



Cathedral Primary School Community News



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A message from Mrs Yarnold

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. Hopefully we will get to enjoy lots of sunny days and be able to use the outdoors as much as possible. Year 3 had their Sports Day at the start of this week and Mr Baynton was very impressed with their teamwork skills and how enthusiastically they approached all of the activities. We continue to use Forest School weekly and are delighted that our EYFS children are using this space more regularly.

Our Term 5 Curriculum is well underway with Topics on: Under the Sea (YR), Plants (Year 1&2), a Geographical Comparison of England and Russia (Y3), the importance of the Romans (Y4), the Tudors (Y5) and Climate Crisis (Y6). Pirates, mermaids and sea creatures have been seen in abundance today in the watery depths of the lower ground floor, and last week a Roman army seemed to have appeared on the slope! Please have a look at the twitter feed if you have not seen the photos!

It has been lovely to hear a new instrument in CPS this week as Year 2 started Ukulele lessons. If you haven't listened to the piece of Jazz that Year 4 worked on have a look at the twitter feed, brilliant work! You may have seen that we are trialling "knowledge organisers" on our year group pages. These information sheets are being used in school to reference key facts and vocabulary that we would like children to have learnt by the end of the topic. Please support your children in learning these facts at home.

As we progress through this term we are hopeful that we can plan more enrichment opportunities beyond our school environment. We are really excited that next week Year 5 will be having a day visit to Deanfield Outdoor Centre. The children will have the opportunity to complete team challenges, orienteering, bushcraft and forest walks. I am looking forward to hearing about their day. Year 6 camp is still planned to go ahead after the half term break. We do recognise that these trips beyond our school setting are so important and we continue to risk assess and plan as many as possible.

This term we have continued to interview staff and are excited that we have so many people wanting to work in our school. With each post we were delighted to have a huge amount of interest and applications. We will continue to share with you new staff that are joining us through the newsletter updates. We are also very excited to let you know that Miss Edwards is expecting a baby. Miss Edwards will be with us for some of the summer term. We will be letting the Year 3 parents know when we have a confirmed finish date from Miss Edwards.

We hope that you are all keeping well and safe. Thank you for your continued support,

Best Wishes

Sara Yarnold and the CPS Team



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New Staff Spotlight

Hi - my name is Mrs Bebbington-Lewis and I am thrilled to be joining Cathedral Primary School this autumn as the new Music Lead. Currently I teach in Newport, but prior to relocating I was teaching music in Kensington so I'm excited to return to teaching in a vibrant city again.

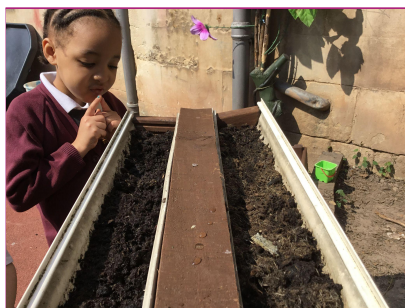
I studied Music at the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama and Vienna Conservatory before undertaking my teaching postgraduate degree. To date I have varied musical experiences ranging from teaching nursery children to directing male voice choirs.



Outside of music, I enjoy distance running and have established my own female running club in Newport. I absolutely love to garden and always make time to spend outdoors with my family.

Reception Highlight

Reception children have had lots of fun planting their bean plants and other seeds this week. We can't wait to see what grows!



Year 3 Highlight

Year 3 kicked off the Cathedral Primary School Sports Days with a bang! The children had a fantastic morning taking part in a number of Sports Day activities. This included a sprint race, the javelin throw and a relay race to finish. The children worked really hard in their teams to collect team points. We were so impressed! The winning team was... Germany!





