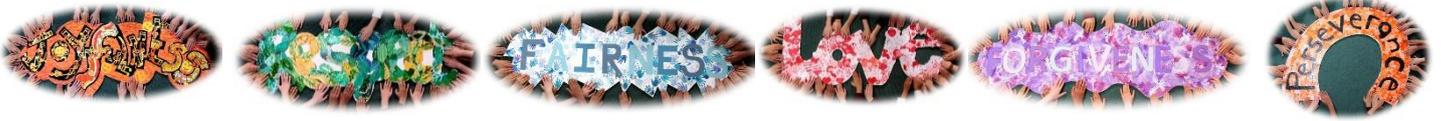




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LEAVERS NEWSLETTER: JULY 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year Six leavers

We start by celebrating seven fantastic years at Bathwick for our Year Six leavers. Huge thanks to Miss. Bowman and Mrs. Herron who staged the superb Year 6 Show, [‘The Witches of Oz!’](#) (Click on the link to enjoy the video!) Thank you to Ian Tomlinson for the great photographs, some of which are through this newsletter. Our parents, carers, staff and children were certainly amazed by the wondrous performance. Not only did everything come together for a spellbinding show but each individual really shone. We are extremely proud of all their achievements and know they will go from strength to strength as they move on to their new schools! It was also wonderful to celebrate with so many parents and carers at our Leavers’ Service yesterday. Thank you to everyone who played a part in the Service and helped make it a truly memorable time for our Year Six children and families. Thank you for kind donations to school and Cancer Research – we raised £139.02.

Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to join us at the annual Sports Morning. We enjoyed the very warm weather and several new races to make the morning memorable. Thank you to Mrs. Williams who organised the whole event!



Our Year 4 children were great ‘Waste Warriors’ as they recently toured many local areas safely collecting litter from our local streets.



Christian Value Award Champions

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. I am pleased to announce our champions for the Summer Term:

- **Respect:** Thomas, Year 2
- **Joyfulness:** Joseph, Year 3
- **Fairness:** George, Year 4
- **Love:** Clemency, Year 5
- **Forgiveness:** Zeno, Year 1
- **Perseverance:** Abigail, Year 6

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

School playground update



Thank you to everybody for your support with fundraising for the next stage of the playground project. Work is progressing well and we look forward to seeing some of the exciting developments in September. It is expected that work will continue during the Autumn term.



Cricket Year 5 and Year 6 finals!

The brilliant Year 5 cricket team who represented the school at the Sulis Club B&NES tournament were Ben, Edie, Emily, Evelyn, Frederick, Joseph, Josh, Kason, Lola, Max A, Max W, Oliver. The team write:

So far this year cricket has been great. We have done lots of work on bowling and fielding. Recently we took part in the cricket tournament and came second. We won every game that we played although the semi finals were very close and we only won by three runs. In the finals we sadly got unlucky and lost by 14. However, it was super fun that we got to the finals and improved while we were there. I would really recommend Cricket Club because it is 100% fun and you improve so much!



Congratulations to our super **Year 6 Cricket team** who came third in County Championships recently! The team (Archie, Carter, Charlie, Dylan, George, Harry, Hugo, Luca, Saud, Seb, Sonny, Zack) write:

After an hour and a half drive from Bath we played our first game. Tom said they were the best team he had ever seen and they absolutely thrashed us! In the next game we batted amazingly well and got the total of 78. The last game of the group stages included brilliant batting, bowling and sportsmanship. We won by 60 runs. The next game was against St Andrews which we won. In conclusion after a rough start we brought it back and because of the losses early on he came third overall! we would like to thank Tom Baker who came all the way just to help and support us!



Wraparound Care – bookings open for September

Our Wraparound Care service continues to operate successfully, providing on-site childcare from 7.30-8.50 and at the end of the school day to 17.30. There are no planned cost increases for 22/23. The booking for 22/23 is [available now on iPAL](#).

Lunch menu from September

Our new menu is below. It continues to provide each child with a nutritious, hot and tasty and meal in the middle of the day. **There are no planned cost increases for 22/23.** Term 1 dinner money will be £94.50 for Junior children (it is free for all Infants), payable via ParentPay.

If you know your child will be absent from school due to illness or any other planned absence, please make sure you cancel booked meals which will not be required. From September, the office staff will no longer cancel meals, therefore if you do not cancel meals on days your child is absent you will be charged. All Infant meals are currently free, but it would be really appreciated if parents could ensure these meals are also cancelled to prevent food wastage. Meals can be cancelled up to midnight the night before.

