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Children in Need Day

We all had a thoroughly enjoyable day today raising money for Children in Need. Everyone looked very comfortable in their PJs and onesies and hopefully we have raised even more than last year. The dress up day and competitions raised £179.20 but we need to add on the amount the cake sale made which took place this afternoon. As usual it was exhausting but the School Council were real troopers and did not give up. We are very grateful to EVERYONE who donated cakes and helped the sale go so well. Thank you so very much.

The entrants for the Bake Off were absolutely amazing (see below) and they tasted pretty good too!! We have some very talented families- thank you for taking the time to enter. Also the children produced some excellent Pudsey art work, making the judging very difficult. The results of the two competitions will be announced on Monday in assembly. Keep your fingers crossed!!



Dates for your diary

Bristol Term Dates for 2017 – 2018

Term 2 Mon 30th Oct to Fri 15th Dec 2017

Term 3 Tues 2nd Jan to Fri 9th Feb 2018

Term 4 Mon 19th Feb to Fri 23rd March 2018

Term 5 Mon 9th April to Fri 25th May 2018

Term 6 Mon 4th June to Tues 24th July 2018

PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING INSET DAYS

Inset day 3 - Tuesday 2nd January 2018

Inset day 4 - Monday 19th February 2018

Inset day 5 to be decided

Fri 17 Nov – Children in Need Day

Thurs 23 Nov - Parents' Evening for SSGB class (1)

Wed 29 Nov – Pantomime visiting

Thurs 30 Nov– Parents' Evening for SSGB class (2)

Fri 1 Dec – XMAS DISCO,

Wed 6 Dec - Reception and Year 1 classes to visit St Mary's church

Thurs 7 Dec – Reception nativity Dress rehearsal @ 10:15 – Grandparents welcome

Fri 8 Dec – Reception classes Nativity,

Mon 11 Dec – Y1 & 2 Dress rehearsal @10am – Grandparents welcome

Y6 to St Kath's to see their production

Carols Round the Tree after school

Tues 12 Dec – Year 1 & 2 Nativity @10:15am and 2:15pm

Wed 13 Dec – Christmas Dinner

Thurs 14 – Class Christmas Parties

Fri 15 Dec – Last day of Term 2, Christmas Jumper Day

Sporting events

Our Year 5/6 football team played in the local league recently. This takes place once a month at St Bedes. Both matches were close and although we lost the first match 1-2, we drew the second.

Next week we have Dance 4 All visiting school to work with children from Y1 to Y5 and the Cheerleading club has gone down a treat.

Deputy Head

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, Mrs Helen Thorpe will join the school as Deputy Headteacher in January. She will be visiting the school later this term to begin planning with the Senior Leadership Team. I am sure she will want to visit all the classes and come out at the beginning and end of the day to introduce herself to you. She is really looking forward to working with you all.

Attendance winners

Congratulations to the following children who had 100% attendance last week. They are the lucky ones who will have a tea party with Rob next week.

Year 1	Olivia & Aleyza
Year 2	Isobel & Mysha
Year 3	James & Kyeran
Year 4	Lucie & Patryk
Year 5	Harrison & Malick
Year 6	Maddison H & Bailey

PTFA Disco

There will be a disco, run by the PTFA, on Friday 1st December after school.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 from 4 – 5pm

Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 from 5:15 – 6:15pm.

Entry is £2 to be paid on the door. This includes a drink, packet of crisps and a friendship bracelet.

There will be a 'chill out' room where children can chat and take part in quiet activities. Further drinks can be bought here as well. This will be in our dining hall.

Year 6 Residential to the Brecon Beacons

We took forty Year 6 children to Wales last week and had an amazing time. The children were absolutely brilliant from start to finish. All of them were prepared to give every challenge a go whether it was climbing a rock face, walking through a field of sheep, dangling on the end of a rope after the stack of crates fell, wriggling through the netting on the obstacle course or going on a two hour walk over the hills by starlight. Oh and then we found out what pitch black is when we turned our headlamps off in the caves. Do read the following extracts from Y6 reports and have a look at the photos.

With excitement bubbling inside of us, we waved goodbye to our parents as the coach started up for our three day adventure (from Wednesday to Friday) in Abercraf, Wales.

When we arrived there, we hopped off of the coach and we were made to walk up a 15 minute long hill while our bags were being taken up the hill in a van, all the way to where we would be staying to 'Call of the Wild', Maes Yfrion, Once we had reached the top of the hills we all took a good look at the view – it was breathtaking. There were hundreds of sheep (which were pooping and eating). There were tall trees and steep hills.

Archie

When we had eaten our evening meal we wrapped up warm, ready for our evening activity. When I found out what we were doing – walking to the sleeping giant – "No!" I thought in my head. The sheep's eyes looked so scary in the dark. Finally, after the long walk, we went to bed. At least they thought we did!

Josh

What did come through was how much fitter our children are which we attribute to their daily physical burst. They were on the go all the time and really up for everything. Well done Year 6.

