



15th December 2023

NEWSLETTER

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Head writes

Term 2 has been a busy and exciting term. The children have enjoyed a range of trips, performances and activities. Our children were amazing performing their Christmas nativities. Bannerman basketball team had a fantastic time at the tournament and did an superb job of representing the school. Thank-you to the PTA and staff who organized the winter fayre which was enjoyed by so many. If you would like to get involved with PTA events, please do contact the school office. We want to hear from you. Sadly we are saying goodbye to Mrs Gray and Mr de Klein who are moving onto new adventures. We wish them luck and every success. We hope all our families enjoy the holidays and we look forward to welcoming you back in the new year. School starts at 8.40am on 3rd January 2024.

Mr Laken & Mrs Dyer



Dates



Friday 15th December– **LAST DAY OF TERM IS A HALF DAY 1PM FINISH.**

We are finishing at **1PM** so children can have their lunch before going home.

Tuesday 2nd January -INSET DAY

Wednesday 3rd January– School starts @ 8.40am

3rd January- School term begins @ 8:40am

Parent Coffee Mornings

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our fortnightly coffee mornings.

Coffee mornings start at 9am. Free tea, coffee and biscuits are provided.



14th December-Aspens (School catering company)

18th January—Pastoral

23rd January—SEND and you (please note this is a Tuesday)

25th January—Opal

Job Opportunities

Aspens are recruiting for Kitchen staff.

If you are interested and for more information, please contact:



lisa.giles@aspens-services.com

SEND Parental Support

Free parent courses with a particular focus on pupils with SEND are available via this link.

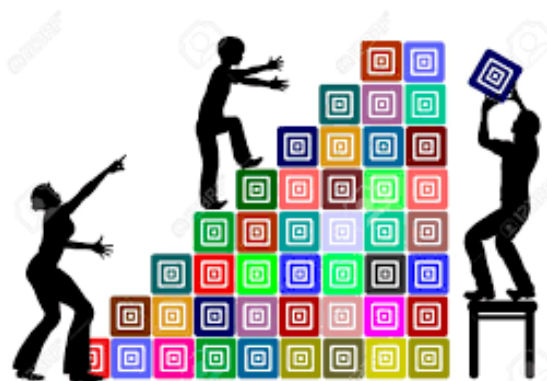
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/bristol-n-somerset-and-s-glos-parent-carer-forums-41027867683>



As the weather is getting colder, it is important that your child brings a warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves. Please ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name and class so we can return any lost property quickly to your child.



If your child has forest school, please wear extra layers to keep warm.



School Attendance

Last week our overall school attendance was 92.9%. Acer tree were the class winners with 96.4%

If your child is unwell, you **must** call the school office on 0117 377 2080, **every day** by 9am, to let us know, leaving your child's name and class.

Polite reminder: All parents and carers have a responsibility to get their children into school on time, by 8:45, each day. If your child arrives late, this will be marked on the register. Arrival after 9:10am will be considered an unauthorised absence and may be subject to a Penalty Notice. Penalty notices are a fine of £60 per child, per adult.

Homework

We will be sending optional topic homework at the start of each term. This will be a range of activities that the children can pick from.

There will be no sanction for not doing them, but any work completed will be shared and celebrated.

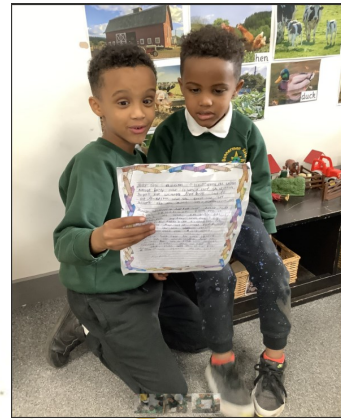
A reminder that ALL children should completing:

- ◆ Spellings
- ◆ Reading 4x per week
- ◆ Multiplication tables



Yr 4 and Reception

Year 4 have been sharing their learning with reception classes.



Reception Applications

If your child is due to start Reception in September 2023. You will need to apply online even if you are applying to Bannerman Road Community Academy.

You will not automatically get a place if your child attends our Nursery.

**You must do this before January
15th 2023 (15/1/23)**

<https://www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/schools-learning-and-early-years/school-admissions>

If you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact:

First Response on 0117 903 6444
or the NSPCC on 0808 800500
or contact the police directly by dialing 101.



**In an emergency always
contact the police by
dialing 999.**

Family Support

If your child and/or family needs support, please don't hesitate to call us on 01173 772 080 and ask to speak to;

Anna Hicks - Family Support Worker (for housing, immigration queries, benefits, access to foodbanks etc.)

anna.hicks@bannermanroadbristol.org

Sian Lennox-Gordon - Pastoral Lead (for support with mental health, behaviour or attendance)

sian.lennox-gordon@bannermanroadbristol.org

If you have a concern or would like to arrange a meeting to discuss any of these issues, including bullying or safeguarding please contact us via phone or email.

