm
7 th October	PTFA School Disco	16 th December	Last day of Term

K-Nex Challenge Workshop



On Wednesday morning the year 5 children took part in the K-Nex challenge workshop in school. They were asked to design and construct a vehicle that could save a person from a burning building or plane. The children worked in pairs to create their designs, demonstrating perseverance and good teamwork skills.

‘It was challenging but fun and I really enjoyed it!’ said Anna W.

‘The challenge was really tricky but we did it in the end!’ commented

Michael C. ‘It was fun to see what everyone else had built,’ said Hannah S.

Well done to all our budding engineers!

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Bristol City Museum and Art Gallery Yrs 3 / 4

On Wednesday 21st September children in Years 3 and 4 stepped back in time when they explored the Ancient Egypt Gallery at Bristol City Museum and Art Gallery.

We enjoyed a workshop, led by the museum staff, where we had to match the artefacts to the correct places using the diary entries of Amelia Edwards who was a journalist, traveller and Egyptologist from Bristol.

I had a great time. I liked pushing a button and watching a mummy being unwrapped. I saw his skeleton. (Kayden)

It was fascinating and we learned lots about Egypt. The canopic jars were much bigger than we expected. (Chloe S and Eva)

Finding out about Ancient Egypt was very interesting - The artefacts helped me understand what it would be like to live in ancient Egyptian times. (Poppy)

I had a really good time at Bristol Museum. My favourite part was seeing a real skeleton from the Egyptian time. I also found the detail on the sarcophagus very interesting. I would love to visit the museum again one day. (Phoebe)

A fantastic day of learning - many thanks to the parents and grandparents who came with us.

School Photo reminder

A letter went to parents this week, regarding the annual individual school photo. If you **do not** wish to have your child's photo taken, please send in the signed slip or contact the school office.



You can also find a copy of the photo letter on our website via the following link:

<http://www.stmarystetbury.com/the-office/letters>

PLEA from KS1 and FS for wet playtimes

Reception/KS1

We are looking for any unwanted toys, games or jigsaws in good condition that we can use for wet playtimes. Please send in with your child.

Many thanks,
KS1 & FS staff

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KS1 & EYFS

Please do not put your child's water bottle in their book bag - we have had a few water damaged books already this term where the drinks leak.

Thank you

Parents Evening

The parents evening dates are as follows:

Monday 7th November 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Wednesday 9th November 4pm - 7pm

An email will go out to parents when the slots become available to book online

Mathletics -  School Mathlete of the Week: Gareth Estavillo
Class Mathlete of the Week:

PLUM	Mateo T
PEAR	Eliza M
HOLLY	Kara S
JUNIPER	Noah
MRS WILSON	Liana H
MISS STEMP	Gareth
MRS ROYLE	Jesse V
RC Maths Group	Kyle T
RD/CW Maths Group	Niamh T
MM Maths Group	Harry G

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Clubs

Faith Explorers - Now Full

Session date reminder this term:

- Wednesday 5th October
- Wednesday 12th October
- Wednesday 2nd November
- Wednesday 16th November



Community News

Save 'n' Borrow

Would you like to save for Christmas? If so paying in regularly to Save 'n' Borrow could be for you. Open every Thursday afternoon at the Council Offices from 2 till 4. Save 'n' Borrow is run by the community for the community and covered by the Financial Services Authority and fully insured - so your savings are safe! Alternatively, if you need to borrow, for Christmas with all its expenses or for any other reason, then we can loan you money at very low interest rates – far lower than pay day loan companies. We not only lend responsibly but we make small loans which banks probably would not consider. Give us a try!

Vaccine Update/Reminder

To give your child the best protection against Measles, Mumps and Rubella a child needs two doses. This is because the vaccine does not always work fully the first time. Therefore if your child has not had a second MMR as part of pre-school vaccines, I would encourage you to do this now by contacting your GP/Practice Nurse. Children in year 1, 2 & 3 are also eligible for flu vaccine this year.

Further information can be accessed from the following website

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/vaccination-schedule-age-checklist.aspx>

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Should your child have a Flu Vaccination this Winter?

A **FREE** flu vaccination is advised for:

ALL aged 2, 3 and 4 at 31st August 2016 (DOB 1.9.11 to 31.8.14)

ALL School Year 1 or 2 or 3 (DOB usually 1.9.08 to 31.8.11)

ALL age 8+ (DOB before 1.9.08) who are 'Clinically at risk'

ALL who live in a family where someone is immunocompromised

By having the flu vaccination, children are also less likely to pass the virus on to friends and family, some of whom may be at greater risk from flu if they are an infant, an older person or someone with an underlying health condition

If your child is in any of these groups, you are encouraged to **book for the nasal Fluenz vaccination at your Registered GP surgery.**

For those registered at **Romney House Surgery**, the main **Fluenz Clinic** appointments are during the **Half Term weeks** from **Monday 17th to Friday 28th October**, however if you cannot make these Fluenz Clinic times please state that when you ring and ask for an earlier or later date with a nurse.

NB. If you do **not** want them to be vaccinated this year, it is still important to contact your GP surgery to **decline** vaccination.

See the NHS Choices website for more detail on vaccinations:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/child-flu-vaccine.aspx>

BEATING OF THE BOUNDS

Saturday October 1st – meet under Bath Bridge at 9.30am. There will be Refreshments and display of work from St Mary's School in the Market Hall. Presentation of Accounts.

All Welcome, The Feoffees of Tetbury

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The AGM was held on Tuesday after general discussions the Committee has now changed and is as follows Chair (Due to no nominations)- Claire Smith phasing out by Christmas (Handing over) Deputy Chair -Katie Hill, Secretary Vikki Watson Treasure job share Steph Defoe and Kim Wood . Lou Sheppard will be taking on the media roll.

Standing Down is as follows Katie Hibbitt (thankyou for all your hard work) and Sarah Elliott we would like to thank them for all their hard work .

School Discos are as follows -Friday the 7th October/Friday the 3rd of October/ and the 19th of May.

The Christmas Fayre will be on Friday the 9th of December.

If you would like to be on the PTFA please feel free to speak to any of the above thankyou.