

Dear Parents and Friends

We enter a busy part of the term now with many events coming up. Hence lots of dates in this newsletter. Sorry!

Sept 28 th	School photographs. If your pre-school child is being photographed as part of a family group please be here for 9.00am as we try to do those first.
Oct 8 th	M and M Theatre Productions will be visiting
Oct 9 th	King Henry VIII (not the real one) is visiting class 4 (Mr Gibbs)
Oct 11 th	Harvest Service at church run by class 4 at 10.45am. There is space if you wish to attend
Oct 15 th	Parents' evenings week. Please watch for notices outside the classroom the previous week so you can sign up for an appointment.
Oct 16 th	Classes 3, 4 and 5 will be visiting the Colston Hall for the "Young People's Concert"
Oct 19 th	School closed for INSET ("Carnival " at the Tacchi-Morris Centre!)
Oct 20 th /28 th	half term
Nov 2 nd	Rev Ian's assembly at 2.45pm
Nov 11 th	Some of class 5 will join the British Legion in a Remembrance Day Service at Church at 3.00pm
Nov 16 th	RSA disco
Nov 30 th	We have invited Thurlbear to join us here with classes 1 and 2 to watch "The Nutcracker Suite" at 10.00am
Dec 7 th	School Christmas Fair at 6.00pm
Dec 12 th	Christmas Production in the afternoon and evening
Dec 13 th	Christmas Production in the evening
Dec 14 th	"Christmas Carol" for classes 3, 4 and 5 at the Brewhouse Theatre.
Dec 16 th	Candlelight Carol service at church led by year 6 at 6.30pm
Dec 17 th	School service at church led by year 6 at 9.45am

We will send details out of many of these events as the time gets nearer. It is worth mentioning, especially for new parents, that in practice we are independent of the local authority financially. Apart from buildings insurance and inspection we pay for absolutely everything, from transport to swimming, sewage disposal, rates, grass cutting, even training provided by the local authority. Hence we often need to ask for "donations"... I appreciate that this is often difficult, but we depend on contributions to do all these "extras". We never refuse to take a child if we don't get a contribution, but of course if we can't afford trips, swimming etc then they would not go ahead. Sorry about this. I think that all of this should be funded centrally, especially swimming, , but the Government doesn't think the same way. That's my little moan over so on to brighter things! I have had a **really positive response** about pre- and post- school club so I'm trying to get someone involved in taking it over as soon as possible. The **ICT room** is gradually taking shape and we hope to have it in use by just after half term. Our next project may be a **new kitchen** to be built next summer for which we need county approval. Money for buildings by the way is ring-fenced and can't be spent on anything else.

Yellow Moon Books are in school again and pamphlets will be sent out. Finally can I please remind everyone that children arriving after the whistle are marked as **late** and those arriving later than ten minutes are marked as absent on their school reports.