



## FROM THE HEADTEACHER...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today has been a delightful Harvest Festival, it was wonderful to see so many of you join us in church and then again for harvest lunch.

As we near the end of this term the planning is already underway for next which promises to be a very busy term indeed.

**Sarah Joskey**  
Headteacher

## CLASS NEWS!

**Reception** We have been busy outside. We are particularly interested in the caterpillars, which live in our garden. Some of us have been holding them and looking at their patterns, colours and shapes.

**Year 1** Following on from our farm trip Year 1 have been learning all about Harvest time. In science we have been sorting and classifying animals according to their diet.

**Year 2** Year 2 have had fun playing with verbs this week! Ask us to tell you a sentence with a great action verb! We have also been challenging our partners with a greater than/less than game as well as preparing our presentation for the Harvest Festival!

**Year 3** Year three have been busy preparing for the harvest service this week, we have been thinking about acts of kindness.

**Year 4** Following our RSPB trip last week, we have now taken flight into our class text 'King of the Birds', by Helen Ward. We've also started learning about Impressionism in Art, and have been rounding to 10, 100 and 1000 in maths. In RE we have been learning about Fair Trade, and have written a rap to share at Harvest service!

**Year 5** Class 5 have been adding and subtracting using column method as well checking our answers using the inverse. I have thoroughly enjoyed watching the class learn to make mistakes and learn from them whilst also preparing for any next steps they may need!

**Year 6** Year 6 have been working on using the bar model as a way solving questions in maths. In English we have been looking at complex sentence structures as well as story structures for well-known stories.

## KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN TERMS 1 & 2

### **October**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – PTA AGM 8pm, School Hall  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 trip to Bath  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Y5 Class Service 9am  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Parent consultation evening  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Parent consultation evening  
23-27<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term Holiday  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – INSET

### **November**

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov - PTA Fireworks, Wington Rec  
(details in the PTA section)

### **December**

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> December - School Christmas Fayre

## CERTIFICATES AWARDED

### **Year 4**

Well done to Jacob Slough, who has completed his times tables certificate  
Ben Osmond - Class Chess Award and Football Star!  
Harry Gillard - Star of the Week

### **Year 2**

Excellent progress in their Bonds and Badges:  
Albie Cross, Jack Holway, Alice Housley, Katie Ledbury  
15 children achieved a 'Gold' award in the spelling  
11 children received Reading Merits

## HARVEST

Thank you to everyone who donated produce today. We hope those of you who stayed for the service enjoyed it as much as we did!

Thank you to Mrs Holroyd for taking the items collected to Clevedon Foodbank – a whole boot full!



Final thanks must go to Mrs Grant and Mrs Barrett for their sterling work in the kitchen today preparing the delicious soup that we all enjoyed. It was wonderful to see all the children enjoying their lunches.

## COATS AND WELLIES FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6!

Please ensure your child has a coat and a pair of wellies in school every day. We go outside on the school field in all weather conditions and it is important that the children have the correct clothing in order to keep warm and healthy.



## THOUGHTS FROM MRS JOHN, R.E LEADER

Year 3 have been looking at seeds. We have grown cress to garnish our harvest lunches and have learnt about the Parable of the Mustard Seed and how even very small things can have a very big effect on us all.



## PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE WEEK





## PTA News

All parents are invited to the PTA AGM on [Monday 9th October at 8pm](#) – School Hall

**PTA – Fireworks – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, Wington Rec**

(ticket requests sent home today)

The annual PTA fireworks display will be held at the rec on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. As usual a huge amount of fireworks have been ordered and will light up the sky at 6.45pm. Gates will open at 5.45pm and we'll be selling Hot Dogs and doughnuts and the bar at the pavilion will be open. Order forms for tickets will be sent home in the next few days. You can pay on the gate but you'll save money if you order tickets in advance.

**Christmas Fayre – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

*STOP PRESS STOP PRESS..... PTA Film Night coming soon... STOP PRESS STOP PRESS*

**School Library – open every Monday 3.15pm – 3.30pm – come along with your child.**

### Music



If your child has guitar lessons with Mr Furlong please try to put a keyring or a piece of ribbon onto their guitar case to identify it. When you are looking for one 20 black guitar cases all look the same!

### ATTENDANCE

Overall attendance last week:  
96.56%

Well done for first place to:  
**Year 1 – 98.62%**

### LOOKING AHEAD:

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**  
Individual & sibling photos  
(further details to follow)

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
Whole School Panto trip

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
Whole School Christmas Lunch  
(further details in due course)  
Christmas Jumper Day  
(all children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on this day for a donation of £1 which will be sent to Save the Children)

### PGCE Trainee Teachers

We would like to offer a warm welcome to Katie Nash and Sapphire Serjeant, trainee teachers from Bath Spa University, who will be staying with us until February. They will be based in Class 4 and Class 6, but will no doubt be visiting all classes, offering their support, sharing their skills and learning from our wonderful children and staff. We wish them all the best on their placement with us.

### LETTERS HOME

PTA Firework ticket requests  
Raise the roof  
Clubs Oct-Dec

eldest & only  
Y3 & Y4  
Rec-Y6

### Reading Best Practice

On Tuesday evening our staff meeting was held at Banwell Primary School, where we met with teachers from other local cluster schools to share planning, strategies and ideas in order to encourage a passion for reading, as well as to help children develop secure decoding and comprehension skills. We were able to share our new comprehension resources, reading records, reward systems, buddy reading groups, as well as our new Butterfly/Bookworm readers and assessment tools. It was a really interesting evening, where we could share best practice, celebrate all that we do, and also pick up some ideas and tips from other schools along the way!

### BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic book fair will be open for the final time tomorrow, **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October** at 3:30 in the hall.. There are over 200 titles for you and your child to choose from, and with prices starting from only £2.99, there's sure to be a book for everyone. We look forward to seeing you there.