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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break and a bank holiday weekend. This term is in full swing with classrooms and corridors alive to the sounds of laughter and learning! Year 5 have already enjoyed a fantastic residential to Dean Field Studies Centre in the Forest of Dean. Thank you to Mr. Jackson, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Falzoni and Mr. Alford for giving up their time with family to take our children away on this experience. Especially after the period of lockdowns, the residential experiences for Years 4, 5 and 6 are so important in developing children's confidence and resilience as they prepare for their next stage of education. Look through the newsletter for some great photos!



THANK YOU - Easter Service

The last day of term 4 was a joyous celebration of Easter at St. Mary's Church. Thank you to so many parents and carers who were able to join us as we were able to 'formally' welcome Year R and Year 1 to Bathwick and present them with their own Bible. Our Choir of almost 50 children in Years 5 and 6 were in fine voice and performed to their usual high standard. It was also great to hear a fantastic song from the Year 3 and 4 musical 'Plastic Pirates' as well as many other children involved in different ways. Thank you and well done to all!

Farewell to Miss. Walker and Mrs. Hayes

We are sorry to share that **Miss. Rachel Walker** will be leaving Bathwick at the end of this academic year. She has been a wonderful teacher and member of the team here and we are sorry to see her move on but delighted for her as she moves on to new challenges. She will be taking up a teaching post in an international school in Madrid and we wish her all the very best for the future! This week we have interviewed for a new teacher to



teach in our infant team and will share information in due course.

We are also sorry to lose **Mrs. Sarah Hayes** from our team at the end of next week. She has been a wonderful part of Bathwick since 2017, most recently in Year 6, and we wish her all the best in her new challenges.

Welcome to...

A very warm welcome to Isabella in Year 3, Rocco in Year 1, and Ellie in Year 4 who have all joined us recently! Another warm welcome to Liubov who will be joining Year 3 on Monday. Welcome as well to Mrs. Jayne Benton who is joining the Year 2 team on Monday next week. We hope all children, families and new staff settle in quickly and are very happy here!

Christian Value Award Champions – Spring Term

Every long term, one child in each class is nominated by their peers for living out our Christian Values. One child is declared the overall champion for each value. Congratulations to our champions for the Spring Term:

- **Respect:** Earl, Year 6
- **Joyfulness:** Betsy, Year 3
- **Fairness:** Lea, Year 1
- **Love:** Mia K, Year 4
- **Forgiveness:** Adam, Year R
- **Perseverance:** Honor, Year 2

Well done to all our children who regularly demonstrate these important Christian values in their daily lives!



Environmental awareness and strategy



It has been great to see the re-emergence of the FLAG group recently, already brimming with ideas! Another area that the school began work on before Covid struck was understanding our role and responsibilities around the environment - something we know our children feel strongly about. It is important that the school

has the energy of our parents as part of the school community as it moves forward in this. **We would really like to hear your ideas and suggestions and how you could support the school and our children.** Please contact the school office with the subject header "Environment" if you would like to attend an open session to learn more and contribute to this important issue. Thank you in advance.

Covid update

At the time of writing, we are very pleased to have no known cases of Covid-19 in school. The current Government guidance is as follows:

- Any adult with a positive COVID-19 test result is advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious.
- For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice is **three days**.

Most children aged five and above will also be offered the COVID-19 vaccine shortly. Vaccinations will take place in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GPs and walk-in centres. Parents of 5-11 year olds will receive a letter from the NHS with further information. [Online bookings](#) for 5-11 year olds are also available.



Thank you to the FLAG group and all those who supported the cake sale last week. We raised £250 for the Disasters

Emergency Committee – their current two appeals seek to raise money for Ukraine and Afghanistan.



Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

Look out for exciting plans for marking and celebrating the Queen's Jubilee. More information will be shared shortly, but please 'save the date' – **the afternoon of Friday 27th May** is planned as a special school community event!

