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## *Newsletter 4*

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thanks to all families, children and staff colleagues for making Term 1 such a success at Elm Park. My staff team and I look forward to heading at full-speed through Term 2 and charging towards Christmas with you all - after a few well-deserved sleeps.

I'm sure everyone will join with me to thank Jo Baker for all her wonderful work and support during her many years supporting families at Elm Park. Jo leaves our office today for a full-time opportunity at another very lucky primary school. Good luck Jo!

Claire King is also joining a new school, although if your children attend Breakfast Club, you will still see her in the mornings. We wish Claire the very best for the future as we thank her for her considerable contribution to school life. It is hard to say goodbye to anyone in a successful team, but our colleagues leave with our grateful thanks, our sincerest best wishes and with a few tears from close colleagues I'm absolutely sure. Thank you Claire!

Golden Tickets are sent out today for Friday awards after half-term hols. Please don't forget to email in any Roll of Honour information as soon as possible. I'm sure there are many more names and accomplishments that need a mention.

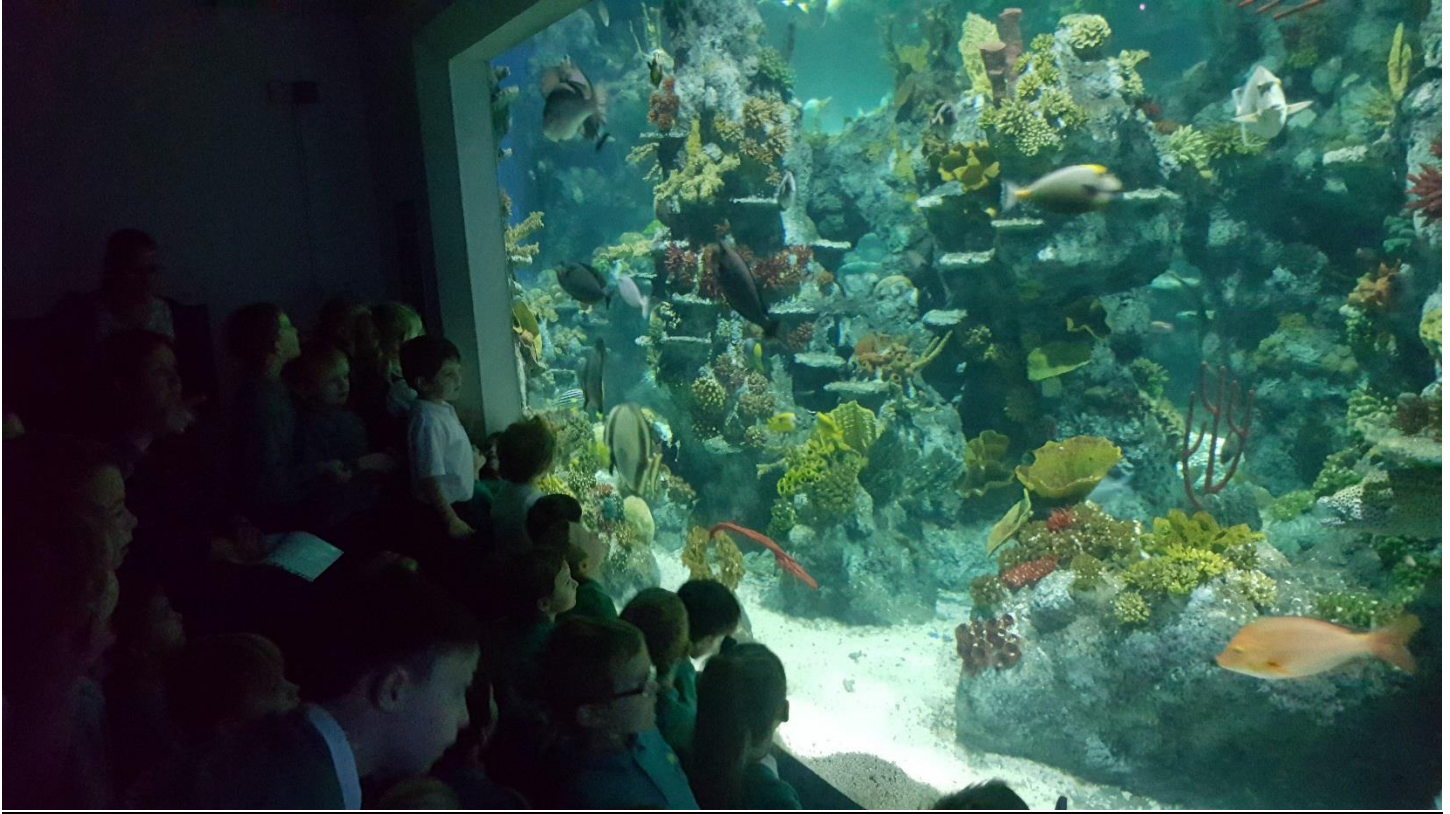
Wishing everyone a good break.

