

Bathampton Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end of April I want to thank you again for following our protocols here at Bathampton.

I am sure, like me, you are enjoying the gradual lifting of COVID restrictions and I am anticipating some of these changing soon for schools if the numbers remain low. If restrictions within schools are to be lifted we will be notified by the government and I will inform you as soon as we hear anything. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

Next week we have the individual photographs and we hope for good weather so we can do these outside.

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Mr Brewer
Headteacher

Upcoming Events

May 3rd – Bank Holiday

May 4th – Individual school photographs

Parent Meetings – 11th, 12th, 13th May

May 20th - Sports day (we will take videos and photos and make a virtual version for parents to view)

May 28th – End of term 5

June 7th – Inset day

June 8th – Term Six starts

June 21st – E-safety day

July 10th – Library Opening! + Friends events

Assemblies

During the week we continue to have our whole school assemblies. On Tuesdays I still stream these live from my office. However, on Fridays, for the whole school celebration assembly, we've been having these outside with two separate ones for KS1 and KS2. The children have loved seeing one another and celebrating each other's successes!

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Bath Rotary Club Poster Competition

We have decided to make this years a Virtual event, see www.bathfestivalofmotoring.com which will keep the event alive and hopefully raise some much needed funds for the nominated charities :-

www.dorothyhouse.org.uk who provide compassionate care and support for people in our community with a life-limiting illness.

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Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs Reynolds and her wife who welcomed Meryn into the world on 21.3.21 at 7lbs and 1oz!



E-Safety Day

E-safety expert, Karl Hopwood will be holding a parent e-safety information evening, via TEAMS on June 21st. More information will follow nearer the time.



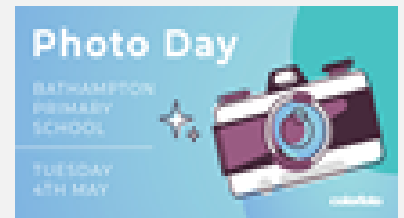
& www.novasportsandcoaching.co.uk a not for profit organisation which delivers high-quality inclusive sport to individuals of all abilities.

To make the event interesting to all ages we have decided to run a Road Safety poster competition inviting school children to design a poster about always buckling up in the car, holding hands to cross the street or looking both ways before crossing the street are just some ideas. This is similar to the successful Fireworks Poster competition that we have run every year.

There will be prizes and certificates awarded and the poster will be featured on our website and social media pages, please find a form to submit entries on our aforementioned www.bathfestivalofmotoring.com website.

Thank you

A huge well done and thank you to Amber Hunter-Evans in year 4. She decided that she wanted fund raise to help the school with any litter picking. She did a sponsored read independently and raised enough money to buy two litter pickers! Thank you Amber!



Individual photographs are taking place on Tuesday 4th May. Please ensure children wear their white polo shirt and school sweatshirt for the photographs. Children who have PE on this day can wear usual PE trousers/shorts with their polo shirt and school sweatshirt.

There will be no sibling photographs taking place.

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Amazing fundraising by the staff!

Mrs Evans inspired lots of teachers to take part in the Virtual 7 K Bath running event to raise money for the school and the charity 'Young Minds.' Many teachers, teaching assistants and parents took up the challenge, and ran at least 5k over hills, valleys, canal tow paths and quiet roads in and around Bath. A huge well done to everyone and Mrs Evans for prompting us to dust of our running shoes and get out in the fresh air.



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Friends

Welcome back to everyone for Term 5, and we really hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Easter break fuelled by chocolate! All the children seemed delighted with their little Easter goodies on the last day, and hope they had fun with their little craft project too.

We wanted to give you a little update on the progress being made in school, thanks to the amazing fundraising within the school community.;

LIBRARY

The final shelving is being built this week, so that the books can then be sorted onto them. The teachers are sorting through the current book stock and finalising their wish list to be purchased. A big thank you must also go to those parents who have kindly donated some books they no longer require - it is so appreciated. As a note, any books that we have received but are not suitable due to age or duplication, we will gift to the Bathampton Playgroup or a local Charity.



PLAYGROUND

With regard to the playground, our previous Headmistress, Anna Grayson, very generously left a donation to the school as part of her will. This has not only enabled us to fund the school contribution towards the building work for the new entrance, but has also provided us with some funds to help improve our outdoor areas for both play and learning.

A huge shout-out must also go to Paul 'Oz' Osbourne, who has dedicated his time and worked so hard behind the scenes to co-ordinate the removal of the old train, and to also work with several companies to ensure we are getting value for money with the new chosen equipment.

There will be new play huts with seating down the side of the playground to replace the train, and after much discussion with the school council we have now agreed on a new play-area at the entrance to the field. This will have a range of sections so that it is suitable for all year groups. The children have chosen the colour scheme and interestingly the wood finish got the most votes!

We are very hopeful that it can be installed in the May half-term, so the children can enjoy it for the summer.



With covid restrictions gradually being lifted, we are feeling positive that we will be able to go ahead with our annual Summer Fayre on Saturday 10th July. This is however not a final decision until the June announcement from the Government as to whether the final restrictions will be lifted, at which time we very much hope we will be able to confirm this date.

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Based on the event being able to go ahead, this will be a more relaxed and simple occasion with live music, food, drink and individual class stalls. More detail will obviously follow, once the future guidelines have been announced.

In the meantime, if there are any parents or friends of parents who would like to be part of the music line-up - whether as a DJ or playing live - we would love to hear from you please! And if anyone has some PA equipment that we could kindly borrow for the event, we would be grateful to hear from you.

For music and PA help, please contact Jo McDiarmid via email adcock.jo@gmail.com

And finally, just wonderful to be able to present a cheque to Young Minds, with a percentage of the money raised from the Virtual Run earlier this year. A very worthy cause, I am sure you will agree.

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