Fruity and Freezy Friday

Weather permitting, most Friday's after school will be a Fruity / Freezy event. If you would like your child to enjoy a smoothie or ice lolly, please bring change for these! Thank you for your support of the PTA.



Summer picnics at Bathwick!

Children are really enjoying the new school menu this term. The summer menu is designed to enable children to on occasions enjoy a picnic meal outside and we look forward to these starting on different days as the weather warms up! We continue to ensure all food meets the stringent food standards. Almost all food is cooked from scratch using fresh ingredients and complemented by a full salad bar. For example, the sausage rolls and chicken and bean burgers are all made from scratch by our kitchen team. Children (and staff!) choose from the well-stocked salad bar which includes carrots, peppers, sweetcorn, olives, tomatoes, cucumber and other vegetables and salads.

A reminder that if your child brings in their own lunch that we have children in school who have **life-threatening allergies to nuts, sesame seeds, and products containing sesame** (sesame can be found on or in a variety of food, including on rolls, bread, oil, hummus). We take all our children's safety extremely seriously and as such there is a **school wide ban on nuts and sesame products** (this includes bringing snacks after school for your children or during clubs time). Thank you for your continued vigilance.

In addition, all snacks brought into school should be healthy – children should not be bringing in unhealthy snacks such as sugary chocolate bars or crisps. Thank you for your support.

Privacy Notice

Please note in line with DfE requirements we have updated our Privacy Notice [here](#).

Donations needed in Reception Class!

We are in the process of developing an investigation shed in our outdoor area and are in search of the following items. Do you have any of the following you no longer need and would be willing to donate to the Reception Class?



- Nuts and bolts - any size and condition!
- Screws
- Binoculars (do not have to be fully working)
- Old technology which we can take apart (for example old laptops, landline handsets)
- Tape measures
- Small Spirit levels
- Small hammers



Please pass any donations to one of the Reception or Office team. Thank you!

Term 5 Dates for the Diary	
May	
6	FLAG Group 8.00 a.m.
9-12	Year Six SATS Week
11	Year 5 SRE with Clare Squires
12	No OWL this week
13	Y6 to Little Theatre and picnic in Sydney Gardens
16	Year 3 Greek Day
19	OWL Year 6 Year 6 SRE with Clare Squires - Session 1
23	B&NES Primary Y5/6 Girls Cricket Tournament
23-27	Y3 swimming week 1.00-2.00 p.m. daily
26	OWL Year 2 Year 6 SRE with Clare Squires - Session 2
27	Jubilee Celebration – afternoon event

Term 6 Dates for the Diary	
June	
6-10	Year 6 residential to the Isle of Wight AND: Y3 swimming week 1.00-2.00 p.m. daily
6	Year 5 – Carnival Art workshop all day.
10	FRIDAY 10 TH - OWL Year 4 (changed from Thurs 9 th)
16	OWL Year 6
17	INSET Day – no children in school
20	Reception Class to Community Farm, Chew Magna
22-24	Magdalen Farm Year 4 Residential
23	OWL Year 5
28	9.00 Eucharist with Fr. Peter for 4/5/6.
July	
1	Evening PTA ‘Colour Disco’ event School Reports Out
9	SATURDAY 9 TH JULY – BATH CARNIVAL Year 5
11	Last week for most clubs (only cricket on 19 th)
13	Sports Morning + picnic lunch at KES playing fields
20	Leavers’ Service 1.30 p.m. St. Mary’s Church
21	Last day of academic year

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Summer Term 2022 Bathwick Menu

