



Dear Parents/Carers,

The academic year is well underway and children have settled in to school life brilliantly. There are many ways that you can find out about what your child is learning at school including by exploring the [curriculum overviews](#) prepared by each class teacher on our website. In a few weeks time, we look forward to welcoming you in to your child's classroom (open classroom) where you can celebrate your child's learning in person.

A huge thank you to the FoW for organising a wonderful Welcome BBQ for our school community which raised a staggering £899.48. It was lovely to see so many members of our community enjoying the afternoon. We look forward to the next event!

As always, if you have any questions please ask your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Best wishes,

Emily Harris  
Headteacher



As part of our harvest celebration, children are invited to bring in non-perishable items on the morning of Friday 13th October. All donations will be given to Counterslip Cares food bank.

Term 1

## Key dates

- o Tuesday 26th September- Children's individual photographs
  - o Wednesday 4th October- Parent tour EYFS intake 2024 1.30pm
  - o Monday 9th October- Open Classroom for Parent/Carers (3pm-3.15pm)
  - o Tuesday 10th October- Parents evening, for parents of children in Little Acorns (further information to follow)
  - o Tuesday 10th October- World Mental Health Day, the school community are invited to wear yellow #helloyellow
  - o Wednesday 11th October- Parents evening, for parents of children in Little Acorns (further information to follow)
  - o Wednesday 11th October- Welcome parent/carer coffee morning (9am-10am, in Cedar).
  - o Thursday 12th October- Open Classroom for Parent/Carers (3pm-3.15pm)
  - o Friday 13th October- Children to bring in harvest food donations.
  - o Friday 13th October- EYFS parent workshop: What is phonics and how can I support my child at home? (2.45-3.15pm)
  - o Tuesday 17th October- FoW Ks1 film night (3.20-4.15pm). Tickets sold by FoW.
  - o Thursday 19th October- Ks2 film night (3.20- 5pm). Tickets sold by FoW.
  - o Friday 20 October- last day of term
  - o Monday 31st October- inset day, school closed to children
- Term dates for the academic year 2023-24 can be found [here](#).

## Reminders

- Letters have been sent out via email to parents/carers in years 2, 4 and 6 about upcoming camp meetings.
- We ask that children do not climb on any play equipment or facilities such as bikes stands at school drop off and pick up times.
- Parking on the yellow zigzag lines will block the view of the school entrance. This will endanger the lives of children wanting to cross the road on their way to and from school. Please do not park on the yellow zigzag lines.
- For the health and safety of our children, parents/carers and staff, children must not be present in the carpark at any time before, during or at the end of the school day.

# Celebrations

Congratulations to the children photographed below who have been awarded a certificate of achievement in this week's celebration assembly.



Here are some of our children's leadership teams who are an essential part of our school community.



## Attendance

### Attendance award winners

Week 1 - Year 4 (99.4)

Week 2 - Year 4 (99%)

Week 3 - Year 4 (97.7%)

Overall attendance 95% (school target- 96%)

The school's [attendance policy](#) can be found on our school website and an informative school attendance information leaflet can be found [here](#).

## Teacher welcome meetings

If you were unable to attend your child's 'Teacher welcome meeting', please find the relevant presentation on Seesaw and our school website.

# Exciting highlights...

Year 4 have been learning how to follow a biscuit recipe including:

- cracking & beating an egg
- mixing to form a bread dough,
- kneading & shaping dough
- cutting fat into flour and rubbing fat into flour.
- modifying a recipe



Over the last few weeks, children have been apply for different leadership roles. Year 6 house captain presentations were brilliant.

Year 3 have been busy cooking pizzas this week.

- Children learnt how to:
- follow a recipe to make a pizza
  - mix to form a bread dough
  - knead and shape dough
  - rub fat into flour



The 'open the book' team visited Wansdyke this week and as always children enjoyed a wonderful assembly. Thank you to the brilliant volunteers who looked great in costume and impressed with their acting skills.



# Welcome BBQ highlights ...



# Useful information ..

Bristol Parent Carers are excited to invite you to three fantastic, no-cost events happening over the next few weeks. These sessions are all about providing you with the knowledge and support you need to champion your child's and family's well-being.

Click [here](#) to book.



BeeZee Bodies work with Bristol Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyle support for families.



The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Food Champions have put together a resource which shares information around Food Services in the South Bristol area.

Food services: South Bristol  
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