If your child does not have a school meal booked and does not have a packed lunch with them, the office staff will book a school packed lunch for your child. A charge of £2.70 will automatically be deducted from your ParentPay account. If you do not have enough funds in your account, please ensure this charge is paid or the system will automatically delete the last meal booked to cover the packed lunch not previously paid for. Thank you very much for your support.



Once again, my thanks to all our families for your support this term and year. Thank you for the many cards and gifts that have been so generously shared with our staff team. To those parents, carers and children who are leaving us this July we wish you every success for the future! For those who we will see again on **Monday 5th September**, we look forward to the continued strong partnership for the new academic year.

May I wish each and every one of you a restful and enjoyable summer.

With best wishes, Kevin Purkiss

Our Staff Leavers' Comments

MISS RACHEL WALKER My sisters and I each spent seven happy years as pupils at Bathwick, which is when I first realised what a special school this is. My time as a child here resulted in many games of 'playing schools' with my grandma where she would pretend to be the pupil in the class and I would pretend to be a teacher at Bathwick...this dream later became a reality! It has been an absolute honour to return



to Bathwick as a teacher and I have loved every minute of it. I have learnt so

much from Mr Purkiss' leadership and the fantastic teachers I have worked with. I feel so lucky to have met so many lovely children and families while working here. Teaching abroad at an international school is something I have always wanted to do, and now is the time to take that step. Bathwick is a very special place that I will always remember, and I will forever cherish the happy memories of teaching here.



MRS KAREN BEGG 3 years ago, my husband who is in the RAF, came home with news that we were being posted to MOD Corsham. As a military family we were used to moving around the country with this being our 8th move. We dutifully packed up our home in Norfolk and moved to Wiltshire. I was lucky enough to get a Teaching Assistant position at Bathwick St Mary Primary School and...apart from the car parking!...I have loved my time here. Bathwick St Mary is a very special school community with fantastic staff and children. As we now prepare to move back to Norfolk, I leave feeling thankful that our time in this beautiful part of the country has been filled with such treasured memories. Thankyou Bathwick St Mary, you will always hold a special place in my heart.



MISS LEANNE PLANK: It has been amazing to work at Bathwick St Mary's school for the past two years, it is a truly special place and one that I will miss very much!

MRS ROSI LEWIS I have loved my time at Bathwick St Mary and am very sad to be saying goodbye. I will have completed 3 academic years working at this lovely school by the time I finish this week, as I was employed as a one to one TA at the start of Y4, in September 2019. It has been a pleasure working with all the children, watching them grow in independence. On top of that, I have been teaching, co-delivering some teaching materials to the key worker children during covid and also sharing my passion for languages, teaching French to last year's Y5, and this year to Ys 3,4 &5. It has been a joy getting to know many of the children across the school. I have been so inspired by the whole teaching team at Bathwick, and I can honestly say that it is second to none. The level of commitment, professionalism and kindness of every team member is inspirational; I have learned so much from them all and am glad to count them as friends. I was especially glad to have been able to help out at the Y6 Leavers' Show, which felt like an amazing Grand Finale to our time here! Every child shone and I will remember them all with real fondness, as well as my time at the school. Good luck Y6 and happy holidays to all!



MR MATTHEW CRAINE It has truly been a blast being able to have spent the past year at Bathwick, I have absolutely loved spending time with many of your wonderful children and getting to know such lovely characters, I will dearly miss the laughter and fun of working here, I would also like to say a massive thank you to the amazing staff here who welcomed and supported me better than I could have imagined! I wish all the best to the pupils and staff for the future, Thank you!

Our Year Six Leavers' Comments



SCOUT My memories at Bathwick go something like this... going on the coolest trips, having the residential of my life, meeting people who become my besties, and most of all seeing the people around me smile (a lot which is great). The teachers are probably most memorable part because of the time and effort they put into us and our education!

SAUD I have loved being in Bathwick and my favourite memories were swimming in the Isle of Wight, singing on the bus, football and the Needles in the Isle of Wight and Dean Field.



DYLAN My best memories at Bathwick are being in year six, the ISLE OF WIGHT and Dean Field. I loved the geography lessons!



ZACK One of my memories of Bathwick is going to the Isle of Wight and having lots of fun there. I also enjoyed the play that we did called The Witches of Oz. I also enjoyed when we went to Dean Field because of the fun activities!

EARL Honestly, I thoroughly enjoyed everything about Bathwick and I wish I could spend a lot more time here. Year 1-6 was amazing, but I liked English, Maths, Art, Science and



P.E the best. I also really loved the Isle of Wight. :-D

HUGO Some of my favourite memories at Bathwick has been Dean Field and Isle of Wight but I was very sad to miss Magdalen. I have loved all of our plays that we do every year. I have also loved all the Sports Days although I have not done many!



