



Thursday 16th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to say how pleased we are with the way our wonderful pupils have settled back into school. The children have very quickly adapted to the new routine of going straight to their classrooms first thing in the morning and they are really enjoying playtime and lunchtime returning to normal.

As mentioned last Friday, here is the first fortnightly Thursday newsletter.

After School Clubs

Please look out for a hard copy of the Clubs letter and list which has been sent home today via your child. Please note that the return date for choice of club slips in school is **tomorrow, Friday 17th September**.

Bike to School Week

'Join other schools and be part of the Bike to School Week community'

Once again, we are promoting active travel and the physical and mental health benefits this has for children. We are encouraging you to cycle or scoot to school as much as possible between 27th September and 1st October 2021. Bike to School week is a great way to encourage families to make healthier, greener transport choices.

Let everyone know you are taking part, share success stories on **#BiketoSchoolWeek** and above all, have fun!

Individual Photographs – Thurs, 23rd September 2021

Please note that the school photographer is coming to take individual photographs of WASPS pupils on Thursday 23rd September 2021. **Please ensure that children come to school neatly dressed in WASPS uniform and that no jewellery, coloured ribbons or bows are worn.** If it is a 'PE day' for your child, please send your child to school in WASPS uniform with a change of clothes in a bag for their PE lesson.

Family photographs will take place on Friday 1st October 2021, further details to follow.

Dates for the Diary

School Term Dates 21/22

Term 1	02.09.21 to 22.10.21
Term 2	01.11.21 to 17.12.21
Term 3	04.01.22 to 18.02.22
Term 4	28.02.22 to 08.04.22
Term 5	25.04.22 to 27.05.22
Term 6	06.06.22 to 22.07.22

Early September 2021

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale
Opportunity to purchase
good quality uniform at rock
bottom prices.

After School Clubs

20.09.21 to 26.11.21

Thurs, 23rd September 2021

Individual School
Photographs taken at school

Thurs, 23rd September 2021

5.00 – 7.00pm
Education Evening

27th Sept - 1st October 2021

Bike to School Week

Open Sessions for Prospective Pupils:

10am to 11am on 22.09.21,
14.10.21, 20.10.21

Friday, 1st October

Family photographs
More details to follow

Friday, 22nd October 2021

Rags2Riches clothing
donation deadline

Remaining Inset Days

Monday, 1st November 2021
Monday, 28th February 2022
Friday, 22nd July 2022



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Education Evening – Thursday, 23rd September 2021

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Education Evening which will take place from 5.00 to 7.00pm on 23rd September, the details of which were sent out yesterday explaining the format.

Flu Immunisation 2021-22

Please read the information from the School Aged Immunisation Team at B&NES:

“This year your child will be offered a free flu vaccination in school and we will shortly be sending communication via the school with regard to consent for this.

***However**, we are aware there are some children that, due to an underlying medical condition, are at increased risk from the flu virus – if you believe that your child is in the category and you would like the opportunity to book them into an early community clinic please contact our single point of access (SPA) on 0300 247 0082 or email vc.immunisations@nhs.net. Please note this is an extremely busy time for our phones and therefore if you are struggling to get through please don't hesitate to contact us via e-mail and someone will return your call.”*

Is Your Child Due to Start School in September 2022?

If your child was born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, he/she is able to start school in September 2022.

Application forms are open for completion from 10th September 2021 for entry to WASPS in September 2022. Applications for children who are due to start school in Reception Class in 2022, i.e. born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018, should be made through B&NES Schools Admissions Department. Further details can be found at www.bathnes.gov.uk. **The closing date for applications is 15th January 2022.**

All other enquiries should be made to WASPS by telephoning (01225) 421786, via email at admissions@wasp-school.org.uk or in writing for the attention of Mrs Sarah Halls, Headteacher, Weston All Saints CE Primary School, Broadmoor Lane, Weston, Bath, BA1 4JR.

NB - If you have a sibling already at WASPS please remember to register this on your application.

Dates for Wasps Open Morning Sessions:

- Wednesday 22nd September 2021 – 10am to 11am
- Thursday 14th October 2021 – 10am to 11am
- Wednesday 20th October 2021 – 10am to 11am

Safety at Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Our local Community Support Officer has recently been patrolling the local area at morning drop-off and has noticed some inconsiderate parking.

