

Dear Parent

Irish Ceili Evening!

Bring your dance partner for an evening of music, food and dancing, with performances from:

The Hills School of Irish Dance

WASPS Irish Dance Club

WASPS Staff Little Band

Friday, 15th March 2019, 5pm - 7pm

Tickets £4.00 adults, £2.00 children (under 16)

to include food (Irish Ploughmans).

Tickets via Parentpay or WASPS Office

Venue: WASPS Main Hall

Proceeds on the night to be split between Comic Relief's Red Nose Day Appeal and fundraising for School

Year 5, Year Group Assembly – Thursday, 7th March 2019

The Year 5 Year Group Assembly will take place in the Main Hall at 2.30pm on Thursday, 7th March. Refreshments are on sale afterwards shared between the year group charity chosen for fund raising and a year group resource. Thank you in anticipation of your kind donations.

Class 3W Visit to the Roman Baths – Friday, 8th March 2019

On Friday 8th March, Class 3W will be visiting the Roman Baths. Please make sure pupils in 3W arrive promptly for registration. The children will be transported to the Roman Baths by minibus and will walk back to school in time for a normal pick-up. Please refer to the letter sent home on 24th January for the finer details.

Book Fair

Next week our Book Fair will be visiting WASPS. The Book Fair will be open every day from 8:30 – 9:00 in the morning and 3:15 – 3:45 in the afternoon in each of the halls (excluding Monday morning and Friday afternoon). Please come and buy some books from the fair as we are able to claim 60% commission to spend on books for our school libraries.

Primary Music Day, Wednesday, 13th March 2019 - Mid Somerset Festival

A letter was sent home yesterday to all participating pupils giving all the information and timings.

Special Educational Needs Team (SEND) Coffee Afternoon – Monday, 11th March 2019

The SEND Team will be holding a Coffee Afternoon on Monday, 11th March from 2.15pm in the Nest (Castle Cabin). This will be an opportunity to catch up with the SEND Team. All welcome.

Parents of Year 6 pupils

Please look out for a letter that will come home with pupils in the next few days, offering information about how you can support your child in the run-up to the KS2 SATs in May. We shall put that letter on the website too, in the Year 6 area, to be sure that you are able to access it.

Mobile Phones

This is a reminder that pupils are **not** allowed to bring mobile phones into school.

If your child is in Year 5 or Year 6 and walks to or from school without an adult and you want them to be able to carry a mobile phone for safety reasons, permission needs to be requested by completing the enclosed form. Your child will then be expected to hand their phone in at the school office at the start of the day and collect it at the end of the day. **Under no circumstances should children be keeping mobile phones with them during the day.**

Acceptable Use Policy

All teachers are going through this policy with their classes; it concerns safe use of the internet. Children are being asked to sign that they understand and agree to stay within the guidelines. Please read the appropriate policy on the internet, which can be found by clicking on 'Statutory' and then 'E-safety'. You will be asked by your child's class teacher sign to say that you have read and understood it. Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

Parents' behaviour on school premises

Unfortunately, we find it necessary to remind parents of the standards of behaviour expected of you on school grounds. Please remember as role models to all the children in school, only respectful, polite behaviour is appropriate. No members of staff, parents or children should be subjected to abusive or aggressive behaviour or threats from other adults on the school premises.

Snack Time

May we please remind you, that as a Healthy School, pupils are encouraged to bring in a piece of fruit for snack time and a drink of water. Reception to Year 2 are still provided with a piece of fruit from the government fruit and veg scheme. No other forms of snack are allowed!

Tax-Free Childcare

We have recently registered with the Tax-Free Childcare Scheme which means that any families using our Breakfast Club or After School Centre may be eligible to get help towards the cost of their childcare. The Government will pay £2 for every £8 you pay your childcare provider via an online account. For further information please visit <https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare>

Parking

Once again I am receiving complaints concerning inconsiderate and careless parking along Broadmoor Lane. Two cars parked on double yellow lines recently were a white Fiat, registration WM15 EDT and a Silver Ford, registration NJ09 SWZ. Please remember to leave enough time to find a suitable place to park and to always park responsibly.

WASPS Irish Dancers

Congratulations to three of our pupils at the CRN Irish Dance Qualifiers. On Sunday 3rd March, three WASPs students, Freya and Caitlin (Year 3) and Elodie (Year 5) attended the CRN Irish Dance Qualifiers in Tenby, Wales, hoping to go through to dance at the Irish Open Championships in Dublin in May.

We are very pleased to announce that all the girls danced brilliantly and, alongside ex-WASPs students, Bea, Clarrie and Lara, qualified to represent England in their respective age groups. The girls will be dancing against dancers from around the world and we wish them all the very best of luck!!

WASPS Football - Sports Report

Last Monday a team of 5 girls and 5 boys from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the B&NES 7-a-side mixed football competition at Odd Down. WASPS boys and girls played beautiful football together with wonderful passing, communication and finishing displayed throughout the team. They won all 6 of their group matches scoring over 15 goals and conceding only 1.

Advancing to the semi-finals WASPS faced Moorlands school who adopted a tactic that was new to our players. Moorlands placed all three of their boys in outfield positions; unsure how to play against this, WASPS conceded three early goals and, whilst creating many chances, were unable to register the goals needed to advance to the final.

Huge congratulations to the girls and boys for playing so well as a team and also to the parents who came and supported us so positively.

Bath Half Marathon

Further to Newsletter one, please find some more people busy training for the Bath Half Marathon:

- Tracey Awramenko, Learning Support Assistant in Little WASPS. Running the Bath Half in aid of Three Ways School to raise funds for learning resources for wonderful children with special needs. Link for sponsorship <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/team3marathon/478312>

Thank You

Thank you to anyone who has donated a car booster seat to WASPS – they are much appreciated.

Name Labels

We continue to get so many unnamed items of uniform in the Lost Property which makes it difficult for these items to be returned to their rightful owner. If you are looking for any lost property, please check the boxes inside each building. Please see the following information from a supplier re name labels for clothes:

- Marion from Label Creating. Please click on the link for information www.labelcreating.co.uk

Yours sincerely
Dr Anne Bull
Headteacher

COMMUNITY LINKS

Lansdown Golf Club – FREE Open Day. Come and join us whatever your age or ability. Sunday 7th April, 11am – 4pm. To register your interest please email info@lansdowngolfclub.co.uk

Bath Royal Literacy & Scientific Institution – for all upcoming Workshops please visit www.brlsi.org and click on the Young BRLSI 'read more' link.

Spotters Easter Hockey Camp. 08.04.19 & 09.04.19 at Beechen Cliff School. For more info and booking please email spottershockey@yahoo.co.uk

To mark Lent this year **St. Michael's Church Family** have set a series of daily challenges with the aim of reducing our impact and increasing our care for God's Earth. You can download a flyer with all the challenges from www.stmichaelsbath.org.uk

Bath City Football Club next fixture 12.03.19 – Bath City v Hampton & Richmond. For info visit www.bathcityfc.com

Mobile Phones in School

I would like to request permission for my Y5 and/or Y6 child/children to bring their mobile phone to School.

I confirm that my child walks to or from school without an adult and, therefore, requires a mobile phone for safety reasons.

Child's Name: Class:

Signed: Parent/Guardian

Date: