

St. John's CE Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 27 September 2024



Coming up

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Event</u> |
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| Wed 02 Oct 2024 | 13.00 - 15.30 | WR | Ducklings Forest School |
| Thu 03 Oct 2024 | 9.00 - 9.45 | LRR | EYFS Parent/Carer Phonics Session |
| Thu 03 Oct 2024 | 9.30 - 11.30 | University Pool | Avon Swim Assessment Session |
| Thu 03 Oct 2024 | 19.30 - 21.30 | WR | Whole School PTA AGM |
| Fri 04 Oct 2024 | 7.50 - 12.00 | Both Sites | Whole School Individual and Sibling Photos |
| Fri 04 Oct 2024 | 15.30 - 16.30 | LRR | EYFS Stay and Play |
| Mon 07 Oct 2024 | All day | WR | Y3-6 DT House Event |
| Mon 07 Oct 2024 | 9.30 - 10.30 | LRR | Y1&2 Little Red Riding Could |
| Tue 08 Oct 2024 | All day | LRR | Y1&2 DT House Event |
| Tue 08 Oct 2024 | 15.30 - 18.45 | Both Sites | Whole School Parent/Carer Consultations |
| Thu 10 Oct 2024 | 9.30 - 11.30 | University Pool | Severn Swim Assessment Session |
| Thu 10 Oct 2024 | All day | Belmont Estate | Cygnets Belmont Estate Trip |
| Thu 10 Oct 2024 | 15.30 - 18.45 | Both Sites | Whole School Parent/Carer Consultations |
| Sat 12 Oct 2024 | 11.00 - 15.00 | Both Sites | Whole School West Bristol Arts Trail |

INSET Days 2024-2025 Fri 25 Oct Mon 4 Nov Mon 6 Jan Fri 4 April



For Action

| <u>Who?</u> | <u>When?</u> | <u>What?</u> |
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| Whole School | | Reception places for September 2025: Applications are now open, we are holding tours throughout the Autumn, follow this link for further information and to book onto one. |
| Whole School | Fri 04 Oct | Individual Photos – If you child has PE on Friday 4th October they will need to come into school in their school uniform ready for the school photo. If you have children on both sites click on this link for information about how they will be able to get a sibling photo. |
| Whole School | Mon 30 Sep | Parent/Carer Consultations , are available to book from 6pm on Monday 30th September and will close 24 hours before the meetings. |
| Whole School | Fri 11 Oct | Saturday 12th October is the West Bristol Arts Trail . Both sites will be open for you to view your child's art work, between 11am-3pm. We would love to see you there! We would also be very grateful of any donations of cakes, either shop bought or homemade (homemade cakes would need to be nut free and with an ingredients list) so we can sell refreshments on the day. Please drop cake donations off at either site on Friday, 11th Oct. |
| Ducklings | Wed 02 Oct | Children to come to school in base layers for forest school afternoon, bring wellies and water proofs. Please sign up if you are able to help: Ducklings Forest School Sign Up |
| Cygnets | Thu 10 Oct | Wear Forest School kit for our Belmont Trip and bring a packed lunch unless you have ordered one (deadline for ordering Fri 4th Oct). Additional helpers required, please let the class teacher know if you are able to help. Make payment on Parentmail. |
| Falcons | Thursdays | Volunteers are required for Forest School on Thursday afternoons, please sign up if you are able to help: Falcons Forest School sign up |
| Y1&2 | by Mon 07 Oct | Make payment for Little Red Riding Could , available soon on Parentmail. |

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| Y3&4 | Wed 09 Oct | <u>Forces & Magnets Homework</u> - creative writing to be handed in Wednesday 9th October. |
| Severn | Thu 10 Oct | Swim Assessment Session - children will need to come into school wearing their swimming kit. They will also need their water bottle and a coat suitable for the weather of the day. Please inform your class teacher if you are able to walk with us to and from the pool. Click here for the letter sent previously. |
| Avon | Thu 03 Oct | Swim Assessment Session - children will need to come into school wearing their swimming kit. They will also need their water bottle and a coat suitable for the weather of the day. Please inform your class teacher if you are able to walk with us to and from the pool. Click here for the letter sent previously. |
| Y5 | by Fri 04 Oct | Year 5 Worrall Road Eco Team Applications are now open for the new Eco Team. If your Y5 child would like to apply, they should write a letter or create a poster, poem, model, song or video saying why they want to be a member of this year's Eco Team. Please email the application (including NAME & CLASS) to: ecoteam@stjohnsprimary.org.uk or hand it in to Ms Allenby in Harbour Class by Friday 4th October. |
| Y5&6 | Tue 22 Oct | <u>Saxons Topic Homework</u> - to be handed in Tuesday 22nd October. |
| Y6 | by 31 Oct | Apply for a secondary school place for the school year 2025 - 2026, applications close at midnight on 31st October 2024. See flyer at the end of the bulletin. |



School News

Click on the news item below to see more on our website

Online Safety

Year Groups  [New Tannoy System at WR](#)

[Hawks Class](#)

[Y3&4 The Circus is coming to Town](#)

[EYFS week 4](#)

Service Questions



In services this week, we have been helping ourselves and others to 'fly high like an eagle' by reflecting on these questions: Why is it important to be a good friend? How can you be a good friend?

