



January 12th 2024

NEWSLETTER

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Head writes

Happy new year to all our families. The children have returned to school settled and ready to rise to the challenges of 2024. The year has started with exciting events; sporting competitions for Yr 5 and 6, Reception have begun their gymnastic sessions at Hawks gym and Yr 2 are visiting SS Great Britain. This term our learning for life is '**dreams and goals**'. We want our children to have goals and develop their resilience. This term's protected characteristic is age. Please remember to **label** your children's clothing. We want to return all lost property to its owner.

Mr Laken



Dates

15th Jan—Deadline for **Reception places**
Monday 5th February --Friday 9th Parents Evenings
10th -18th February—Half Term holiday

Parent Pay

All parents/carers must activate their parent pay account. After easter break **all lunches** will need to be ordered online using this service.

Please contact the office for any queries and help on



Parent Coffee Mornings

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



Usually Start at **9am on Thursdays**. Free tea, coffee and biscuits are provided.

18th January—Pastoral

9.30 Tuesday 23rd January— **Additional** parents coffee morning to support parents with SEND

25th January—Opal

8th February—EMHP (children's mental health)

9th February—Internet safety (please note this is a Friday)

Shout out to BrisCycle— Brislington



Big thanks to BrisCycle for 6 discounted bikes that the children can use at lunchtimes. This supports our 'Opal Platinum award!' Please visit the shop for your bike needs.

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 **8:40, 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



Reception places

Deadline 15th January 2024

Parents of children due to start reception in September 2024 **must** apply for a school place at www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions by January 15th. Please check you have clicked **submit** at the end of the application.

Infant observation volunteering

Are you expecting a baby within the next two months, or have you recently given birth? Would you like to take part in an 'infant observation' with a trainee child psychotherapist?

My name is Laurie, and as part of my child psychotherapy training I need to complete an 'infant observation'. This means visiting a family with a newborn baby, on a weekly basis (with holidays!) to observe how the child develops.

Families who take part say that they and their children find the visits really valuable – and of course by volunteering you would be contributing to the study of child development and helping children who may need professional help in the future.

If you'd like to find out more you can get in touch on 07941954028 or laurie.gallagher@bridgefoundation.org.uk -- and please feel free to share this information with others who might be interested!

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.

