



Whitehall Primary School

Newsletter

Easter 2023



Pride, Perseverance, Care and Respect

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since joining the Whitehall community in September, it's been my pleasure to see children living up to the school's core values of pride, perseverance, care and respect. This term, care has stood out as a value that is key to all that happens at Whitehall.

In February, our school council arranged a pre-loved book sale that raised over £170 for <https://www.aidboxcommunity.co.uk>. This money will go straight to helping people in need in our local community. Moved by stories in the news, children worked together with staff to organise the cake sale which raised over £400 to help Turkey-Syria Earthquake relief effort. Thank you for your support with your donations for these events. Especially the delicious cakes!

Last week, Year 5 pupils Malia and Ruby demonstrated their understanding of care for the planet in their climate change assembly. The audience of pupils and staff listened attentively to the important issues raised. Inspired by the presentation, several other children have since volunteered to plan assemblies about issues close to their hearts.

On a daily basis, we see children caring for each other, thinking of their wider community and caring for the planet in their learning and play. We know sometimes they make mistakes, but their ability to care helps them put things right. We will continue to promote the importance of caring and Whitehall.

I hope you all have a happy holiday with your families and friends. Ramadan Mubarak and Happy Easter to those of you observing religious festivals at this time.

Best wishes,

Tom Burton



Whitehall Breakfast Club & WASPS (Whitehall After School Play Scheme)

We know places for breakfast club and after school childcare are in high demand.

At the moment, we are limited by staffing numbers and space available.

However, we do understand that places at these clubs are top priorities for many families.

We are reviewing options to see what we can do to extend our provision.



WASPS/Breakfast Club

Please can everyone ensure that all balances are paid up to date by the 16th April as we need to conclude our end of year financial accounts. If you have any questions or concerns about this then please contact the school at the start of Term 5 to discuss.

SEND Team

Changes in referral criteria for Autism and Paediatric services

From the 1st March 2023, there have been changes to the referral process and who can be referred for an autism assessment or for paediatric services. The video below, explains the changes that have been made and who would now be eligible for a referral.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=zN8wQcwzI4k&ab_channel=Sironacare%26health

For parents of children who were referred before 1st March. These referrals are still being fulfilled and the services are in the process of sending letters to all parents on waiting lists to inform them of approximately how long they can expect to wait for an assessment.

The change in referral process will be worrying and stressful for many parents. We would like to assure you that support in school is on a needs basis and does not require a diagnostic assessment.

Reception, Year 5 and Year 6 – Catherine Brown (Assistant Head for Inclusion) – catherine.brown@bristol-schools.uk

Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 – Tricia Thomas (SENDCO) patricia.thomas@bristol-schools.uk

Rainbowfish Class

Rainbowfish Class have had a fantastic time learning about their topic 'People who help us'. We have really enjoyed role playing and learning about our emergency services and the things they do to help us.

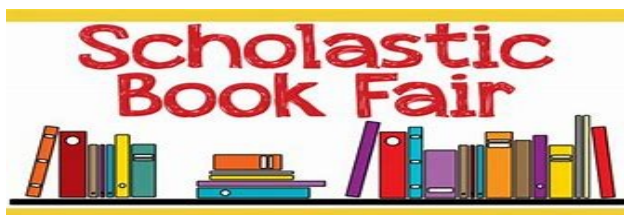


New Teacher!

We would like to welcome our New Rainbowfish Teacher Hannah Hedge who will be starting with us in April.



A massive THANK YOU to everyone who supported our recent Book Fair! We raised an amazing **£459.40** to spend on new books for our library.



Thank you for all the wonderful poems and pictures sent in for this year's Ablaze competition. We will be in touch soon hopefully with the names of the winners.

Emma Cutmore - Reading Recovery Teacher



We would like to thank all those who put their name forward and took the time to complete candidate statements, and those of you who voted. Candidates can request the number of votes cast for them from the School Office.