PTA News

PTA AGM Thursday 3rd October 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm WR Hall (Entrance via carpark) You are all welcome! **The PTA are looking for some Class Reps for the 2024-25 school year.** If you would be interested in this role please complete this form - Class Rep Form 2024-2025. The role can be as little or as big as you like! It is a great way to get to know other parents/carers in your class and across the school.

WR Play Area

The play equipment in the WR playground is only suitable for pupils year 3 and above, it is not safe to let younger siblings climb on it at school pick up. It is the parent/carer responsibility to supervise their children before and after school.

LRR Kitchen Staff needed

General Kitchen Assistant required to work at Lower Redland Road, 10.15-1.30pm, 5 days a week. No experience necessary, training will be provided. Please contact: reuben.bassett@compass-group.co.uk with your CV if interested.

Shine October Half Term

Early booking discount for Shine during October half term, see flyer at the end of the bulletin.

Redland Park Church Event

A Kimchi Workshop at St. John's Worrall Road, Saturday October 19th, 11.00am to 1pm. Kimchi is one of the most popular foods at the moment. This Korean staple is a real health food and is to be found in so many places. The workshop is an introduction to making kimchi and will be led by Vincent (a member of the Bristol Korean Church, that meets at Redland Park Church). Redland Park is also known as Dougie's church on Whiteladies Road, Dougie will also be there at the workshop. Some of the prepping will already have been done for you, as otherwise making kimchi can take some time but you will discover how it all happens. Each family will be able to take home a jar of their very own kimchi. Any children attending must be accompanied by an adult See you there! Dougie (The Rev. Dougie Burnett)

Bristol Beacon Ensembles

Our Music Hub, Bristol Beacon, provides many high quality ensemble opportunities outside school time. The attached flyer gives details of some of the wonderful experiences that can help children to develop and extend musicianship, whilst making new friends and having lots of fun.

Leave of Absence

[Leave of Absence Request Form](#) Please note this needs to be completed 2 weeks before your leave. Absence due to visiting a new school should be reported on Parentmail not on this form.

Parentmail

Please report pupil absence due to illness or medical appointment on Parentmail, follow the [link](#) for more information and help downloading the App.

Name Tags

For every order of personalised labels for children's clothing and equipment, [My Nametags](#) will contribute 20% to the school. Every order placed when clicking on this link and using the School ID of 21484 will be counted in the fundraising total for our school. Follow this link or go to the school website, quick links page and click on the My Nametags link.

Give as you Live online

Support the PTA by using Give as you Live Online, it is a free way to raise money for charity when you shop online. Shop at over 6,000 leading stores via our website, Donation Reminder or App and you'll raise free funds for our school. Go to www.giveasyoulive.com/. Sign up on the top right of the website and enter St John's School PTA (Clifton) when selecting the charity of choice.

For more information click [here](#). Ask friends, family members, and even any businesses you are involved with to shop this way too. We recommend popping a Bookmark on your Bookmarks Bar, or setting Give as You Live as your default homepage so that you don't forget.

apply for a **secondary school** place for the school year **2025-2026**

If your child was born between **1 September 2013** and **31 August 2014** you will need to apply for a school place by **31 October 2024**.



REMEMBER THE DEADLINE
31
October
2024
APPLY ONLINE

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www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions



What do I need to do to apply for a school place?

- Check out the guidance on applying to schools – available at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions, or by contacting School Admissions. The guidance contains details on how & when to apply, information on each school along with their admissions policy and oversubscription criteria. With the mix of different types of school from Church schools, Foundation schools, Academies, Free Schools and Community secondaries the admissions policy could be different for each school you put as a preference so it's important to ensure you check this carefully.
- Some schools require supplementary forms to be completed as well as the common application form. Make sure you check if this applies to the school(s) you are interested in.
- Visit the schools. All schools hold open days. School websites provide details of open evenings and other events.
- Look at the school's prospectus and its website which are useful sources of information.
- You can name up to three school preferences. We advise you to name more than one school.
- Make sure you apply on-time. The deadline is 31 October 2024.

School Admissions (CH)

Bristol City Council
PO Box 3399, Bristol, BS1 9NE
www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions
e school.admissions@bristol.gov.uk
t 0117 903 7694



Why apply online?

- The system helps you by checking for errors.
- There is no risk that your application will be lost in the post.
- It is quick and easy to do.
- You will get an immediate email confirming that your application has been received.
- You will receive an email notification of the outcome of your application on the same day as the offer letters are posted.
- The system is available 24 hours a day until the final submission time of midnight on 31 October 2024.

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Bristol Beacon Ensembles: The next step

Are your children enjoying music in the classroom, or showing potential beyond their individual or group instrument lessons in school?

Join a Bristol Beacon ensemble

Bristol's young musicians are invited to join an ensemble, group or choir or learn an instrument with Bristol Beacon. There are over 20 ensembles, groups and choirs to choose from, Year 3 to Year 13 - from complete beginners to advanced.



From our beginners' Sparks ensembles, to jazz, DJing or percussion, through to our flagship Bristol Youth Orchestra and Choir – there is something for everyone. Join an ensemble with Bristol Beacon and discover how you can be part of a thriving musical community. Make music with others, develop your skills and have the chance to perform at the transformed Bristol Beacon venue.

Ensembles add valuable context to what is learnt in small group lessons in school and helps children discover and enjoy music with others.

For more information, contact our ensembles team.

Bursaries are available for all our ensemble activities and cover up to the full amount of the membership fee. Find out more: <https://bristolbeacon.org/join-an-ensemble/> or email ensembles@bristolbeacon.org