Please may we politely remind all parents of the importance of taking the utmost care when dropping off or collecting pupils by car. Please **do not under any circumstances** park across the school entrance, on the yellow zigzag lines outside school or on the double yellow lines in Broadmoor Lane and always be extra vigilant of the safety of all parents and pupils arriving at school or leaving the school site on foot.

In addition, our neighbours in Vernslade have reported cars parking over driveways and blocking local residents' access to and from their property. Please take care and be mindful when parking your car.



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Festival of the Moon – Wells Cathedral

Please see the following information received from the Education Officer at Wells Cathedral:

“The Festival of the Moon is coming to Wells Cathedral in October. Families will enjoy experiencing the Museum of the Moon, a scale model of the moon suspended from the Nave ceiling, complete with lunar imagery, moonlight and surround sound composition. Entry to the cathedral is free although donations are always welcome. There are also ticketed family friendly performances.

Festival of the Moon at Wells Cathedral

This autumn, Wells Cathedral is hosting a festival to celebrate the visit of Luke Jerram’s spectacular touring artwork: Museum of the Moon. A whole constellation of activities and events, including live shows, music, school displays and tours, will be on offer throughout the Moon’s stay from 12th October to 3rd November, with something to satisfy all tastes and ages! Why not visit the Moon this October half-term?

Wallace & Gromit’s ‘A Grand Day Out’

Thursday 14th October 2021 at 7.00pm

Wallace and Gromit enjoy a day out with a difference when a quest to find cheese prompts a visit to the moon! Watch this comic classic on the big screen at Wells Cathedral’s family-friendly evening under the Museum of the Moon. This show includes a performance of Captain Noah and his Floating Zoo, performed by the Choristers of Wells Cathedral Choir! Tickets: £5-£10 (family tickets available)

‘Man on the Moon’ at Wells Cathedral

Friday 15th October 2021 at 6.30pm, 8pm and 9.30pm (three performances)

On Friday 15th October, watch ropewalker-extraordinaire Chris Bullzini perform a breath-taking high wire routine above the Museum of the Moon, and explore the extraordinary spaces of the Cathedral by night. Tickets: £8-£10

Full details and booking information can be found at <https://www.wellscathedral.org.uk/cathedral-events/festival-of-the-moon/>”

B&NES Free School Meals (Benefit Related) - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2

Please see the flyer from the Free School Meals Team at B&NES at the end of the newsletter.

Vacancies – Required Immediately

WASPS has the following vacancies to start as soon as possible (after the necessary background checks):

Cleaners – WASPS are currently looking to recruit cleaners, term time only, daily from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. The positions will be paid at between £9.62 and £9.81 per hour. We would consider certain days rather than a whole week.

School Meal Supervisory Assistant (SMSA) – WASPS has vacancies for lunchtime supervisory posts, term time only, 12 noon to 1.30pm. The positions will be paid at £9.81 per hour.

Please register your interest in either of the above posts by contacting the WASPS School Office on 01225 421786 or via email at westonallsaints_pri@wasp-school.org.uk

Ink Cartridge Collection

Please may we remind you that we are collecting printer ink cartridges, either used without packaging or new, unopened but out of date cartridges. Please note that we **cannot** accept laser/toner cartridges. Thank you.



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REMINDERS

Naming Possessions - Do please be sure to name **ALL** of your child's possessions!

Class Dojo - Beginning on Wednesday 15th September, following the use of ClassDojo during periods of home learning in the last school year, we have decided to use the same platform for communication between teachers and families, and for the sharing of some learning this year. We hope that Dojo will provide a quick and easy way for teachers to share information with you all via the Class Story, and that it will also allow you to ask questions directly to your child's teacher using the messaging function. Teachers will aim to respond to questions on ClassDojo within 24 hours, and on the same day where possible, if the message arrives before 4.30pm. We hope that you will understand that teachers will not be monitoring ClassDojo during teaching hours (9.00am – 3.30pm) nor at weekends. With this in mind, **for communication that relates to attendance and lunches, we ask that you still use the normal channels through the school office to get in touch with the school.**

Pick-Up Messages for your child's teacher - If you need to change the pickup arrangement for your child on a given day or on a permanent basis, this information should still be handed to the class teacher (or another member of staff in the absence of the teacher) in written form at morning drop-off. The note must be clearly labelled with the teacher's name and class. These notes are held on file so that any adult working with the class can check them at pick-up time. Except in the case of a genuine emergency, changes to pick-up arrangements should not be sent to the office, by phone or email.

