

Bournville Junior School Newsletter

Friday 2nd February 2018

Dear Parents,

Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone who made the effort to 'Go Orange' today for the National Muscular Dystrophy Charity; we managed to raise £327.78, which will go towards researching a cure. Children enjoyed completing some of the activities, which gave them more insight into this condition.

Yesterday, the whole of Year 6 headed off up the M6 to the Imperial War Museum in Manchester. Their beautiful behaviour was commented upon by the IWM staff; it is a real compliment to the children that we get this feedback when they are out representing our school. The information they have gathered will support their Learning Adventure topic this term.

This time last week, many of our choir members were off to the Genting Arena to join 6000 other children singing at this year's Young Voices Concert. A fantastic time was had by all, even if there were a few tired people over the weekend!

We would like to thank all of our parent helpers who come along and make these type of visits possible, as well as supporting our weekly visits to DEC for cooking. We could not do them without your help.

Over the last two weeks, two student teachers from the Sorbonne in Paris have been sharing their language skills with children across the school. As well as giving the children some insight into life in France, the students went away having learned more about primary schooling in England.

At Governors' Pupil and Staff Welfare Committee recently, governors looked at attendance, including the staff absence policy, and the termly safeguarding report. They also reflected on the recent governor visits to school.

Finally, well done to those children who were selected for the January Values Tea Party for demonstrating challenge and excellence; we are very proud of all your effort and hard work.

Mrs Williams

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday 6th February marks **Safer Internet Day 2018!**This year's theme is 'Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you". Take a look at

www.saferinternet.org.uk for ideas on how to support your child to keep safe online.

SEND PUPIL PROFILE REVIEWS

A letter should have come home with your child this week regarding Pupil Profile reviews - if you were expecting a letter but didn't receive one, please contact Mrs Woodall. Dates for the reviews will take place as follows:

Year 3 - Thursday 15th February

Year 4 - Friday 16th February

Year 5 - Friday 9th February

Year 6 - Wednesday 14th February

ONLINE SAFETY

As you know, it is online safety day on February 6th, when we will be highlighting online safety with our children as part of the on-going education around this very important subject. In addition though, we feel we should make you aware of some of the concerns that have been raised around a popular game called ROBLOX. This is a user-generated gaming platform where you can create your own games or play games that other users have made. There is also the option to chat to other players. We wanted to make sure parents are aware that children using the game are able to talk to strangers, make in-app purchases and have people add them who they do not know. This is the link to the NSPCC online safety pages 'Net Aware', where further advice and information can be found:

https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/roblox/
Further links can be found on the school website under 'parent zone- online safety', including the NSPCC link.

URGENT!

B30 FOODBANK IS IN CRISIS - CAN YOU HELP?

Food stocks have diminished and supplies of non-perishable goods are desperately needed to help our local families and individuals

YOU can make a difference by donating the following food:

Baked beans Biscuits Cereals Custard tinned or powder

Fruit juice—longer life Hot chocolate Instant coffee Jam

Macaroni cheese Pasta Pasta sauces Potato mash Rice Rice pudding Snack bars Squash Steamed puddings Tinned fish Sugar Tinned meat Tinned spaghetti Tinned potatoes **Tinned puddings** Tinned tomatoes UHT whole milk Tinned vegetables Carrier bags

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YEAR 3 SWIMMING

Pupils attend a daily 45 minute swimming session for 10 consecutive days, where 2 qualified swimming instructors lead the sessions. This year, swimming sessions for Year 3 will run throughout February and March 2018. Letters providing more information will be sent home prior to these dates.

3S will be swimming from Monday 5th February to Friday 16th February.

3RB will be swimming from Monday 26th February to Friday 9th March.

3A will be swimming from Monday 12th March to Friday 23rd March.

ATTENDANCE

High Attendance = High Achievement

Congratulations to class **5E** for achieving **99.4%** week ending 19th January and to class **5T** for achieving **100%** week ending 26th January. Congratulations also to **5E** who have won the trophy for the best class attendance figure for the month. The January figure was **99.5%**.

Well done to you all!

MUSIC NEWS

Wow! Another great concert at the Genting Arena with Young Voices. We're so proud of all the children who took part in the concert on Friday 26th January. Not only did they sing brilliantly but they represented the school wonderfully. It was a very long day but so worthwhile. Thank you to all the staff and parents who made this event possible. Be warned we have already pre-registered for next year.



Visit the School blog to read Lottie Roberts' report of the day.

PERIPATETIC MUSIC LESSONS & CHOIR PAYMENT

All music lessons for this half term and choir payments should now have been received by the school.

WRITTEN NOTICE TO STOP MUSIC LESSONS

I must remind you that the school must receive **in writing** the wish to stop music lessons. This must be addressed to Claire Vaughan and not the instrument music teacher. Any written request to stop can only be made at the end of each term.

ALL CHOIRS

Please note that there will be NO Year 3 choir practice on Friday 9th February and NO Year 4, 5, & 6 choir practice on Friday February 16th.

GUITAR & UKULELE SPECTACULAR — Friday 16th March at 2.00 p.m.

As Mr Reed will be taking paternity leave in the summer term, we have decided to hold our annual guitar and ukulele spectacular on Friday 16th March. All children currently learning the guitar and ukulele, including all of Year 4,will be performing. The concert will be held in the school hall and start at 2.00 pm. All parents of those children performing are welcome to attend.

Please note that there will be no Guitar, Ukulele or Keyboard Lessons on Thursday 15th February. These lessons will be made up on Thursday 29th March.

BIRMINGHAM CONTEMPORARY MUSIC GROUP DEBUSSY PROJECT

Children who are taking part in this project have been given a letter to take home today. Please return the acceptance slip as soon as possible, as spaces are limited. This project involves 6 schools from across the city that will use Debussy's piano piece 'Children's Corner' to create their own music. The schools will then come together at the end of March to perform their compositions at the CBSO Centre.

If you have any music queries please contact me via the school office or on c.vaughan@bnvillej.bham.sch.uk.

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