

Backwell Federation Newsletter Term 4 Federation Value - Respect

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Thank you very much for your
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£223.00 from West Leigh

£529.00 from BJS

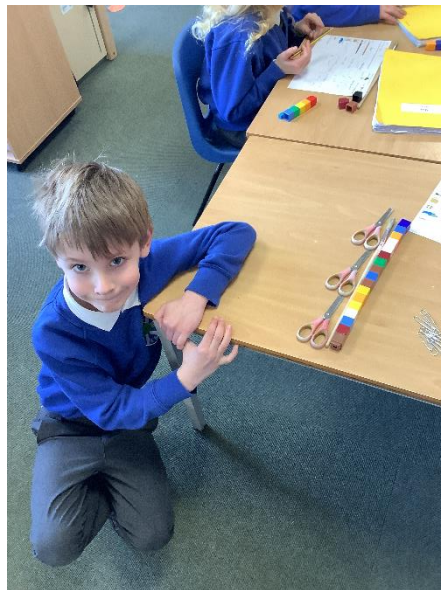
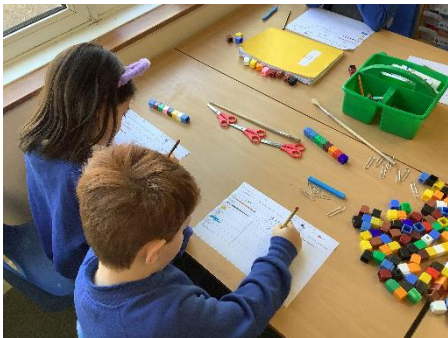
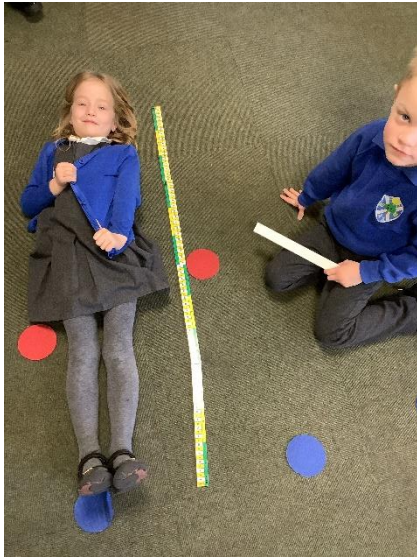
Important Dates - Term 4

- Thursday 28th March – WL Spring Sing at 2.30pm
- Thursday 28th March – BJS Easter Festival
- Thursday 28th March – Last day of Term 4
- Monday 15th April – Start of Term 5
- Thursday 25th April – BJS 4W Class Assembly
- Thursday 9th May – BJS 3W Class Assembly
- Friday 10th May – BJS 6S Cake Sale
- Friday 10th May – Reception trip to Lowerstock Farm
- Monday 13th May – WL Class Photos / YR2 Leavers photos
- Monday 13th May – BJS Y3 Church Day
- Monday 13th May – BJS Start of SATS week
- Friday 17th May – BJS Non School Uniform Day
- Monday 20th May – BJS Start of Sport Week
- Tuesday 21st May – Enrichment morning 4
- Wed 22nd May – Fri 24th May – WL Sports Week
- Wednesday 22nd May – BJS Pentecost Service
- Friday 24th May – BJS Sports Day
- Friday 24th May – Last day of Term 5
- Monday 3rd June – INSET DAY
- Tuesday 4th June – Start of Term 6



Owl class have been very busy measuring in our Maths lessons. We have looked at height and length as well as mass. First, we measured lengths using non-standard units like cubes, scissors, paper clips and measuring sticks. Once we'd mastered this, we measured lengths using centimetres on our rulers.

We have also compared mass of different objects using the balance scales. We were surprised to find out that a Phonics reading book has the same mass as 27 unifix cubes!



Reception - People Who Help Us

This term we are learning about people who help us in our community. We have had some fantastic visitors in school who have talked to us about their jobs, including, a vet, a PCSO, a scientist, and a criminal barrister. The children have loved hearing about the different jobs, seeing different uniforms and equipment, and have asked some brilliant questions. On Friday, we went on a walk to the post office. During the visit, we looked around the post office, had a talk from a postal worker who answered lots of our questions, and then each child posted a letter to someone they know. We were so impressed with the children's behaviour on the walk. They asked some brilliant questions, and were full of beans for the duration of the visit. Thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers who helped us on our walk.



Enrichment

Beech house made dreamcatchers as part of our enrichment morning. We made them as in indigenous American cultures they take away bad dreams and help us to sleep better. Sleep is really important for our well-being as it means our brains and bodies are well rested and ready for the day. To make the dreamcatchers, we had to use our cutting, hole-punching, sticking, threading and colouring skills. They look fantastic!