Andrew Evans



## Bristol Aquarium Trip

This week, EYFS and KS1 went to Bristol Aquarium to further support their topic learning this term. All of the children thoroughly enjoyed the trip and were enthralled by the sea creatures they saw. We learned lots of new interesting facts about electric eels, turtles, crabs and seahorses to name but a few and we were able to handle real shark eggs (mermaids purses) and shark jaws. The children were well behaved and represented the school well. A huge thanks to parent helpers and staff without whom school trips would not be possible.



### **New Menu Food Tasting**

Mrs Moore our Kitchen Manager is offering a food tasting afternoon for parents and carers, with delicious samples of the new menu coming home with your child today. She will be serving from 3pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November in the school hall. Coffees and teas also available.

### **Firework Menu for 6<sup>th</sup> November**

Sky Rockets (jumbo hotdogs), Big Bangs (veggie hotdogs), Jumping Jackets (jacket potato wedges), Catherine Wheels (corn on the cob), Sparklers (baked beans) with Cosmic Rain (toffee apple cupcakes).



Planning is well under way for the inaugural Frome Valley 10k, a multi-terrain 10k race to raise funds for Elm Park. Whether you are a seasoned runner or someone who wants a personal challenge, places will go on sale at the start of January. But there are so many other ways you can contribute to the success of this event other than running.

- Do you work for a company that would like one of our sponsorship places?
- Can you/your company donate water, bananas, flapjacks or chocolate for our finishers?
- Are you a carpenter or someone who likes working with wood? We have a special project in mind and would love for you to get in touch!
- Would you and your children like to be part of our cheer squad along the route?
- Could you help us marshal?
- Could you help organise the cake sale, BBQ, work on the bag drop or registration tables, help hand out goody bags, t-shirts or medals to our finishers?
- Do you have any services or skills you think could be of use?

Details will soon be available on our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/thefromevalley10k/> and you can get in touch by email at [elmparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:elmparkptfa@gmail.com). We are sure it will be a great day out in April!

## **PTFA News**

### 2017/18 Committee

Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM earlier this month. We are pleased to announce this year's committee:

**Co-Chairs:** Tory Corin and Sophie Gosiewski

**Co-Secretaries:** Stuart Kellock and Jane Parsons

**Treasurer(s):** Richard Turton and Emma Winslade

### Winter Disco – 17 November

Due to the year 5 and 6 trips taking place in October this year, we needed to move the first disco to term 2.

**Reception and KS1 disco will be 3:30-4:30 pm; KS2 disco will be 4:45-6:15 pm.** Volunteer sign-up sheets will be displayed by the school office after half term. We will be asking for a few extra parents to help us, particularly at the end of KS2 disco, with handing off the children, so even if you are unable to help at the disco but can come a little earlier than 6:15 to help at the end we'd be very grateful!

### Christmas Fair – 1 December 5-7 pm

Mark your calendars for the Christmas Fair - Friday 1 December 5-7 pm! It will be a great family event with Santa's grotto, Christmas games and crafts, present sales, adopt-a-teddy, mulled wine, hot chocolate, mince pies and much more. A letter with more details will be sent home at the beginning of next term.

### Fundraising initiatives

We have a number of ongoing fundraising initiatives which will help us raise funds through your everyday purchases – at no extra cost to you.

- Stikins labels – quote our fundraising number when ordering: 35777 or visit: <https://www.stikins.co.uk/?NAME-LABELS=35777>.
- Make online purchases through easyfundraising.org.uk: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/elmparkprimaryschoolptfa/>

***Further details of our fundraising and all 2017/18 PTFA event dates can be found at the PTFA website: <http://www.elmparkprimary.com/pta-get-involved/>, you can contact us anytime at [elmparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:elmparkptfa@gmail.com), and don't forget to 'like' the Elm Park PTFA News Facebook page to stay up to date with all our events!***