



## TERM 1, ISSUE 1 (2018-19)

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. An extra special welcome to our new pupils and families who have joined us over the summer break. In Pluto class we welcome Darcy, Jacob, Evie, Adam, Dylan, Charlie, Oliver, Bradley, Lacey, Lydia, Chloe, Lenard, Ava, Henry and Daisy.

In Neptune class, we also welcome Mason who is joining us in Year 4. We are really looking forward to getting to know all of our new pupils and families over the coming year.

This year the Walking Bus will continue to depart from the Football Club at 8:30am every Friday so please come along, join us for a healthy walk to school, and help your child earn their monthly badge for walking at least one day every month.

I will be on the playground from 8.30 am on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings, Mrs Johnson will be on gate duty on Tuesdays and Mrs Trickey on Fridays. Please do not hesitate to come and see us with any questions, worries or concerns. Class teachers will also be available on the playground from 8:40 am each day.

**Mrs Sarah Stillie**



### THE CODRINGTON ARMS

Just a reminder that we ask all families to park in the Codrington Arms car park when bringing or collecting children from school. However, for school events that take place in the evening they have asked that it be reserved for pub customers only. For evening events please park on the road or the playground. We **do not** have permission to park in the **Cross Keys' car park at any time and please do not park on the Keep Clear markings.**

### WATER BOTTLES

Please can **ALL** children have a water bottle in school every day. These are kept either by the class sink or on their tables so they can have a drink during the day. Children are encouraged to take them home daily for cleaning and refilling. Children can refill their water bottles during the day and are encouraged to keep fluid levels up.



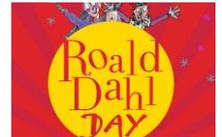
### ROALD DAHL DAY – THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

This year we will be taking part in a variety of fun activities to celebrate the work of Roald Dahl and his contribution to children's literature. **On Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> September** please can your child bring in an item/prop/clue that represents their favourite Roald Dahl book. In class, the children will be trying to work out which book the item is from! For example a model ladybird from James and the Giant Peach or a potion bottle from George's Marvellous Medicine. You can

make it as cryptic as you like but please keep it a secret! Other activities during the day will be:

- ✓ Draw the cover of their favourite Roald Dahl book.
- ✓ A writing activity linked to a Roald Dahl book.
- ✓ Joining in, with thousands of schools around the UK, to The Roald Dahl Day Show Live

What a fantastic day we will have!



### MEET THE TEACHER

'Meet the teacher' sessions for children in Mars, Neptune and Jupiter class are on **Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> September**. As there are many changes to the school day, including the launch of the Class Dojo App and new Maths Homework App, I would encourage you to pop along and meet your child's class teacher, both if your child is starting a new class or if your child is returning to their class in a new school year. The times for 'Meet the Teacher' are:

Mars:	3.30–3.50pm
Neptune:	3.50–4.10pm
Jupiter:	4.10–4.30pm

### STARS OF NORTH ROAD

Each Friday we give out certificates to children who have worked well in school. We also encourage pupils to bring in certificates awarded to them outside of school so that these achievements can be celebrated as well.

**On Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> September**, I would like all of the children who completed the **Summer Reading Challenge** to bring in their certificates so that we can celebrate this great achievement as a school.



### PREFECTS, HOUSE CAPTAINS, VICE-CAPTAINS AND LIBRARIANS

The teachers have been busy voting for a team of Year 6 Prefects. These pupils will be role models for the other children in school and consistently demonstrate all of our school values. Each prefect has special responsibilities throughout the school year and will be an ambassador for our school. Congratulations go to Cameron, who will start as Prefect for the new Sensory Area, Sophia: Prefect for Reception/KS1 nurture, Franklin: Prefect for assemblies, Mia: Prefect in charge of School Council and Dylan: Prefect for lunchtimes.

This year House Captains and Vice-Captains will be awarded the role for the whole year. Congratulations go out to Eve and Alexia who are House Captain and Vice-Captain for Jenner, Charlie and Tommy who are House Captain and Vice-Captain for Tyndale, Luke and Tyler who are House Captain and Vice-Captain for Brunel and Charley and Jayden who are the House Captain and Vice-Captain for Cabot.

This year our new school librarians will be opening daily for children to be able to borrow and enjoy reading our wide range of new books. The library will be organised and run by Imogen and Balazs who will be responsible for logging books in and out on our new computerised library system. We know that you will be fantastic in this new role.

This year we will be also introducing termly Inter House Sporting Events as we strive for our Gold School Games Award. These will be organised and led by our new Sports Leaders. These are Tyler, Tommy, Jayden and Alexia.

Congratulations to all of our Year 6 on being awarded their new positions. We know that you all will carry out your roles with responsibility and pride.

### NEW TOILET FACILITIES

This week our new KS2 toilets were officially opened! The children were very excited to see the colourful and modern new facilities. A huge 'Thank You' goes out to everyone who supported the fundraising by the Friends of North Road, Cllr Marian Gilpin who donated £1,000 towards the refurbishment project and to Saphier Plumbing and Heating, who worked all over the Summer Holidays to ensure that the project was completed in time for the start of the new Term. The washrooms look amazing and we could not have done it without all of you. Thank you.



### BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is open as usual. Children can be dropped off from 8.00am. The cost is **£1.50 entry** (no need to book) **plus the cost of breakfast.**



### SCHOOL MEALS AND TUCK SNACKS

We are delighted to share we will be having a new 'Fruity Treat Bowl' option on the tuck menu from **Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> September**. It will consist of a variety of fruits, including seasonal fruit, for example melon, grapes, kiwi, apples, oranges and strawberries. The Fruity Treat Bowl will cost 35p.

On **Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> September**, Integra Catering will be hosting a food tasting on the playground at 3.00pm so please come along and try out a selection of main dishes and desserts from the new menu. You will also be able to try out the new Fruity Treat Bowl.

The Tuck menu will still also include toast, milkshake and smoothies. Croissants will also be available on Fridays.

### LUNCH BOX REMINDER

Please look carefully when packing your child's lunchbox, as we are a Nut Free School. Food containing nuts or traces of nuts **must not** be brought into school, this includes Nutella chocolate spread.

In addition, as a Healthy School, sweets and chocolate bars **must not** be included in your child's lunch box.

Thank you for your support.



### SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER

It is lovely to see the children all dressed in their new school uniform and looking very smart.

As a reminder, children must have dark grey/black school trousers (**black denim or leggings are not allowed**) or skirts (**skirts must be long enough and loose enough to sit cross-legged on the floor**), a white or green polo shirt or a white shirt and a dark green jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan.

PE Uniform consists of black joggers (**not leggings**), a plain white T Shirt, a green school PE hoodie/sweatshirt (**not cardigan**) and black trainers.

If your child does not come to school in the correct school uniforms, they will be provided with spare uniform to wear until the correct uniform is provided.

In Mars and Pluto classes, the children also need to have a pair of named wellies that can stay in school.

Class	PE DAYS	
Pluto	Monday	Friday
Mars	Tuesday	Friday
Neptune	Monday	Friday
Jupiter	Wednesday	Friday

### CLUBS

Clubs will begin the week of **17<sup>th</sup> September**. A letter for you to make your club choices has been sent home this week and needs returning to school as soon as possible.

Multi-Sports Club is now being funded by School and will last for one hour.

### BIG MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> September** we will holding a Big Macmillan coffee morning from **10.00-11.30am**. We should be very grateful for donations of cakes to be brought into school on the morning of 28th September.

Please invite as many friends and family as you can to join us in order to make it the largest coffee morning ever!

The children will be invited to come into the hall at different times during the morning to buy themselves a cake for a donation.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.



### INSET DAYS 2018–2019

The remaining INSET days for this academic year are as follows:

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
 Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
 Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
 Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019



## ATTENDANCE AND HOLIDAYS

Our School Policy (in line with the DfE Education Regulations and local schools) states that parents may request a holiday in exceptional circumstances. This request must be put in writing to the Head Teacher, at least two weeks before, fully explaining the reason for the request.

The Head Teacher will consider each request carefully and will look at the child's attendance over the last twelve months.

**Permission for absence will only be granted in exceptional circumstances, where the reason for the request is very clear.**



South Glos Music Hub is hosting a 'Hands On' event where students will be able to try out all the instruments that we teach.

This is a fantastic way to inspire your child to start instrumental lessons and join a band or orchestra. South Glos Music Hub offer lessons on the following instruments, and you can try them all!

STRINGS: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass

WOODWIND: Flute, Recorder, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon, Saxophone,

BRASS: Cornet, Trumpet, Trombone, Tenor Horn, French Horn, Tuba

OTHER: Guitar (Classical and Electric), Bass Guitar, Piano, Voice, Drum Kit, Percussion

It won't be long until your child is ready to join one of our development centres on a Saturday morning. This is when the fun really starts as they can join one of our bands or orchestras, make new friends and have fun performing around the county.

There are different types of lesson to suit your budget and you can hire one of our instruments to get started straight away. Please contact us for more information and we are happy to answer any questions. We look forward to welcoming you!

<https://southglosmusicub.eventbrite.co.uk>

TERM 1 & 2 2018-2019 DATES FOR THE DIARY	
12/9	'Meet the teacher' sessions. 3:30-3:50 - Mars 3:50-4:10 - Neptune 4:10-4:30 - Jupiter
13/9	Roald Dahl Day- come with a prop or clue to your favourite book
15/9	3.00pm Food tasting on playground
18/9	Afternoon tea for new YR parents
19/9	Y5 Pedestrian training
26/9	Y5 Pedestrian training
27/9	MacMillan coffee morning from 10.0 –11.30am
28/9	11.00am YR 2019 Visit
3/10	NSPCC Assembly
4/10	am - Individual and Sibling Photos
4/10	1.30pm YR 2019 Visit
11/10	am - Year 4 cycling proficiency
12/10	11.00am YR 2019 Visit
18/10	1.30pm YR 2019 Visit
24/10	Open classroom afternoon
25/10	am – Year 4 cycling proficiency
26/10	Inset Day
<b>29/10-2/11</b>	<b>Half-term</b>
5/11	Back to school
7/11	Year 6 camp
9/11	11.00am YR 2019 Visit
9/11	Year 6 return from camp
14/11	Parents' evening 3:30-6.00pm
15/11	11.00am YR 2019 Visit
15/11	Parents' evening 3:30-6:00pm
29/11	11.00am YR 2019 Visit
11/12	2.00pm Pluto and Mars Christmas play
12/12	9.15am Pluto and Mars Christmas play
20/12	2.00pm Drama club performance
21/12	2.00pm Carol concert- all invited
21/12	End of term

