

Dear Parent

Vacancy for Clerk to Governors

We have a vacancy for a Clerk to support our Local Governing Body.

The main responsibilities and tasks of this role are to provide advice to the Governing Body, effective administration of meetings, to oversee membership of the LGB and to manage Information. This role requires attendance at 5 meetings per academic year which last for approximately 2 hours per meeting. Experience of being a Clerk to Governors is preferred but training will be provided. Previous experience of minute taking is **essential**. This post is term time only and the salary is £1612.98 per year. This figure is based on a full-time annual salary of £17,681 (which is equivalent to £9.16per hour) for approximately 30 hours to be worked during each six-week term.

WASPS Inset Days

For your information, the remaining four inset days for WASPS are as follows:

- Friday, 15th February, Friday, 28th June, Monday, 22nd July and Tuesday, 23rd July 2019

School will be closed to pupils on the above dates.

School Term and Holiday Dates 2019 – 2020 Academic Year

WASPS will be following the school term and holiday dates published by Bath & North East Somerset Council for the 2019/2020 academic year. Please find the dates below for your information. School Training dates for the 2019/2020 academic year have yet to be decided.

SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES - 2019/2020 Academic Year

TERM 1

Start: Monday 2 September 2019 (40 Days)
Finish: Friday 25 October 2019

TERM 2

Start: Monday 4 November 2019 (35 Days)
Finish: Friday 20 December 2019

TERM 3

Start: Monday 6 January 2020 (30 Days)
Finish: Friday 14 February 2020

TERM 4

Start: Monday 24 February 2020 (30 Days)
Finish: Friday 3 April 2020

TERM 5

Start: Monday 20 April 2020 (24 Days)
Finish: Friday 22 May 2020

TERM 6

Start: Monday 1 June 2020 (36 Days)
Finish: Monday 20 July 2020

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS:

25 December 2019 Christmas Day
26 December 2019 Boxing Day
01 January 2020 New Year's Holiday
10 April 2020 Good Friday
13 April 2020 Easter Monday
04 May 2020 May Day Bank Holiday
25 May 2020 Spring Bank Holiday

WASPS PTA – Next Steps...

As mentioned last week, we are keen to formalise the way we organise the PTA at WASPS since, with a growing school, our fundraising has become so successful that the time has now come to register with the Charity Commission. Our plan is to form a "Parents and Staff Together" Committee which is open to any parent or staff member, with specified officers of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer (which will be shared between a staff member and a parent) and representatives of each year group. The plan is that this committee will replace the two mini PTAs and will be responsible for all fundraising across the school.

We will hold a meeting to discuss the details on Thursday, 24th January at 2.40pm in the Café Hall and we would love you to attend. This will not replace the Year Group Council meetings which we feel add a different dimension to parent, staff and pupil engagement.

Help for UK Air Ambulance Services

The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

We would like to help raise funds through the recycling of postage stamps. Whether the stamps are British, overseas, new or used they can all be donated to raise funds. Look out for the boxes in Little WASPS and the main School Reception where you can post your stamps for us to collect. Thank you.

Sports News:

Sportshall Athletics success - Last Wednesday Mr Snook took a mixed team of 26 pupils from Yr 6 to compete in an indoor Sportshall Athletics Level 2 event at Wellsway school. The pupils were able to compete in track and field events including: sprinting, relay, long jump, triple jump, javelin and speed bounce.

Over the past three weeks, 16 schools from the B&NES area have competed in Sportshall Athletic competitions with the top two teams qualifying for the Level 3 event to be held at UWE on Monday, 28th January 2019.

After some fine running and excellent throwing WASPS finished in **joint first** position overall and will now join Saltford Primary in the Level 3 event.

Girls football 7-a-side - Following on from their recent Level 2 competition win, WASPS Girls took part in the Level 3 tournament at Strode College, Street. The 12 teams were split into two pools of 6 with each team playing 5 qualifying games.

The girls played fantastically showing a really high level of talent beyond their years. After five games (7 mins each way) WASPS finished with 12 pts (3 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss). WASPS scored 9 goals and conceded 3, finishing third in their group. It was a great experience and bodes well for the future with only 30% of the team being from year 6; indeed, two of the girls were from year 4. Ella and Nicky were the stand out performers from WASPS ably assisted by Tegan, Myley, Olivia and Isabella in midfield. The defensive unit of Iris, Poppy, Phoebe and Maddy improved with each and every game.

Well done girls and good luck in your remaining fixtures this year.

Yours sincerely
Dr Anne Bull
Headteacher

COMMUNITY LINKS

Rondo Theatre – Jack & the Beanstalk Panto, 16th to 20th January 2019. For info visit www.rondotheatre.co.uk

Team Bath Swimming Taster Day - Sunday 20 January 2019, Culverhay Leisure Centre, BA2 2QL. For more info, please visit website: www.teambathas.co.uk or contact the Membership Secretary at membership@teambathas.co.uk

Bath Strings Academy – Half Term Music Courses – 21st & 22nd Feb 2019, 10am to 4pm at Abbot Alphege Academy. £40 per day. For info visit www.bathstringsacademy.org

Bath Strings Academy – Half Day Workshop – Mystery & Intrigue. Sunday 20th Jan from 10am to 1pm. Widcombe Junior School - £22. For info visit www.bathstringsacademy.org

Bath Spa University – Taste of Teaching Day, Sat 26th January, 10am to 1.30pm at the Newton Park Campus. Find out more at www.bathspa.ac.uk/news-and-events/events/taste-of-teaching-day/

Bath Women's Fund - a new approach to philanthropy in Bath. You can now join the Bath Women's Fund to support the local community. Each member donates £25 per month (or £20 plus Gift Aid), or more if they wish. Information about how to join at: www.stjohnsbath.org.uk/bath-womens-fund

Royal High School:

- **Languages Workshop for Girls in Yrs 2, 3 & 4.** Saturday, 9th February 2019 from 10am – 12.00pm.
- **Science Detectives Workshop for Girls in Yrs 4 & 5.** Saturday 23rd March from 10am – 12.30pm.
- **Classics and Dance - Girls in Year 5.** Saturday 9th February 2019 from 10am – 12pm.

For the above details of location are on website: www.royalhighbath.gdst.net. Please call Zoe on 313877 for further info.