WL French Club



We are delighted to let you know that French club is restarting on Tuesday lunchtimes. If you are interested in a space, please email admin@clubs4kids.com for more information.



Congratulations to our West Leigh Superstars

Thursday 21st March

Year 1 – Alastair, Sienna

Year 2 – Alex, Cole

BACKWELL C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

Celebration Assembly - 'Backwell B' Awards

Our Backwell B awards include: **Be your Best**, **Be Kind** and **Be Responsible**

Celebration Assembly - 15th March 2024

Year 3 - Orla and Freya

Year 4 - Lara, Millie and Ayla

Year 5 - Bibi and Lex

Year 6 - Mikey, Louis and Eliza

Celebration Assembly - 22nd March 2024

Year 3 - Callum and Reuben H

Year 4 - Erin and James

Year 5 - Nairn and Dot

Year 6 - Ivy and Morire

CONGRATULATIONS!



Sporting Events

The Girls visited Weston College to attend a Girls Football “Give it a Try” Festival. They did incredibly well, playing friendly matches and drawing two of their games! Back to school for tea and medals.



Sporting Events

Friday 8th March 2024

On Friday the 8th March, a group year 6s went to attend a football tournament at Clifton College. There were many teams taking part in this exiting tournament, including Backwell Junior school. The boys who went, represented the school with pride (in 2 teams.) This tournament was played over 2 challenging, exiting and joyful hours. All the teams played amazingly with even better sportsmanship. Although we did not win everyone played with lots of sportsmanship and determination. At the end Clifton offered us chicken burgers and water. Clifton were great hosts at the end of the day!

Written by Y6 Footballers Arun and Sonny



Easter in a Box

Y6 have been treated to learning the Easter story through Easter in a Box, with Timi from St Andrew's Church. Over three sessions, children have re-enacted and learnt key parts of the story, creating a box which shares their thoughts and feelings around events that happened and the characters involved. The learning has also allowed children to explore the idea of service to others and reflecting on their own actions in their lives. Thank you to Timi for preparing and leading on this for the children.



Enrichment Morning

One of the activities from Enrichment Morning was using origami to create animal habitats. Children practised making animals such as jumping frogs, snakes and whales. They then decided on the habitat and animals they wanted to make and tried to follow instructions for these animals. It was very tricky but we all succeeded in making a habitat and the animals needed. We created woodland, ponds, a zoo, savannah grassland and others.

Enrichment Morning



Lego Club

A big thank you to those you who made donations to our Lego club. We've had great fun this term aking marble runs, Monsters, Crazy dominioes and finishing with an Easter themed chalenge.

Lego club will continue to run next term and will be open to children in years 3 and 4.



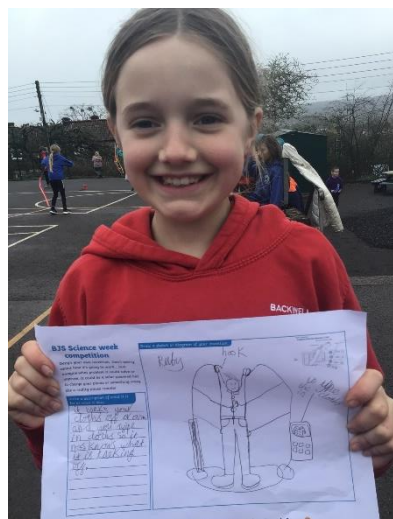
Year 5 Church Day

This term, year 5 spent the day at St Andrews exploring in more detail the Easter Story. We are so grateful to the kind volunteers and Timi for making this such a great day – even the teachers got to share tea and biscuits too! The children created Easter gardens, decorated eggs, crafted stainglass style mosacs and made some fabulous clay donkeys.



Science Week

Our talented Science ambassadors have been busy this term organising and running events as part of British Science Week. The theme this year was Time and the children out together a schedule of events which they ran over lunch times so that the whole school could get involved. From building ancient monuments out of Lego to testing vegetables to use as clocks! Great fun was had by all. The winners of the competition will be announced after the Easter Holidays so any last-minute entries can still be handed in for your invention for the future.



School Council

BJS School council have been very active this term looking at ways they can make playtimes more enjoyable for all. They are keen to promote recycling and have made contact with local recycling centre to try to find out more. Exciting news for next term: School council have been putting together designs using ideas from all the children for a new mural at school to welcome everyone into our school – so watch this space! A huge thank you to the PTA who have provided funds for this project.