IMPORTANT - Message for Reception parents and new starter parents - As a school we will be using Class Dojo as the platform for communicating with families and to share learning. Recently, a change in the law means that we now have to ask your explicit consent to use ClassDojo. Please follow the link below for further information and to complete an online consent form. Thank you. <https://forms.office.com/r/1MjP7z4KdN>

ParentPay Activation Letters for Reception Parents and All Our New Families - ParentPay Activation letters will be coming home shortly via your child. ParentPay is our on-line payment system used for school dinners, school trips, etc. In addition, we have a facility via ParentPay to email newsletters and to text messages advising parents of important information regarding school closures, information on school trips, etc.

Please note that if you do not activate your ParentPay account you may not receive urgent messages from school.

Rags 2 Riches 4 Schools - We have signed up to the Rags2Riches4Schools recycling scheme, to raise money and help others around the world benefit from our good quality unwanted clothes and shoes. We get 40p for every kilo we collect of reusable items towards fundraising for the school and we would be most grateful if you could help us with this challenge at home.

We have a collection booked on Friday 22nd October 2021 so please keep good clothing to donate to us on these dates.
Clean and reusable items that can be donated:

- Good quality clothes and accessories.
- Adult, children and baby clothes such as jackets, jumpers, hoodies, trousers, skirts, scarves, gloves, belts, handbags, paired shoes and other footwear etc.

Please DO NOT send:

- Worn out shoes or clothes, clothes that are wet or have holes in.
- Curtains, pillows or duvets, bric-a-brac or books.
- Personalised items.
- Work uniform, School uniform or school sports kit

Morrisons It's Good to Grow - We have signed up to Morrisons It's Good to Grow scheme to enable us to obtain free gardening equipment for school. For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you will get a Grow Token to help us get everything we need to get growing. Download the MyMorrisons app today to start collecting Grow Tokens – you can then choose WASPS as the school you would like to donate them to. We will then be able to exchange the Grow Tokens for FREE gardening equipment to help our pupils get growing!



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B&NES Free Courses - Cook It, LEAP & Henry Healthy Families

Please see the fliers at the end of the newsletter from the Children's healthy weight team for Virgin Care's Wellbeing Service that are available to parents in B&NES.

Year 6 Parents - Secondary School Open Events 2021

Please click on the following links for information concerning Secondary School Open Events:

- Beechen Cliff School <https://www.beechencliff.org.uk/>
- Hayesfield Girls' School [Hayesfield Girls' School » Open School Events 2021](#)
- Oldfield School <http://www.oldfieldschool.com/admissions/open-days/>
- St Mark's School <https://www.st-marks.org.uk/2021/08/open-events-2021/>

Drop-off and Pick-up

- Gates open at 8.40am
- Drop-off promptly at 8.50am
- Pick-up at 3.20pm

Entry/exit points

- Lansdown Lane gate near Little WASPS – Reception and Year 1.
- First Broadmoor Lane gate, at the top of the staff drive – Years 2 – 6 if approaching from Lansdown Lane.
- Main gate on Broadmoor Lane, leading to main school office – Years 2 – 6 if approaching from beyond the main gate.

One-way routes are marked on the two driveways. The bark path is one-way from the first Broadmoor Lane gate towards the main driveway.

Covid-19 – Please remember:

- Face coverings are personal choice
- To respect those who wish to adhere to the 2 metre social distancing guidelines
- To respond promptly if anyone in the household develops Covid symptoms (see <https://www.wasp-school.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Covid-19-A-quick-guide-for-parents-and-carers-04.01.21.pdf> A Quick Guide for Parents and Carers)

Please remember, it is really important, due to the reported transmissibility of the delta variant, that if your child is coughing or has a raised temperature or experiences a change in their taste or smell, that you book a PCR test without delay. The household is required to isolate until a negative result is received. Please be clear that the Lateral Flow home tests are intended for testing asymptomatic people, **i.e. people without symptoms.**

Anyone with symptoms needs to ring 119 to book a PCR test. Public Health England recommend that children with non-COVID specific symptoms of acute respiratory infection don't go into school if they are unwell as a general rule, and get tested if they (or their families) progress to COVID 19 symptoms whilst unwell.

