



Dates for your diary

19.01.2023 – Year 1 families staying for lunch.

19.1.2023 – Census day

Bikeability for year 6 group 2:

23.1.2023, 30.1.2023, 06.02.2023

31.1.2023 – Lego Robotics Challenge

Swimming for year 5:

20.1.2023, 27.1.2023, 03.02.2023,
10.02.2023

9.2.2023 Valentines Disco

10.2.2023 – Last day of term

Important notice

Please do not park on the Zigzag lines. They are there to keep our children safe.

Help us to raise our attendance levels by only booking holidays during school closure times.

Many thanks



All of our incredible staff team for organising such an inspiring Bang Day for our children to enjoy.

Thank you to families who are actively reading 5 times per week with their children and recording it in their reading diaries – this truly makes a huge difference to your child's long term outcomes.

Thank you to all of our families for their open and honest responses to our questionnaire.

Our new school update: Yesterday, I was in a progress meeting for the new build. Currently, the school is progressing on schedule. The windows should be fitted over the next few weeks!

Note from Mrs Bond...

Inspiring:

Wow! What an incredible response we have received in relation to our parental questionnaire. At the time of writing the newsletter, we have received 125 replies out of a possible 215.

I am delighted to say that 96.8% of parents would recommend our school. 99% of children feel safe and happy at school. 93% of parents feel that behaviour is good or better within the school.

96% of families have said that either their child has not been bullied or that if there had been any issues, they had been dealt with quickly and effectively. There are many more wonderful responses, which I look forward to sharing with you in full next week and I will endeavour to answer all of the brilliant questions posed. Thank you to all of those who responded. The individual comments will all be shared with Governors and my senior leadership team to help us continue to improve our wonderful school.

Enriching:

What an incredible start to the term our children have had. It was wonderful to show new families around our school during our Bang day. The children all engaged with our Science Technology Engineering and Maths focus through helping to solve problems for characters in traditional tales. As I walked around the school, I saw incredible team work as children tried to work out how Jack could throw the golden egg safely down the beanstalk as well as children working out if Rapunzel could really be saved by someone climbing up her hair! The level of engineering was simply astonishing! I have included some pictures below of some of the wonderful experiments conducted.

Achieving:

This week saw our second group of Elm Park Stars. This is an award that has been newly created this year for children who always go above and beyond in school. Not only do these children always follow the golden rules, they also actively engage in wider school life and challenge themselves on a daily basis.

Parents of our Elm Park Stars were invited into school to join us to celebrate and were able to stay for a hot chocolate. A huge congratulations to all of the children in today's assembly. I wonder who will be next...

Finally, the closing date for September 2023 admissions is Sunday 15th January. If you know anyone who has a children that is due to start in September, please remind them of this very important date. It has been a true delight to check the portal this week and see the huge number of applications we have had!

Wishing you all a very happy weekend.

Carol Bond

PE and Sports News

This week, a team of 12 Year 5 pupils have started their role as playleaders in the KS1 playground. They support the younger children at playtimes by setting up active, fun games and playing these with the children. Thank you very much to Lacey, Lexi, Mia, Albie, Harry, Ollie, Indie, Sienna, Kristina, Senuli, Emily and Bella for their time, enthusiasm and kindness.

Year 5 have started swimming lessons this term and they have showed wonderful behaviour and respect during these. We are looking forward to giving this opportunity to Year 4 children later in the year.

We have had a brilliant start to the new after school sports clubs. We are very fortunate to have Frampton Cotterell Rugby club running sessions for our Year 3 and 4 children on Wednesdays. The children are loving the club and we are very grateful to Rob for running it. It is free and there are still a few spaces available if your child is interested in joining. Progressive Sports are now running Dodgeball clubs on Mondays (Y3 – 6) and Fridays (Reception – Y2). The children are having lots of fun at these and they go home at the end with big smiles and rather sweaty faces! Again, there are still some spaces available so please visit <https://progressive-sports-south-glos-bristol.class4kids.co.uk/> if you would like to sign up.

House Point News

We have started Term 3 with lots of house points being earned. The children have been rewarded for following our Golden Rules during lessons, in home learning, and at playtimes and lunchtimes.

Our current totals are

1st = Red - 2228

2nd = Blue - 2176

3rd = Green - 2051

4th = Yellow - 1964

Photographs from our Bang Day