PTA News



Backwell Junior School PTA news

I.T Fundraiser:

This year the majority of our fundraising will go towards new I.T equipment for the classrooms. The eventual aim is for each classroom to have 15 pieces of I.T equipment (tablets or laptops) plus a storage/charging unit for them. We currently have 4 of these fully filled storage units across the school.

I.T equipment is such a necessary part of school life and can be used in every subject to benefit the children's education.

The committee had a meeting with Mr Webster and Mrs Steel recently to discuss the best way to use the funding we raise and it was decided to prioritise the school's I.T equipment plan.

If you would like to donate directly please [CLICK HERE](#).

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Fundraising Events-

Summer Fayre – 22nd June
End of Year Disco – 23rd July

BJSA UPCOMING EVENTS

Class Cake Sales-

6S - Friday 10th May
5B - Friday 14th June
3J - Friday 5th July

Plus Rainbow Hamper Raffle & Sunflower growing competition coming soon!



4C Class Cake Sale

Thank you to all those who bought cakes at 4C's cake sale. They raised £112.20!

All of us at Backwell Junior School Association hope you have a lovely Easter Break!





Aspens Select

Please remember to book your lunches for term 5 starting on Monday 15th April so that the kitchen can plan ahead. Many thanks.

If your child is unwell and cannot attend school please can you ensure that you leave a message or email the office to let us know by 9.30am on the day of absence and each day thereafter. In your message please could you give a brief overview of the symptoms rather than just saying “unwell”. The reason for this is so that we can identify if there is a certain illness that is circulating and take any steps possible to minimise the spread.



Wrap Around Care – Important Information

Please ensure that Premier Education are contacted directly for any amendments to bookings or collection arrangements, all contact details are detailed here:

Backwell Junior School:

Site Phone: 07707878334 - Active between 7:15 & 8:30am for BSC / Active between 2:30pm & 6pm for ASC. Any queries for day-to-day club changes with collection, or information that may be relevant with regards to children attending or not attending.

Email - c.clarke@premier-education.com for information regarding updates for the day, or collection passwords if somebody different is collecting.

Email - info@premier-education.com for any queries around bookings, cancellations, changes to bookings.

West Leigh Infant School:

Site Phone: 07707800019 - Active between 2:30pm & 6pm for ASC. Any queries for day-to-day club changes with collection, or information that may be relevant with regards to children attending or not attending.

Email - info@premier-education.com for any queries around bookings, cancellations, changes to bookings.

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on **all day, all evening and all weekend** for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

Skips Educational Email: info@skipssed.com Tel: +44 121 227 1941

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Clevedon and District Foodbank Opening Times

If you are struggling financially, we can help.

We can provide you with lunch parcels for your school-aged children, and if needed family parcels for the rest of the family. All you need to do is ask your child's school for a foodbank voucher. Once you have the voucher, you can come along to your nearest foodbank, and our volunteers, will be more than happy to help you.

Clevedon Foodbank Outlet

Neads Court Unit 3 Knowles Road, Clevedon BS21 7XS

Tel 07722769529

Open Thursday 28th March 9.30am-11.30am

Closed Good Friday and Easter Monday.

Open Tuesday 2nd April 9.30am-11.30am

Yatton Foodbank Outlet

Rock Road Youth Club

Open Thursdays 9.30am – 12.00pm

Tel 07722769529

Yatton Foodbank site will be open as usual.

Nailsea and Portishead Foodbank Outlets will be open on Good Friday

Nailsea Foodbank Outlet

Southfield Church

85 Southfield Road

BS48 1SB

Open Fridays 12.30pm – 2.30pm

07927 472649

Portishead Foodbank Outlet

4 Combe Road

Portishead

Open Fridays 12.00pm – 2.00pm

BS20 6BJ

Tel 07379891130





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Suitable clothing
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Venue: Hannah More Infants & Grove Juniors, Nailsea

Dates: Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 12th April

Times: 9-15:30 (15:30-17:00 session available)

Ages: 5 - 12 (school attending 4 year olds can go 9-1pm)

Additional info:

Our 5* Holiday Camps are the perfect place to keep your kids entertained over the Easter holidays.

Our camps are a fantastic place for children to meet new friends, have lots of fun, and create wonderful memories!

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Wednesday 3rd April 2024
10am-12pm or 12pm-2pm
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He has lost the secret password to the place he hides his Easter eggs. Hunt for giant eggs scattered around the garden, each containing a letter.

Unscramble them to reveal the password and claim your delicious chocolate treat!




Don't miss out on a day filled with joy, laughter, and festive fun for everyone!

Children's tickets £8 (adults go free!)
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Booking is essential

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Week 2
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Wednesday 10th April
10am - 2pm

Any enquiries contact Head Coach Bex on 07967 402061

All prices are inclusive of VAT. VAT Registration No. 404812021

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