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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break. I hope you and your family had an enjoyable two weeks. This term has got off to a great start for our children – especially Year 5 who have arrived in the Forest of Dean for their adventurous residential trip!

New school email address

Please note our new email address above. By the end of this week, the school 'Bathnes' email account will be closed and we will not be able to access emails sent to this address. Please now use our new email address: office@bsm.bwmat.org

Year 6 SATS

Year 6 SATs will take place from Monday 14th to Thursday 17th May. Please help your child by ensuring they get enough sleep during the important week - thank you in advance! Our children always seek to do their very best and achieve the highest standard. We will do all we can to minimise any unnecessary anxiety and help our children do their best and celebrate their special talents and skills in all areas of the curriculum!

Year 2 SATs

Year 2 SATs will take place from Tuesday 8th to Friday 11th May. These SATs will be part of normal classroom practice and the children won't be told anything different! The dates are purely to ensure parents avoid any possible clashes that may affect attendance e.g. medical appointments (unless really urgent!)

Our Easter Service

Thank you to the many parents and visitors who attended our Easter Celebration Service on Friday 23rd March. It was a lovely way to celebrate the message of Easter and finish our term as a school community. The end of year Leavers Service is due to be held at 1.40 p.m. on Thursday 19th July at St. Mary's Church.

Welcome to...

A warm welcome to Oliver in Year 1 who has joined our school. We hope you will be very happy here!

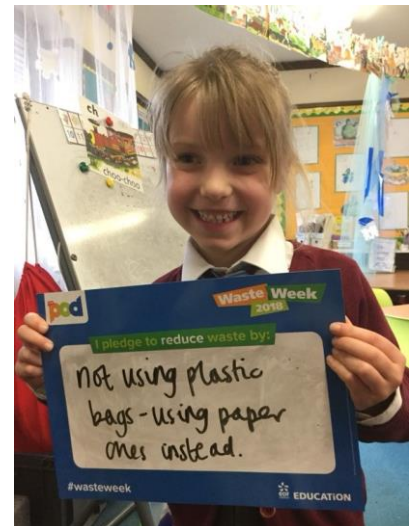
An allergic reaction in March

In the last week of term, one child suffered an allergic reaction to a nut product sent into school. Fortunately the child did not require hospital treatment and was feeling well again soon after the reaction, but the potential severity of the situation serves as a reminder to us all to please ensure the school remains a nut free zone. We do have several children who are **seriously allergic to nuts**. In order to protect our children please **do not bring or send any food containing nuts into school**. Thank you.

ECO week 2018

Thank you to Miss Farrar who organised our recent ECO week. The busy and informative week was enjoyed by all of the children who had the opportunity to take part in over eight workshops in mixed age groups.

We learned about subjects ranging from biodiversity on our school grounds to plastic waste in the oceans. We hope that the learning has continued at home and the children have been inspired to look into your food waste and plastic waste as many of the staff have!



Congratulations to Abigail (Y2) and Tomas (Y6) who were winners of the ECO week competition. Their entries and the runners up can be seen on the ECO week display in school.

Our new bike and scooter shelter

As promised in late 2017, work is underway on our new bike and scooter shelter. Over the Easter break the base was laid ready for the construction of the shelter. The storage racks have been removed in preparation for further work during the summer. Children are able to keep their equipment in the area before it is finally complete. We were grateful to receive a grant from Ward Councillor Funding of £2350 towards this work.

'New' school uniform

Michael Hope has begun work to incorporate a small change to the current logo design on school clothing to reflect our status as an academy school with Bath and Wells MAT. Please be assured, there is no expectation or need to buy uniform with the 'new' logo.

For children already at the school:

- when ordering uniform, any existing stock with the current logo will be sold first, then replaced by the new logo designed over time
- please do not request the 'new' logo design - thank you.

For parents of children due to start Reception in September 2018:

- all new uniform will have the 'new' logo design
- where children have older siblings, we are very happy children use 'hand me downs' with the current logo design – we do not wish to add to cost of uniform where it is unnecessary to do so
- For non-uniform items (book bags, backpacks and PE bags), some will have current logo design and some will have new – there is no requirement to have the new logo design

Uniform 'flash sale'

Michael Hope has agreed to reduce the cost of some items of clothing to clear surplus stock.

- Jumpers in sizes 26 and 28, now £10.00
- Cardigans in sizes 26 and 28, now £11.00
- T shirts in sizes 3/4 and 5/6, now £2.75

Please contact Michael Hope to order these by going to www.michaelhope.co.uk

Summer Uniform

A reminder that children can now wear summer uniform. Please wear black shoes and not sandals as shoes offer the best protection for the day-to-day activities and playtimes in school. Thank you.

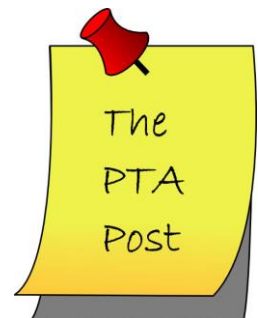
Please turn over for Term 5 and 6 dates for the diary...

Music at Bathwick

I am pleased to share with parents that Mrs. Bradley has agreed to continue at Bathwick for two days a week until July 2019 in a music tuition and teaching role. She will continue to lead the Choir, Ensemble and Recorder groups that so many of our children enjoy!

