



Cathedral Primary School Newsletter

No. 5 – January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

This term has had a busy start with the children quickly settling back into their learning routines. There is always much excitement as they begin a new term when the children are keen to find out about their new topics.

Year 1 have already been to the docks for some observational drawing as part of their '*Bobbing along in Bristol*' topic. Year 4 had an inspiring visit from 'The School of Noise'. This hands on workshop allowed the children to explore noise and the science of sound. Reception are looking forward to their Circus Skills workshop. I am always so impressed with the creative approach and planned learning experiences that take place throughout the school and the confidence that children demonstrate when discussing their learning. Keep an eye on your child's class page to find out more about your child's learning.

All of the children began this term by telling us their New Year's Resolutions. Lots of them related their ideas to our School Values and talked about kindness and showing respect. This term in PHSE lessons the children are focusing on their *Dreams and Goals*. I was really impressed with how deeply children were able to reflect on 2017 and how carefully they have thought about their goals for 2018.

Last week Bristol Museum led an exciting assembly on Chinese New Year. During the assembly the children discovered how and why Chinese New Year is celebrated. They listened and participated in Chinese stories and learned how to count the numbers 1 – 10 in Mandarin. The Year of the Dog starts on Friday 16th February. Look out for the events that will be taking place at Bristol Museum during the half term holidays.

Next week there will be two assemblies led by Miss Bailey which will focus on 'Safer Internet' day. Copies of the Power Points used will be put on the school website. Safer Internet Day is celebrated globally in February each year and promotes the safe and positive use of digital technology for children. Safer Internet day this year is on Tuesday 6th February.

A huge thank you to all of you who took the time to complete our parental questionnaire. The analysis of this questionnaire will help us to evaluate our performance, acknowledging our successes and helping us to identify what we need to improve. We will share the key areas for developments in the School Development Plan for 2018 / 2019.

As we are now heading towards the end of this term we are looking forward to the weather improving and being able to use the outdoor space in the Spring months. The plans for College Square play area are currently being developed and I look forward to sharing them with you soon.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Best Wishes, Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team



Governor Profile – Dr Will Shield



Hello, I'm Will and I am the Vice-Chair of Governors here at Cathedral Primary School. I have been a Governor since 2014 with responsibility for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

For the past 13 years I have worked in a number of school-based roles, primarily focusing on SEND and behaviour. I now work locally as an

Educational Psychologist and have a secondment to Exeter University where I am a tutor on the doctoral training course for Educational Psychologists. I also supervise doctoral thesis research and have a particular interest in inclusive education, emotional wellbeing and mental health. In my spare time I enjoy running and I'm always at my happiest on top of a ski slope!

Being part of the CPS community is a privilege and I try to come into school as often as possible. I've enjoyed seeing the school move from temporary accommodation into the library and I'm excited about seeing the school grow to full capacity over the next few years.

I'm always very happy to speak to parents so please get in touch through the school office if you have any questions.

PTA News

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone for your support of the Cake Sales this term... everything from supplying delicious cakes and treats, helping on the day and of course, buying a cake or two! All proceeds from Cake Friday go towards Forest School and we are now regularly raising around £90 per week, thank you! Next term we will continue with Cake Friday up until Easter. The rota is set out below. Please let the class reps know if you can help in any way.

The next PTA Meeting is on Monday 5th February, 7:30pm at the Victoria Park Pub, BS3. Everyone is warmly invited to come along. We will be discussing upcoming events, hear updates on the play equipment and more. We hope to see you there.

Finally, the Committee would love to share their roles out more (by way of a job share, in some cases).



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We will be sending out more information about this early next term in time for the AGM – it would be great to expand the team across more year groups. ☺

Thank you again for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you soon.

All the best, The PTA Committee.