LEILA The amazing and beautiful trip we had to Victoria Art Gallery, it was astounding, all the pieces were marvellously creative and it made me smile. My next favourite was definitely The Isle of Wight. We had so many great adventures there like: Bushcraft, the open top bus tour, the swimming pool and so many more! And my last one isn't a trip or tour of anything, but it's a famous writer... Catherine Bruton! Oh wow her books are amazing and I was shocked when I saw her, we got to write fantastic, short stories with her. It really inspired me!



FREYA. Bathwick has been one big adventure. I have really enjoyed Bathwick and I will really miss it. Some of my best memories are OWL adventures trips my friends and laughing with my best friend.



VICTORIA My favourite memories at Bathwick are going on the trip to the Isle of Wight and hanging out with my friends, having fun at OWL and going to Robin Hill. I also really enjoyed just being with my friends and having lots of fun. I will miss Bathwick very much.

BEATRICE I loved the Isle of Wight where one of my favourite places that we visited was Robin Hill. I enjoyed having P.E at KES playing fields with Tom Baker the best coach! And our Y6 show at Prior Park!

BEATRIX Everyone calls me Bea. I have enjoyed so many things at Bathwick and there are so many memories that I will always keep with me like going on all the amazing school trips, becoming a School Councillor and always being with my friends.



NED I really enjoyed the residential in Year 6 (Isle of Wight). :D I felt that this year went very quickly because it was the best year in Bathwick. :D From Reception to Year six, I really enjoyed Bathwick and I can't wait to go to Y7! :~D



ABIGAIL I have so many amazing memories of Bathwick like going to the Isle Of Wight! And doing the year 6 show - The Wizard Of Oz which we called The Witches Of Oz! I also loved going to Dean Field and I can't forget my first day of school!

SCARLETT I love Bathwick so much and I have made so many memories that I will hold in my heart forever. My best memories are the trips, my friends and laughing with my best friend.



SEBBY I've really enjoyed Bathwick my favourite year was probably year 6. I really enjoyed the residential especially the Isle of Wight. My favourite subjects have been P.E. and geography.

SONNY I've really enjoyed the Isle of Wight - I think it's the best thing that we've done in the whole of school. I've also enjoyed doing art in year 6. But the best thing has been Tom Baker cricket in PE and also after school in a club.



LUCY I loved going to the KES field every Tuesday and doing P.E with Tom Baker. It bought me a smile every Tuesday. I loved going to the cinema on Friday after SATs week and watching Encanto. I also loved going to Prior Park to rehearse and do the Y6 show .



JESS I have had lots of special years at Bathwick so thank you to all my teachers and my friends but my favourite memories are my Year 6 play because of the fun we had doing it and because of the dedication and hard work that went into it. Second of all I loved building a biscuit Stonehenge in year 3. Third was Pirate Day in Year 1 so thank you Bathwick for all my amazing memories!

CARTER The time I had at Bathwick was really fun and I wish I could stay a bit longer as I joined in Y4.



ARCHIE This year I have enjoyed PE because we go to the KES field with Tom Baker. In school I have enjoyed OWL adventures because we get to have marsh mellows and have a lot of free time.

CHARLIE I enjoyed Tom Baker Cricket. I really enjoyed all the fun stuff we did after SATS. P.S. don't worry about SATS



FABIENNE My favourite memory is playing with my friends in the playground. I loved playing basketball.

PIETRA My best memories in Bathwick are going to have to be the Isle of Wight, Dean Field and I really enjoyed rehearsing for the play even though in the end I couldn't come. Ooh and I loved watching Encanto at the Little Theatre.

GEORGE I've really enjoyed my time at Bathwick. I have made such amazing friends and all the teachers make all the lessons so fun!!!! I am really going to miss Bathwick yet I am really looking forward to secondary school!!!! :)

GUY Every day at Bathwick was amazing I enjoyed every bit of it and it was really fun!



CECILIA It impossible to only write three sentences of my memory of Bathwick. It is really hard to choose because there are so many to pick! I definitely loved Isle of Wight since there was so many adventures like the open bus tour , which was filled with outstanding sights and their amazing pool (it was always the right temperature). Another fab memory was a wonderful writer ... Catherine Bruton coming to our classroom to tell us about her exquisite books and gives us fun story writing practise.



HARRY I've really enjoyed my time at Bathwick from school trips to all the clubs after especially Cricket club my favourite trip was the Isle of Wight because your away for a whole week. I also really enjoyed doing the leavers play and loved having Tom for P.E.