The parent elected to the role of Parent Governor is Tom Harvey with 41 votes. (we received 128 ballot papers in total)

If you would like to be considered in another capacity as one of our governors at a later date, please contact cogwhitehall@bristol-schools.uk



VACANCY

Bristol City Council at Whitehall Primary School

As you will be aware Mrs Beard has resigned from her role as the School Crossing Patrol for your school. We wish her good luck in her new positions.

However, that will leave the crossing unsupported until such time as we are able to recruit someone to take on the role. Please be aware that from Monday 17th April 2023 the crossing point will not be managed.

Are you looking for part-time work? It is a paid position and you are paid for ten hours per week term time. The hourly rate is £9.90 and the hours are annualised as they are for other school roles. Full training and uniform will be provided.

You will need to be a good communicator with an ability and understanding of working with the general public.

Bristol City Council are looking for someone to provide the crossing patrol Monday to Friday an hour in the morning and an hour in the afternoon at school run times (your duty times will be agreed with the School and it may be that you are not on duty for the whole hour, however, you will be paid for the full hour each shift – 10 hours in total per week). If you can't commit to 5 days perhaps you could share the job, maybe a friend could cover the morning shifts and you the afternoons, or perhaps you could do Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and then a friend take over on Thursday and Friday. We are open to discuss with you how the vacancy might be managed.

Please if you know anyone who may be interested in taking on the role, perhaps a neighbour or family member who is looking for part-time work, pass on the information to them. The role is funded by the Road Safety Team at Bristol City Council.

If you are interested, or you know someone who might be or would like more information please contact Frances Dansie by email road.safety@bristol.gov.uk.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Uniform

Unfortunately we have been advised by our suppliers that there will be a price increase for all items as of sometime in May. We will therefore update you as soon as we are made aware of the new prices.



March

Friday 31st—Last day of term

April

Monday 17th—First day of term

May

Friday 26th—Last day of term

June

Monday 5th June—First day of term

July

Friday 21st—Last day of term



Registered Charity: 1151195

ANY CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS OR A DISABILITY

Inclusive family play sessions in Bristol for children and young people with additional needs and their families. You don't need a diagnosis to join Incredible Kids.

Sign up for membership at


www.incrediblekids.org.uk


 Sessions need to be pre-booked. Only members can book sessions.




Incredible Kids is a **life-line** to families with a child who has a disability or additional needs. A **place for families** to spend time together where everyone is accepted.



 www.incrediblekids.org.uk

 twitter.com/incrediblekids

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 [facebook.com/incrediblekidsuk](https://www.facebook.com/incrediblekidsuk)

 contact@incrediblekids.org.uk

St. George Community Centre

BS5 Spring Market & Fair

Sunday April 2nd

1 pm - 4 pm

BAKERS
DELI
GIFTS

VINYL
BOOKS
DR. BIKE

EASTER HUNT
FACE PAINTING
KIDS CRAFTS
WE THE CURIOUS



Live Music
splendid funk with Dr. Scriff



putting your
FAMILY'S HEALTH
at your fingertips

FREE online course for families
to log on to healthy habits.

Live stream our expert family nutritionists to the comfort of your own home! We are experts at engaging children around healthy eating and fun exercise, and have plenty of tricks up our sleeves to help you and your kids make healthier choices, and then turn them into habits for a healthier, happier life!

BeeZee Families Live is a free, 10 week course of online webinars for children (5-12yrs) and their families to learn about healthy lifestyles.

SIGN UP FOR FREE!

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BeeZee Families



*eligibility criteria applies, see website for details



Evaluating a new vaccine
for the prevention of
whooping cough



We are recruiting volunteers (6-17 years old) for a clinical study and are looking for SUPERheroes like your child!

Contact our site for more information.