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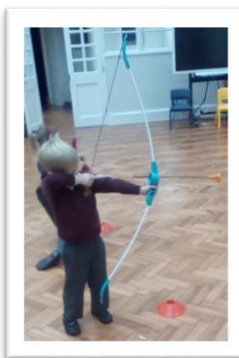
Cake Sale Rota

Friday Date	Year Group	Class Reps
23 rd February	Year 1	Laura J, Troy, Ailsa & Zola
2 nd March	Reception	Tessa and Hugh/Catherine
9 th March	Year 2	Elaine and Lucy W
16 th March	Year 3 and 4	Tara, Vanessa and Lisa S-G
23 rd March	No cake sale Easter Egg Hunt	n/a

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 1 st Feb	Year 3 Swimming Group 2
Friday 2 nd Feb	Year 1 Pirate Dress Up Day
Monday 5 th Feb	Forest School Year 3 and Year 4
Monday 5 th Feb	PTA Meeting 7.30pm Victoria Park Pub
Tuesday 6 th Feb	Reception Class Circus Workshop
Wednesday 7 th Feb	Year 3 Roman Dress Up Day
Wednesday 7 th Feb	Year 2 Assessment meeting for parents 6.30pm at school
Thursday 8 th Feb	Year 3 Swimming Group 2
Thursday 8 th Feb	End of Term
Friday 9 th Feb	Training Day – School Closed to Pupils
Monday 19 th Feb	Term Begins
Thursday 22 nd Feb	Year 3 Swimming Group 2
Monday 26 th Feb	Book Week begins at school
Monday 26 th Feb	Forest School Year 3 and Year 4
Thursday 1 st March	World Book Day. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.
Saturday 3 rd March	Stages at the Colston Hall
Monday 5 th March	Parents Evening 4 – 7pm
Wednesday 7 th March	Parents Evening 4 – 7pm
Thursday 8 th March	Year 3 Swimming Group 2
Thursday 8 th March	Cathedral Schools Trust Concert
Monday 12 th March	Forest School Year 3 and Year 4
Monday 12 th March	PTA AGM at school 2pm
Monday 12 th March	Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting for Parents 6pm
Friday 23 rd March	Sport Relief
Friday 23 rd March	End of Term
Monday 9 th April	Term Begins

SHINE



January has flown by here at Shine After School Club at CPS and Term 3 has nearly finished already! There have been a few changes during the Term which has been unfortunate for us all at Shine, our Football & Tag Rugby clubs have been put on hold until our days get lighter & the weather improves. These clubs WILL be returning though guys! You're probably wondering what clubs ARE running. Well, Mondays are Design & Create, we've made fish tanks, kites, lots of animals from paper plates &

some arty umbrellas too! Monday's also has a Cartoon Club which is a chilled out session involving lots of drawing & colouring. If you're lucky enough you may find some Lego to play with. On Tuesday's Pottery Club continues & Dance Club too with Lorna our new Dance Club coach. Wednesday's brings back sport with Dodgeball Club - a club that continues to bring in large numbers. Sketch & Paint also runs on Wednesdays, it's an opportunity for children to Paint their Pottery masterpieces or something else. We have experimented using Paints & Shaving Foam too which brought some great results. Thursdays as always is Cookery Club - a club that sells out at the beginning of every Term it's so popular! We have made pizza's, cakes and fruit skewers with chocolate to name but a few. But also on these days we have other clubs running too; Lego Club runs alongside these clubs on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays to provide lots of variety. We end our week with our Archery Club which is run on a Friday with Fun Time Friday. Fun Time Friday is a chance for children to choose what they would like to do - for instance they could go outside and play, choose a game to play, draw or play with Lego. Archery Club fills up fast too - it's been a huge success since we brought it in. I try to make sure that we have plenty of options available for each child daily. Going into Term 4 these clubs will remain the same. Once again here at Shine we have seen yet another record breaking Term with yet more children joining us which is great to see! Term 4 is online already, so to avoid disappointment book early as these clubs will fill up & sell out! Of course you can still get hold of me at:

shinesasc_cathedral@hotmail.com or 07845 421021.

Wanna hear a seasonal joke,

Q "What does a cyclist ride in the winter?"

A "An Icicle"

Jack (After School Club Manager)

Cathedral Primary School App



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