



# Bournville Junior School Newsletter

Friday 26th May 2017

Dear Parents,

The end of this half term has crept up on us very quickly and we have squeezed lots in to a short space of time. There is a great deal of work going on 'behind the scenes' for transition, both for our incoming Year 3 and outgoing Year 6. Information is being shared with key staff to ensure the moves to new schools are as smooth as possible. You can, of course, contact new schools direct if you would like to; just ask at the office for help with finding contact numbers if you need it.

The hot weather has, as usual, taken us somewhat by surprise, so it has been good to see so many children wearing sun cream and bringing hats and cold drinks. If hats and water bottles could be clearly labelled so that they are easily returned, it would be very helpful. We have made a huge effort to return lost property to owners today. However, we still have a number of items left, so please come into school and look in the boxes whenever you get the chance.

This week we have said goodbye to Mrs Howarth, a much-valued teaching assistant who has worked at BJS for nearly 14 years. Tears have been shed this week. Both staff and pupils will miss her greatly and I'm sure you will join us in wishing her all the best for a relaxing retirement.

*Claire Williams*

## ATTENDANCE

### High Attendance = High Achievement

Congratulations to class 3M for achieving 99.7% week ending 19th May. Well done to you all.

## SCHOOL MEALS

The cost of school meals for the next half term (5th June - 21st July) is £76.50. Please note that Founders' Day has been deducted.

## LUNCH TIME SUPERVISOR REQUIRED

**Lunch Time Supervisor role, ensuring the safety and welfare of children at lunchtime.**

Monday to Friday 12 noon – 1.22 p.m. term time only. £8.14 - £9.75 per hour.  
To start as soon as possible.

Contact the school office on 675 9098 for further details and an application form.

**Deadline for applications is Friday 9th June.**

A positive approach to working with children is essential, as is a commitment to our safeguarding procedures.

## DATES FOR DIARIES

- 26th May** - Dads' drinks, 8pm British Oak
- 14th June** - Year 6 Choir - Spirit of Birmingham Concert, Symphony Hall, 4-7pm
- 15th June** - Year 3 Class Assembly
- 16th June** - Year 6 Leavers' Photos
- 17th June** - Year 3 & 4 Choir Concert - Bournville Young Singers, Ruddock Performing Arts Centre, 6pm
- 23rd June** - Founders' Day - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
- 30th June** - PTA Quiz Night, tables of 10, £6 pp <http://bournvillehsa.wordpress.com/quiz-night>
- 8th July** - Choir concert with Phoenix Singers and James Jones - Bramhall Concert hall, 7pm
- 11th & 12th July** - Year 6 Residential to York
- 13th July** - PTA School Disco - Years 2 & 3 - 3.25-4.50pm and Years 4,5 & 6, 6.00-7.30pm
- 19th July** - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 2.00-3.00pm
- 19th July** - Year 6 Leavers' BBQ - 3.00-5.30pm
- 19th July** - Year 6 Leavers' Party - 6.00-7.00pm
- 20th July** - Choir - Primary School Gala performance
- 21st July** - Last day of Summer term



## COMMUNITY NEWS

### ST FRANCIS FLOWER FESTIVAL & BOURNVILLE HERITAGE DAY

**Friday 8th September - Monday 11th September**

St Francis church is holding a Flower Festival and would like you to take part. The festival coincides with National Heritage day on September 9th and is an important part of our Organ Appeal. If you are interested, please contact Annette Booth for more information.

### KING EDWARDS SCHOOL

**Open Evening - Tuesday 20th June 6-8pm**

**Open Morning -Saturday 16th September**

For further information contact Mrs Nicole Phillips,  
Director of Admissions on 0121 415 6056

### BOURNVILLE YOUNG SINGERS

#### SUMMER CONCERT

**Saturday 17th June - 6pm**

Songs from the shows including Sound of Music; My Fair Lady; The Lion King; Frozen; Les Miserables and Oliver. Ruddock Performing Arts Centre, King Edwards Schools, Edgbaston Park Road, B15 2UA

Tickets in advance: £8 adult; £4 child (£10 and £5 on the door) available from Box Office 0121 472 9585

### AUTISM SHOW

#### BIRMINGHAM NEC

**Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th June**

National event for autism offering information, help and advice on autism (including Asperger syndrome). Guest speakers from CAT: Kathryn Houlahan - Reducing Anxiety and Stress in Pupils to Aid Inclusion in Schools (Friday 11.35am) and Lana Grant - Autism Girls: Strategies for Success (Saturday 10.25am)

### BIRMINGHAM MUSEUMS

#### Opening doors: Morning Explorers

Birmingham Museums will be opening early for families with children on the Autistic Spectrum so they can explore in a quiet and welcoming environment. Half price admission, plus one free carer place. Places must be pre-booked: 0121 348 8000.

Thinktank 21st October 9-11am, Blakesley Hall Saturday 3rd June 9-11am, Soho House Saturday 5th August 9-11am, Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery Saturday 2nd December 9-10am.

## MUSIC NEWS



Our musicians are gearing up for what will be a wonderful end to our year with both choirs taking part in a wide range of concerts and all musicians taking part in one of our 3 summer concerts.

### Cure Leukaemia Concert June 24th

Letters have been sent out to all choir members in Years 3 to 6 inviting them to take part in this concert. The concert is being organised by Sarah Baker, the composer of last year's Christmas production, in aid of Leukaemia Research and she has invited children from Colmore, Watermill and BJS to sing. This concert is free of charge, with donations being taken. There is a rehearsal at 5.30pm and the concert starts at 7pm. If your child is not a member of the choir, but would like to take part, do let me know and I will provide some music to learn. Letters are available from the office.

### Spirit of Birmingham CBSO Project

Last Thursday, we welcomed members of the CBSO into school to work with some of our Year 6 musicians on the newly commissioned work, which they helped to compose, 'The Great Bull Stands'. The CBSO were extremely impressed by how well prepared the children were, their musicianship and enthusiasm. To take part in the world premiere of this piece in the Symphony Hall on June 14th will be an amazing experience for all involved.

### Bournville Young Singers' Project

Today our Year 3 and 4 choir worked with Anne Ellis, the director of Bournville Young Singers. The children learnt actions to the songs, and are really looking forward to the concert on June 17th.

### Choir next year

I wanted to let you know that choir for next year will remain on a Friday from 3.30pm – 4.30pm. This choir is open to Year 4, 5, and 6 children. There will also be a choir for Year 3 children at 8.30am on a Fridays.

### Peripatetic Music Lessons

All payment for this terms music lessons should now have been received via parent pay.

### Summer Concerts

Letters have been sent to all those children involved in this year's summer concerts. The dates of these concerts are:

**Thursday 22nd June 6pm - Upper School Summer Concert:** all Year 5 and 6 musicians (except guitar and ukulele players) and choir members.

**Friday 30th June 2pm - Lower School Summer Concert:** all Year 3 and 4 musicians (except guitar and ukulele players) and choir members.

**Friday 7th July 2.30pm - Guitar and Ukulele Concert:** all guitar and ukulele players including all of year 4.

If you have any music queries please email me on [c.vaughan@bnvillej.bham.sch.uk](mailto:c.vaughan@bnvillej.bham.sch.uk) or leave a message with the school office.