POPPY My favourite three memories are the Isle of Wight because of all the activities and all of the things we got to do. My favourite memory was in the infants when we did Pirate Day because of all of the treasure hunts and all of the things to do. My last memory was making new friends and getting to know other people.

ZARA Bathwick has been so much fun, but my favourite memories are Isle of Wight, Dean Field, The Witches Of Oz, First day of School, Pirate day, OWL adventures. But most of all experiencing one big adventure.



ELLA-SOFIA My best three memories of Bathwick are being with my friends, going on exciting trips such as the Isle of Wight and learning new things from my teachers.

MIAH My three memories of Bathwick would be the Year 6 play, going to Dean Field in Year 5 and the Isle Of Wight in Year 6. I have my amazing teachers and friends to thank for this.

LUCA I loved all the residentials especially the Isle of Wight. I loved going to the Forum to see Cressida Cowell. It was such a shame we missed so much time because of Covid.



Autumn Term 2022 Bathwick Menu

WEEK	MEAT FREE Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1: Weeks beginning: 5th Sept / 26th Sept / 17th October / 14th November / 5th December					
Option 1: Main meal	Three Cheese Macaroni Topped with Leeks	Roast Chicken	Homemade Beef Pastitsio	Homemade Sticky BBQ Pork	Jumbo Cod Fishfinger
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Tomato and Cheese Pasta Bake	Cauliflower Cheese	Quorn Pastitsio	Sticky BBQ Quorn	Vegetable Nuggets
All of the above served with	Garlic Bread Slices, Homemade Coleslaw, Salad Bar	Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Fresh Vegetables, Gravy	Peas and Carrots, Fresh Bread	Fluffy Rice, Broccoli	Oven Baked Chips, Beans and Sweetcorn
Week 2: Weeks beginning: 12th Sept / 3rd October / 31st October / 21st November / 12th December					
Option 1: Main Meal	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Roast Turkey	Homemade Sausage Roll	Beef, Vegetable and Tomato Bake with a Herby Crumb Topping	Battered Cod Fillet
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Vegetable and Five Bean Enchiladas	Red Lentil and Vegetable Bolognese	Homemade Cheese and Onion Roll	Roasted Vegetable and Tomato Bake with a Herby Crumb Topping	Cheese and Red Onion Quiche
All of the above served with	Potato Wedges Salad Bar	Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Fresh Vegetables, Gravy	New Potatoes, Peas and Baked Beans	Salad Bar	Oven Baked Chips, Beans and Sweetcorn
Week 3: Weeks beginning: 19th September / 10th October / 7th November / 28th November					
Option 1: Main Meal	Cheese, Tomato and Basil Pinwheels	Roast Gammon	Homemade Chicken Curry	Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding	Jumbo Cod Fishfinger
Option 2: Vegetarian Meal	Vegetable Lasagne	Plant Based Cottage Pie	Vegetable and Red Lentil Dahl	Veggie Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding	Savoury Muffins
All of the above served with	Herby Diced Potato, Salad Bar	Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Gravy	Fluffy Rice, Broccoli Fresh Bread	Mashed Potato, Peas and Sweetcorn	Oven Baked Chips, Baked Beans and 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	Fruity Flapjack Fresh Fruit, Organic Yoghurt	Ice Cream, Fresh Fruit, Organic Yoghurt	Fruit Jelly, Fresh Fruit, Organic Yoghurt	Fruit Sponge with Custard, Fresh Fruit, Organic Yoghurt	Ice Cream 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.

Term and Holiday Dates – 2022-2023

NO HOLIDAYS SHOULD BE TAKEN IN TERM TIME

AUGUST 2022						SEPTEMBER 2022					OCTOBER 2022							
M	1	8	15	22	29	M		5	12	19	26	M		3	10	17	24	31
T	2	9	16	23	30	T		6	13	20	27	T		4	11	18	25	
W	3	10	17	24	31	W		7	14	21	28	W		5	12	19	26	
TH	4	11	18	25	TH	1	8	15	22	29	TH		6	13	20	27		
F	5	12	19	26	F	2	9	16	23	30	F		7	14	21	28		
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SU	7	14	21	28	SU	4	11	18	25	SU	2	9	16	23	30			
NOVEMBER 2022						DECEMBER 2022					JANUARY 2023							
M		7	14	21	28	M		5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30
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W	2	9	16	23	30	W		7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25	
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FEBRUARY 2023						MARCH 2023					APRIL 2023							
M		6	13	20	27	M		6	13	20	27	M		3	10	17	24	
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MAY 2023						JUNE 2023					JULY 2023							
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School Term Dates:		
Holiday Dates:		(Children not in school)
Inset Days:		(Children not in school)
Bank holidays:		(Children not in school)

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