We believe this is because some people who have caught the Delta variant of the virus recently, have reported feeling 'as if they had a summer cold, with headache, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing' for the first few days. Only a few days later have the 'typical' Covid symptoms become apparent.

IMPORTANT, PLEASE NOTE - ANY close contacts of Covid cases who have been asked to isolate (including siblings who attend other schools and who are isolating) are NOT permitted to come onto the school site for any reason, including the drop-off or collection of pupils from WASPS. Thank you.



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Regular Covid-19 Testing for Adults - Residents in B&NES are being encouraged to get into the habit of having a regular rapid Covid-19 test. Lockdown restrictions are slowly being loosened across England in line with **the Government's Roadmap**, and whilst these changes are really welcomed they also bring with them an increased risk of transmission. To reduce risk and keep everyone safe, it is vital to keep testing at home:

- adults test twice a week at home from now on (all those who can)
- report results online as positive, negative or void. This information is critical in helping to understand the prevalence of the virus across the country

For all the ways you can get rapid COVID 19 tests including how to order home tests please see:

<https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19-latest-information-and-advice/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-schools>

With our very best wishes,

Mrs Sarah Halls
Headteacher

Mrs Sharon Badger
Deputy Headteacher

Free School Meals (Benefit Related) in Bath & North East Somerset

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Did you know you may qualify your Primary School for £1,345 worth of Pupil Premium Funding if you are entitled to benefit related free school meals?

If you think you may be entitled, please ask for further information at reception, check online at www.bathnes.gov.uk and search free school meals to see eligible benefits.

Apply online at <https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> or you can contact The Free School Meal Team on 01225 394317 to check your entitlement (if you leave a message we will call you back). All that is needed is your National Insurance Number, date of birth and your surname. *You can still apply for benefit related free school meals while receiving universal infant free school meals.*



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COOK IT

Five week online course for parents and children

Join a virtual group cookery session with optional cook along to discover how to make easy, healthy recipes

- Free recipe booklet and links to our **NEW** video recipes
- Support with meal planning and budgeting
- Every family who completes the course receives a **£25 supermarket voucher** to put towards buying ingredients or equipment for recipes

Upcoming course start dates – Wednesday 15th September 6-7pm (COOK IT for 9-5 working parents), Tuesday 21st September 4-5pm, Thursday 30th September 4-5pm

Call the Community Wellbeing Hub to find out more
Tel; 0300 2470050,
Email; BATHNES.thehub@virginicare.co.uk

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LEAP

LEAP is a free programme for families of children and young people who are above a healthy weight*

1-1 support via telephone or video call for children aged 5-10 (with family) and those aged 10-17 years

Covering topics around:

- Healthy food and drink swaps
- Physical Activity / active play
- The impact of screen time
- Why we make certain food choices



To book a place or find out more contact the Community Wellbeing Hub

t: 0300 247 0050
e: BATHNES.thehub@virginicare.co.uk / Kimberley.tyler@virginicare.co.uk

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*Referral Criteria apply

HENRY Healthy Families programme online

Even during this uncertain time, we're still here to help you give your little ones a great start in life.

The HENRY programme is completely **FREE** to join for parents and carers of children aged 0 to 5 years old.

We will send you details of how to join online.



The programme provides everything you need to help your little one get off to a great start.

We cover the 5 following themes across 8 weeks:

- Feeling more confident as a parent
- Physical activities for the little ones
- What children and the whole family eats
- Family lifestyle habits
- Enjoying life as a family

Each week there is a 1 hour live session and a couple of videos to watch before each session.

You'll also receive a free toolkit with lots of fantastic resources, delivered to your home.

The programme is an opportunity to share ideas and experiences with other families in a safe environment!

Programme details

Programmes run for 8 weeks with breaks during school holidays
Tuesdays from 14 Sep 1.30-2.30pm
Thursdays from 16 Sep 10.00 – 11.00am
Wednesdays from 24 Nov 1.30-2.30pm

Please note that each group has a maximum capacity of 6 families so please do get in touch if you would like to join us, in order to save your space and get your toolkit sent out in good time!



Get in touch to sign up now!

Contact Us

Bookings on HENRY courses are essential.
Telephone - Wellbeing Service Hub on 0300 247 0050
Email- BATHNES.thehub@virginicare.co.uk



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