



'Living and Learning through Christ'



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to all our families following what I hope was an enjoyable summer break for you.

We extend a warm welcome to our new pupils who have joined us in Pre-school and Reception class, as well as those who have enrolled in other year groups throughout the school.

The children look so smart in their uniforms and are well prepared for the new term – thank you parents and carers. They are a credit to you!

Bristol School Streets Project Reminder



A reminder that Gladstone Road is officially closed to non-residential traffic **8:45-9:05am and 3:15-3:35pm**, this also includes deliveries, dustbin/recycling collections and other traffic related to the school. This allows our pupils to travel securely between the school playground and the main road. Disability blue badges should be displayed in order to use the road during these times.

New Fossey road will be closed from Friday 5th September for five days, excluding the weekend.

We would advise parents who drive their child to school to park in the carpark of Asda, Whitchurch as no doubt the closure will cause chaos in the small roads around the school locality.



After School Clubs

In addition to our Monday to Thursday wrap-around care after school club, there are a variety of clubs available:



- Monday – Zumba (information can be found at the end of this newsletter)
- Wednesday – Gymnastics <https://signaturesportscoaching.ipalbookings.com/>
- Thursday – Football - <https://signaturesportscoaching.ipalbookings.com/>



Unfortunately, there are no available spaces in Lee's Friday Football club.

Playtime Snacks

In line with new Government guidelines, we are required to make changes to the snacks that children are able to eat in school. The purpose of the new guidance is to help children develop healthy eating habits from an early age.

From this point forward, the children are only allowed to have fruit and vegetables to eat at break time. Fruit winders/fruit yoyo style snacks are not acceptable due to the high sugar content.

Please ensure that snacks such as grapes, cherry tomatoes and strawberries are prepared appropriately (especially for pre-school and Reception age children).



Please ensure that children's bottles contain water only. Thank you in advance for your support.





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Attendance and Punctuality

Our focus on consistent attendance and punctuality remains a priority for the academic year ahead. Regular attendance and punctuality are not only important for your child's education but a life skill that they take into their future. You will know from previous correspondence that we are unable to authorise holidays during term time and that holiday absences will incur a fine per child per parent. An absence form will need to be completed and returned to the school office.

PE

Your child is invited to attend school in their PE kit (white top and appropriate black shorts) on the days they have PE sessions. When the weather turns colder, children can wear plain black/grey tracksuit joggers for PE as we will have PE sessions outside if the weather is dry.

PE Timetable - Term 1 2025				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y4	Y6	Y2 Y1 Y5	Starlings and Sparrows	Starlings and Sparrows
Y3	Y2	Y4 Y6	Y1 Y3	Y1 Y5

UK Emergency Alert System

The following message is being shared with you at the request of the UK government.

The UK government is testing the Emergency Alerts system on Sunday 7 September 2025 at 3pm. Your mobile phone or tablet will vibrate and make a loud siren-like sound, even if it's set on silent. The alert message will confirm this is a test and that you do not need to take any further action. Regular testing ensures the system is functioning correctly, should it need to be used in a life-threatening emergency. Find out more at gov.uk/alerts.

You can opt out of the Emergency Alerts, including the national test, but you should keep them switched on for your own safety.

Emergency Alerts will warn you via your mobile or tablet if there's a life-threatening emergency nearby. Only the government and the emergency services are able to send them.

There are simple and effective steps we can all take to be more prepared for an emergency. Visit gov.uk/prepare for advice on how you can prepare.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions/ concerns/information. You can pop in any Tuesday from 8:30am to 9:30am to see me or Mrs Palmer as there is no need to make an appointment for this open session.

Thank you, as always for your support.

Kind regards

Mrs B P Lee
Headteacher





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INSET DATES

02.09.25

05.01.26

22.05.26

22.07.26

We will have one more INSET day, the date is dependent on training facilitator's availability

2025 to 2026 Term Dates

Term 1: 2 September 2025 to 24 October 2025

Term 2: 3 November 2025 to 19 December 2025

Term 3: 5 January 2026 to 13 February 2026

Term 4: 23 February 2026 to 2 April 2026

Term 5: 20 April 2026 to 22 May 2026

Term 6: 1 June 2026 to 22 July 2026

Dates	
02.09.25	INSET day – school closed to pupils for staff training
03.09.25	Children return to school
07.09.25	Government Emergency Alert Test @ 3pm
08.09.25	Zumba after school club starts
11.09.25	Mad Science Club Assembly
14.09.25	Education Sunday Mass, SS Peter and Paul Cathedral, 6pm
15.09.25	Forest School starts for Year 1
29.09.25	RSPCA week
02.10.25	Individual and class photographs
21.10.25	Parent/Teacher meetings
22.10.25	Parent/Teacher meetings
24.10.25	Last day of Term 1
03.11.25	Term 2
03.11.25	Forest school sessions begin for Year 6
05.11.25	Reception classes Bonfire with parents and carers, 3pm
10.11.25	Anti-bullying week, "Power for Good"
20.11.25	Commissioning of new chaplains, SS Peter and Paul, 11am
01.12.25	Nasal Flu Vaccines for Year R to Year 6
09.12.25	Christmas Entertainment event for pupils
11.12.25	Reception Classes Nativity performance to parents, carers and family, 2pm
12.12.25	Rock Steady Concert, 9:30am
16.12.25	Years 1 and 2 Nativity performance to parents, carers and family, 2pm
17.12.25	Children's Christmas Dinner
19.12.25	Last Day of Term 2
05.01.2026	Term 3, INSET Day, school closed to pupils for staff training



ZUMBA KIDS AFTER SCHOOL DANCE CLUB



The class will run on a Monday starting on the 8th of September 3.30 -4.20 Year 1 - 6 Term 1 for 6 weeks with a performance at the end of term
The children will learn dance styles from around the world.

The cost of the club is £25.00 for the term
Please email vicky.k.colgan@gmail.com to book your space.
Its on a first come first serve basis as I can only accommodate 35 children.