WEEK	MEAT FREE Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1: Weeks beginning: 25th April, 16th May, 13th June, 4th July.					
Option 1: Main Meal	Three Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake	Roast Chicken	Homemade Free Range Sausage Roll	Breaded Chicken Fillet in a floured Bap	Jumbo Cod Fish Finger
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Roasted Butternut Squash and Rosemary Risotto	Plant Based Cottage Pie	Cheese, Onion and Potato Roll	Vegetable and Bean Burger in a floured Bap	Red Lentil, Chickpea and Spinach Curry
All of the above served with	Garlic Bread Slices Grated Carrot and Cucumber	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Fresh Vegetables and Gravy	Buttered New Potatoes Sweetcorn and Baked Beans	Jacket Crispers Mixed Salad Bar	Oven Baked Chips Beans Peas
WEEK 2: Weeks beginning: 3rd May, 23rd May, 20th June, 11th July.					
Option 1: Main Meal	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Roast Gammon	Chef's Beef Bolognaise	Nacho Chicken Grill	Battered Cod Fillet
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Veggie Sausage and Mixed Bean Casserole	Broccoli Cheese Bake topped with a Herby Cheese Crust	Chef's Vegetable Bolognaise	Quorn Nacho Grill	Vegetable Nuggets
All of the above served with	Herby Diced Potato Mixed Salad	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Fresh Vegetables and Gravy	Penne Pasta Fresh Salad Bar Fresh Bread	Fluffy Rice Mixed Salad Bar Fresh Bread	Oven Baked Chips Beans Sweetcorn
WEEK 3: Week beginning: 9th May, 6th June, 27th June, 18th July.					
Option 1: Main Meal	Veggie Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce	Roast Turkey	Beef Burger in a floured Bap	Summer Picnic Day Ham or Tuna Baguette	Jumbo Cod Fish Finger
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Macaroni Cheese	Roasted Vegetable and Lentil Loaf	Breaded Quorn Fillet in a floured Bap	Summer Picnic Day Cheese or Egg Baguette	Cheese and Cherry Tomato Tart
All of the above served with	Mixed Salad Bar Fresh Bread	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Fresh Vegetables and Gravy	Mixed Salad Bar Homemade Coleslaw	Fresh Fruit Carrot or Cucumber Sticks Cake or Yoghurt Bottle of Water	Oven Baked Chips Beans Sweetcorn
Served Every Week					
Option 3: Alternative Meal	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Farm Assured Ham with Chips
Dessert	Oaty Biscuit Fresh Fruit Organic Yoghurt	Ice Cream Fresh Fruit Organic Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit Organic Yoghurt	Chocolate and Banana Sponge Fresh Fruit Organic Yoghurt	Fruit Mousse Fresh Fruit Organic Yoghurt

Any child with food allergies or intolerances will be offered an alternative Main Course and Dessert to meet your child's needs. All the meals are served with milk or water.

Bathwick St. Mary School Term and Holiday Dates – **2021-2022**

NO HOLIDAYS SHOULD BE TAKEN IN TERM TIME

AUGUST 2021						SEPTEMBER 2021					OCTOBER 2021								
M		2	9	16	23	30	M		6	13	20	27	M		4	11	18	25	
T		3	10	17	24	31	T		7	14	21	28	T		5	12	19	26	
W		4	11	18	25		W	1	8	15	22	29	W		6	13	20	27	
TH		5	12	19	26		TH	2	9	16	23	30	TH		7	14	21	28	
F		6	13	20	27		F	3	10	17	24		F	1	8	15	22	29	
S		7	14	21	28		S	4	11	18	25		S	2	9	16	23	30	
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NOVEMBER 2021						DECEMBER 2021					JANUARY 2022								
M		1	8	15	22	29	M		6	13	20	27	M		3	10	17	24	31
T		2	9	16	23	30	T		7	14	21	28	T		4	11	18	25	
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SU		7	14	21	28		SU	5	12	19	26		SU	2	9	16	23	30	
FEBRUARY 2022						MARCH 2022					APRIL 2022								
M		7	14	21	28		M		7	14	21	28	M		4	11	18	25	
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MAY 2022						JUNE 2022					JULY 2022								
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Inset Days:	(Children not in school)
Bank holidays:	(Children not in school)

The 22/23 academic year begins for children (1st and 2nd September are INSET days) on **Monday 5th September 2022.**

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The 23/24 academic year begins on Monday 4th September 2023.