The PTA Post

Please come along to the PTA QUIZ NIGHT on Thursday 19th April at 8pm in the School Hall. Tickets can be bought in advance from class reps or from Annabel Merrylees, or on the night. Tickets are £5 each including a glass of prosecco / wine. We are looking forward to an entertaining and successful fundraising event.



Low immunity danger

Sophie (Year 4) is receiving medication for juvenile idiopathic arthritis. Similarly to **Fabienne** (Year 2), her immunity to a variety of illnesses including Chickenpox, Measles, Mumps, Shingles, Slapped Cheek and Scarlet Fever can put Sophie at **serious risk**. Fabienne's immunity still remains compromised putting her potentially at **serious life-threatening risk**. If your child becomes ill - and in particular with one of the illnesses listed above - then please ensure that you let the school office know as soon as possible. Thank you.

Infant entrance to school

Often in the morning it can be congested and a long wait for the infant children to enter the school building, which leads to a loss of learning time. Please can children now line up **outside of the door they exit at the end of each day** ready to be greeted by their class teacher. Miss. Farrar and Miss. Kane will be at their doors by around 8.45 a.m. and Mrs. Rigby as Deputy will be available outside from around 8.40 a.m. so parents are able to share any urgent information that teachers need to know that day. Teachers of course will make themselves available as much as possible at the end of the school day for other conversations with parents. We will close the classroom doors as soon as the last child has entered at 8.50 a.m. This will hopefully ensure a much quicker and more effective system at the start of the school day.

Gardening help

Are you able to help us and spend a few minutes weeding our front roundabout garden? Following the work done last year to develop the area, it would benefit from a weed! Please let Miss. Delatour (Year 1) or the office know if you can help. Thank you.

Dates for the Diary

Week	Day	Events
Term 5		
Week 1 April	Weds 11	Year 5 Deanfield Residential
	Thurs 12	Year 5 Deanfield Residential
	Fri 13	Year 5 Deanfield Residential
Week 2 April	Mon 16	Year 5 Art visitor for Bath Festival
	Tues 17	9.30-12.00 Year 5 Music Festival
	Weds 18	Reception to Sydney Gardens
	Thurs 19	3.30 Parents Year 6 IOW meeting QUIZ NIGHT – PTA 8.00 OWL Adventures Year 5
Week 3 April	Tues 24	9.30-12.00 Year 5 Festival Music
	Thurs 26	Clare Beautyman in Year 5/6 SRE Year 2 OWL Adventures
	Fri 27	3.30 Y4 Magdalen Parents meeting PTA Cake Sale
Week 4 May	Tues 1	10.00-10.30 Somerset Cricket Assembly to Infants
	Weds 2	Newsletter
	Thurs 3	Year 4 to Royal Crescent 9.15-2.00 Year 1 OWL Adventures
Week 5 May	Mon 7	BANK HOLIDAY
	Tues 8	KS1 SATS Week 9.30-12 Year 5 Music Festival
	Thurs 10	OWL Adventures Reception
Week 6 May	Mon 14	KS2 SATS week EGPS 2x Papers
	Tues 15	READING Paper
	Weds 16	MATHS Papers 1 and 2
	Thurs 17	MATHS Paper 3 OWL adventures Year 4
	Fri 18	Mufti for Royal Wedding Year 5 Bath Abbey Festival
Week 7 May	Mon 21	'TAKE ONE' Week
	Thurs 24	Yr4-6 Eucharist @ 9.00 OWL Adventures Year 3
	Fri 25	Maths Challenge Day Mufti – PTA tombola Free choice Friday

Week	Day	Events
Term 6		
Week 1 June	Mon 4	Yr 6 to IOW all week
	Weds 6	Newsletter
	Thurs 7	Year 1 Sing as One Widcombe OWL Adventures Year 5
	SAT 9 th	SUMMER FAIR – ALL WELCOME!
Week 2 June	Mon 11	New Reception Induction
	Tues 12	New Reception Induction
	Weds 13	New Reception Induction Year 6 Pilgrim Day Wells Primary Parliament
	Thurs 14	OWL Adventures Year 6 Year 5 Blacksmithing - 12.30-2.30 Year 2 Bath Rec 1-2.45
	Fri 15	INSET Day – No children in school
Week 3 June	Mon 18	INSET Day – No children in school
	Tues 19	NSPCC Assemblies
	Weds 20	Year 4 to Magdalen Year R to Chew Magna Community Farm NSPCC workshops Y5 and Y6
	Thurs 21	Year 4 to Magdalen OWL Adventures Year 2
	Fri 22	Year 4 to Magdalen
Week 4 June	Tues 26	Year 4 to Bath Rec 1.00-2.45
	Weds 27	KS1/Yr3 Collective Worship 9.00
	Thurs 28	OWL Adventures Year 1
	Fri 29	PTA Discos
Week 5 July	Mon 2	LAST WEEK FOR ALL CLUBS
	Tues 3	Yr R and Y3 Profiling
	Weds 4	Newsletter Yr 2 and Yr 6 Profiling
	Thurs 5	Yr 1 and Yr 4 Profiling OWL Adventures Year R Year 5 to KES
	Fri 6	Y5 Profiling
	NO MORE CLUBS	
Week 6 July	Mon 9	NO MORE CLUBS
	Weds 11	Sports Day (morning)
	Thurs 12	9.40-12.00 Y6 Lifeskills OWL Adventures Year 4
Week 7 July	Tues 17	Year 6 show to whole school and parents – Roper Theatre
	Weds 18	Newsletter
	Thurs 19	Leavers Service
	Fri 20	Free Choice Friday