UHBW and Bristol Vaccine Centre
0117 342 0160 or nasal-pertussis@bristol.ac.uk
www.supertrial.co.uk

HappyMaps

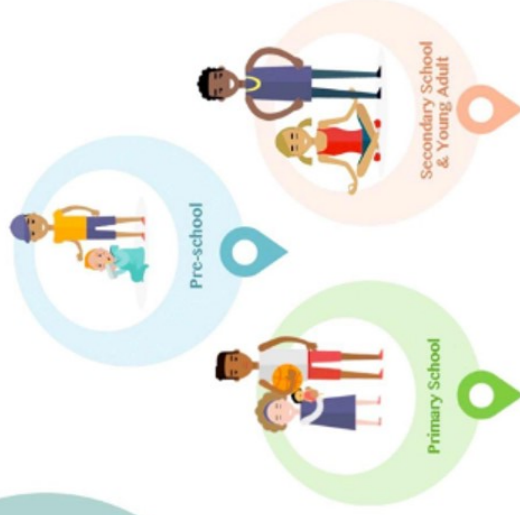
www.happymaps.co.uk

Worried about your child's behaviour or mental health?

We've gathered the most professional, reliable and up-to-date resources, all in one place.

Age-appropriate advice
tackling real problems

Books
Websites
Apps
+ more



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access to HappyMaps!

Supported by Bristol Mind



For better mental health

EASTER 2023



3 - 14
April

ARTS & CRAFTS
WOODLAND ACTIVITIES
COOKING & SPORTS

Day Pass
£35

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Fishponds



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School Holiday Food & Fun

- Cooking with children
- Craft, including sewing
- Physical activities
- Making friends/connections



ST LUKE'S LUNCH

SCHOOL HOLIDAY FOOD & FUN

Barton Hill



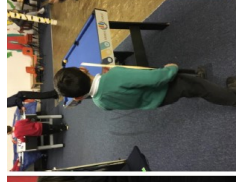
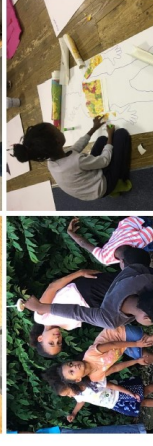
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School Holiday Food and Fun

- Family Café
 - Drop in
 - Children prepare own lunch
 - Parents eat too
- Activities
 - Travelling Light
 - Drama, Games, Craft
 - Drop off available for 7+



After School Family Cafe

- Free play – child led activities
- Free Café
 - Hot drinks
 - Smoothies
 - Toast



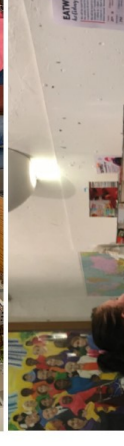
ST LUKE'S LUNCH



Free Family Food Shop

- Run by parents
- Fortnightly free food
- Food Cupboard, Household and toiletries essentials
- Clothes / toy swap

ST LUKE'S LUNCH





SPRING HOLIDAYS

@FELIX ROAD ADVENTURE
PLAYGROUND

FREE PLAY, FUN, AND FOOD

OPENING TIMES

Sunday 2 April, 1 to 5pm
Monday 3 to Thursday 6 April, 12 to 5.30pm
Wednesday 5, 6 to 7.30pm (Felix Nights)
Good Friday 7 April, CLOSED
Sunday 9 April, 1 to 5pm
Tuesday 11 to Thursday 13 April, 12 to 5.30pm
Wednesday 12, 6 to 7.30pm (Felix Nights)
Friday 14 April, 1.30 to 5.30pm (Felix Girls)
Sunday 15 April, CLOSED

OPEN ACCESS is for children aged 8 to 14 years olds, free to come and play. Younger children are also welcome if supervised by an adult.

FELIX NIGHTS for children 11 - 14 year olds only.

FELIX GIRLS for 8 - 14 year old girls only.

Food is fuel for play and throughout the holidays the playground will be open serving funded hot meals for children cooked by our wonderful kitchen team. Funded meals are limited, arrive early to avoid disappointment on busy days.

SUNDAYS Gardening | **MONDAYS** Craft workshop
TUESDAYS Life Cycle (Tuesday 4th bike repair)
WEDNESDAYS Wood work | **THURSDAYS** Outdoor cooking

Find out all the latest information on our Facebook page
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