



# St Nicholas Church School

## School Newsletter

22nd March 2024

Term 4

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents & Carers,

Those who were lucky enough to attend the Dance Umbrella this week were treated to quite the spectacle of music, movement and choreography. Every year, we can't quite comprehend how children who are sometimes so quiet and reticent in school are able to stand on that stage and perform in the brilliant way they do with such confidence and enthusiasm, in a venue as large and intimidating as the Bath Forum. They really were outstanding and it emphasises the power of dance as a creative subject. Many thanks must go to Dance teacher Michelle Rochester who has been working with the Yr2 and Yr6 children since Christmas to perfect the routines. It was disappointing that these had to change dramatically the day before the show as 14 children dropped out without warning, but all credit to her and the rest of the dancers for adjusting the performance and showing great resilience. As they say, the show must go on!

Well done to Upper KS2 Girls who took part in a Maddy's Mark Rugby Festival at MSN rugby club this afternoon. They performed brilliantly, won nearly all their games and we now have two girls team ready to compete for any games to come in the future.

Year 5 ventured deep into the Hampshire countryside on Thursday for a trip to Butser Ancient Farm. This was to supplement the learning in their Anglo-Saxon history topic. It was a very hands on day with children making bracelets, rings, rune carvings and quills. Feeding the hungry goat was also a highlight! Photos will soon be available on our Facebook page.

Congratulations to our Spirit of St Nics winners today. It's always such a pleasure to listen to their teachers sing their praises and all of those awards were thoroughly deserved.

Some of you may have seen our KS2 children appear at the end of BBC Points West News on Friday, giving a huge cheer of encouragement for Miss Sampson who ran the Bath Half Marathon on Sunday. She was raising money for the fantastic cause of 'Young Lives Vs Cancer', and has now raised over £1000. Miss Sampson would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who sponsored her.

Next week, we have a busy end to the term with Easter Bingo, Easter Bonnet competition and our Easter Service, which all are invited to. **Please remember that on Thursday, school finishes for mainstream classes at 12:40pm and 1:00pm for the Midford and Wellow.**

Have a great weekend!

Mr Low & Mrs Biss



### Our Spirit of St Nicholas Award Winners Term 4



Cam	Tilly B	Avon	Mariah B
Somer	Kayla M	Mells	Niall C
Dart	Autumn P	Yeo	Ruby P
Midford	Korey B	Hartlake	Zinitha G

## Time to Talk

<b>Cam</b>	What does a seed need to grow?
<b>Somer</b>	Can you name the months of the year in order? If you can, which ones can you spell?
<b>Dart</b>	What was it like to dance in the Dance Umbrella?
<b>Avon</b>	Define what parallel and perpendicular lines are.
<b>Mells</b>	What are carnivores, herbivores, omnivores and how can we tell?
<b>Yeo</b>	What would you change about the Museum of Fun to make it more engaging for visitors?
<b>Hartlake</b>	What can you remember about the Mojave desert?
<b>Wellow</b>	
<b>Midford</b>	What is your favourite type of chocolate?

## Attendance

<b>Cam</b>	<b>97.7%</b>
<b>Somer</b>	<b>98.1%</b>
<b>Dart</b>	<b>91.2%</b>
<b>Avon</b>	<b>97%</b>
<b>Mells</b>	<b>98.8%</b>
<b>Yeo</b>	<b>95.8%</b>
<b>Hartlake</b>	<b>88.8%</b>
<b>Midford</b>	<b>90%</b>
<b>Wellow</b>	<b>80%</b>
<b>Overall attendance is: 94.6%</b>	

# Easter Egg-stravaganza

Sophie (Year 3) has been delivering Easter joy to her class this week after her Great Granny Jean has yet again knitted 35 amazing little Easter chicks—filled with chocolate eggs—to give out to the children. Granny Jean has been knitting chicks for the class every year as a special treat and they have certainly put a smile on everyone's face. What a wonderful thing to do! Thank you Granny Jean!



### Diary Dates

**Tuesday 26th March**

PTFA Easter Bingo

**Wednesday 27th March**

9.30am Easter Bonnet Assembly

**Thursday 28th March**

9.15 Easter Service

12.40pm/1.00pm End Of Term 4

**Monday 15th April**

Term 5 Begins

**Tuesday 16th April**

2.30pm Y5 Parent Event

**Wednesday 17th April**

Y3 Field To Food Trip

**Thursday 25th April**

Reception Trip To Carymoor

**Monday 29th April**

2.30pm Y1 Parent Event

**Tuesday 30th April**

9.15am Y2 Family Event

### House Points

<b>Ludlow</b>	361
<b>Foxcote</b>	403
<b>Tyning</b>	344
<b>Huish</b>	452

### Menu Change

Thursday 28th March will be a fish and chip take-away lunch as we are finishing early that day.