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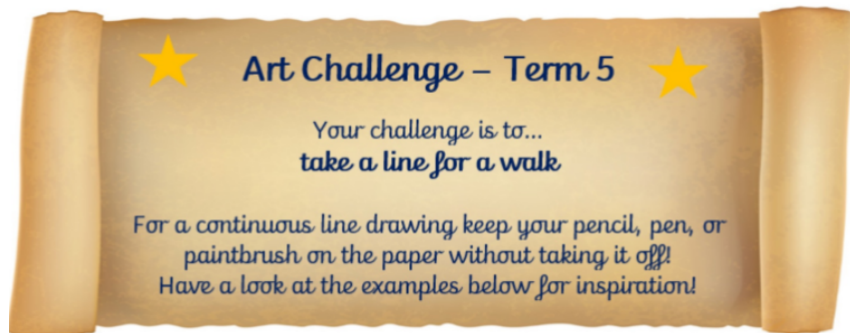
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Year 4 Highlight

We started this term in Year 4 by joining the Roman Army ready for their invasion of Britannia. We took an oath of loyalty to the Emperor, pledging our lives if necessary. We learnt about Roman armour and made our own shield. We then learnt some basic commands. We went out on the slope and took part in a drill. Luckily we decided not to adopt the brutal discipline of the Roman Army. Decimating the class for talking in line seems a bit harsh.

Art Challenge

Check out the entries on our Instagram account: [@cathedralprimaryart](https://www.instagram.com/cathedralprimaryart)



Paul Klee
Burdened
Children (1930)



Lucy Feng
Continuous line
(21st century)



Pablo Picasso
Le Pingouin
(1907)

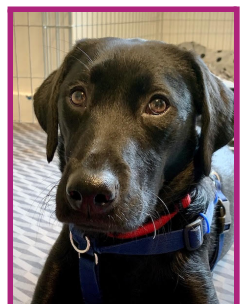


Katie Acheson
Wolford
Alicia Keys (21st
Century)

SEND

School Pupdate

Bramble, our trainee school dog, is doing really well. She is looking very grown up as she is 7 months old now. She has got used to being inside the building and is able to move around calmly and keep her focus on me. We are working closely with the 'Paws and Learn' the school dog organisation to gradually introduce Bramble to more people in school. She can stay relaxed in her pen whilst people come into my office and some of the older children have been popping in to fill up their water bottles. Bramble and I are now spending more time outside, getting used to the hustle and bustle of our school site; she particularly likes watching the children when they are playing on the Tump or coming in and out of the building. The children are always very happy when they spot us and I am loving hearing all of their dog stories!



Mrs Snelling
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French

Year 3 have wowed Miss Veuve with their French recently by learning the whole story of Dear Zoo (Cher Zoo) and recounting it with actions! Take a look at their performance of this on the Year 3 page - [Year 3](#)

From the Office

Lateness ➤ Please can we remind you that the doors open at 8.30am and close at 8.45am. Any child arriving after 8.45am will be marked as late. It is really important that you arrive on time as children entering late into the classroom impacts on the learning for all the children at the start of the day.

Test & Trace Support Payment Scheme ➤ Claiming financial support under the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme. Who can apply? You might be able to get a payment of £500 if you've been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace, or you're the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate.

If you're eligible for either the Test and Trace Support Payment or a discretionary payment, you'll receive the £500 payment in addition to any benefits and Statutory Sick Pay that you receive currently.

For more information visit: [Test and Trace Support Payment scheme](#)

Work on Anchor Road ➤ Please be aware that roadworks will be taking place on Anchor Road from the 10th May and are expected to last for approximately 3 weeks. This will be towards the Explore end of the road. This may well have an impact on the traffic around the school site.

Bristol's Clean Air Zone (CAZ) ➤ The Government has set legal limits for pollution and Bristol will be introducing a Clean Air Zone (CAZ), which is due to take effect from October. CPS will be within the zone. No vehicles are banned from entering a Clean Air Zone but older and more polluting vehicles have to pay a daily charge for travelling within the zone.

To find out more details about the CAZ and to see if your car or van will be charged please click on the link. [Bristol's Clean Air Zone \(CAZ\)](#)

Uniform ➤ We have had a message from Monkhouse, our uniform supplier regarding a disruption to their supply. Please go to our website for more information - [Uniform Page](#)

Uniform ➤ Don't forget to check the calendar for upcoming events.

Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and see you all on Tuesday 4th May