## Our Peg Award Winners



Red	Yellow	Pink	Green	Orange	Purple
Charlie T James J	Ellis R	Jasmine B Lucas C Molly D Amelia B Jack G Jay R George W Willow H Zoe MG Gracie W Lily-May P	Sophie C Lena S William P Marina C Harley F	William P	

**Live Well**  
Bath & North East Somerset



**Support for families and young people with special educational needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).**

Explore the SEND Local Offer to find out what support there is available for young people with SEND and their families. Live Well B&NES includes details of wellbeing groups, social clubs, inclusive activities, holiday clubs, mental health support services and opportunities beyond formal education.

Dedicated information sections signpost to support around benefits and funding, Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP's), health services and how to access impartial advice and guidance from specialist teams.

Parent Carers of young people with SEND can identify ways they can access support for their role as a parent carer of a child with additional needs.

You can also apply for your child's free Rainbow Resource card providing discreet confirmation of their additional need, and enabling them to access dedicated activity sessions, quiet spaces and support, and in some cases concessions to venues across the South West.

Visit the [SEND Local Offer](#) to find out more.

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# EASTER *Bingo*

Prepare your rabbit ears and lucky charms for our Easter Bingo Night! Bring your family and friends for a fun-filled evening of chocolatey prizes!

**TUESDAY 26TH MARCH**

DOORS 4.30PM, EYES DOWN 5PM

£2.50 for 3 games plus a picture round  
Extra picture games 50p each  
Pay on the door

Hot dogs and refreshments available

There will also be a raffle! Tickets £1



**BATH & WEST**  
FOOD & DRINK FESTIVAL

**23 - 24 MARCH 2024**



Featuring the British Cheese Awards  
[bathandwest.com/tickets](http://bathandwest.com/tickets)



Briony May



Make your own  
Cress Head



Andy Clarke

**KIDS GO FREE!\***

- British Cheese Awards • Farmhouse Tavern •
- Farmhouse Kitchen - Featuring Celebrity Chefs and Food & Drink Pairings • Over 100 Trade Stands • Kids Zone • Roaming Entertainment •
- Great Food & Drink from the South West •

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\* 15 & under

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Connect with your community  
Enrich lives & learn new skills

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**Family Holiday Activities**  
EXPLORE • CREATE • DISCOVER

Book online at [wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays](http://wellscathedral.org.uk/holidays)



**Spring into life**

April 2024

Celebrate Easter and Springtime with our family trail (available throughout the holiday) and our themed craft activities!



**Treasure Hunt** Tuesday 2 April

Follow our Easter crosses trail, collecting beads to make your own cross necklace.



**Easter Gardens** Wednesday 3 April

Follow our Easter story trail then make your own Easter garden to tell the best part of the story.



**Get Growing** Thursday 4 April

Decorate a mini pot and get planting!



**Spring into life** Friday 5 April

Celebrate new life with our spring themed crafts.



**Scan to book:**

Or drop in on the day (subject to availability)  
£2.15 per child / £1.10 if eligible for free school meals; accompanying adults FREE  
Please note: children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and only assistance dogs are allowed at our Family Holiday Activities



# LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c  
25 March

## Bath Central Library

### Storytime

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 26 March

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### Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 27 March

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### Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability

Thursday 10.00 - 12.00pm 28 March

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### Board Game Saturdays

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 30 March

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### Art in the Library: Views from the Pavement

Mon - Sat during opening hours 6 - 28 March

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### Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

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### Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

Mon - Sat During opening hours

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For any ticketed events, the link will be online via the blog.  
Visit [bathneslibraries.wordpress.com](https://bathneslibraries.wordpress.com)

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# DESIGN A FUTURE LIBRARY COMPETITION

**We want you to design a future library.**

What will libraries in the next one hundred years look like?  
How will people borrow books and find information out?  
Let your imagination take you on a journey into the future.

We want you to use your design and imagination skills to design a future library. Your design could be a picture, a plan or even a 3D model.

Hand your completed design and entry form into a member of staff by  
**Saturday 20 April 2024.**

For full competition details: <https://bit.ly/FutureLibraryComp>

We're very pleased to be partnering Bath Spa University's  
undergraduate Architecture students on their project to Design a  
Library.



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# 2023-2024 SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES

Including INSET DAYS

<b>TERM 1</b>	
Start:	Tuesday 5th September
Finish:	Friday 20th October
<b>TERM 2</b>	
Start:	Monday 30th October
Finish:	Friday 15th December
<b>TERM 3</b>	
Start:	Wednesday 3rd January
Finish:	Friday 9th February
<b>TERM 4</b>	
Start:	Monday 19th February
Finish:	Thursday 28th March
<b>TERM 5</b>	
Start:	Monday 15th April
Finish:	Friday 24th May
<b>TERM 6</b>	
Start:	Monday 3rd June
Finish:	Tuesday 23rd July
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	
Friday 1st September 2023	
Monday 4th September 2023	
Tuesday 2nd January 2024	
Monday 29th January 2024	
Friday 12th July 2024	