

28th April 2023



April

Thurs 27th

Strike action

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Hérons to Folly Farm – Evening Badger watch

May

Mon 1st

Bank Holiday

Tues 2nd

Strike action

Wed 3rd

Hérons to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits - Frisbee Golf

Wed 3rd

Selected Swans to Chew Stoke Bowls Club – Bowls festival

Thurs 4th

Cygnets to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits – Bush craft

Fri 5th

King Charles III Coronation Celebration (see below)

Mon 8th

Bank Holiday

Tues 9th to Fri 12th

Year 6 SATs week

Frid 12th

Year 6 water fight to celebrate end of SATs!

Tues 9th

Reception Parents – Read for Pleasure (see below)

Wed 10th

Year 3 & 4 Athletics Festival at CVS

Mon 15th

Bikeability Y6 Group 1 Session 1

Tues 16th

Bikeability Y6 Group 1 Session 2

Tues 16th

Hérons Striking and Fielding Event at CVS (details to follow)

Wed 17th

Bikeability Y6 Group 2 Session 1

Wed 17th

Wrens to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits - Caving

Thurs 18th

Class and leavers photographs

Mon 22nd

Bikeability Y6 Group 2 Session 2

Mon 22nd

'Open School' for parents to drop in to classes 2.45pm (see below)

Tues 23rd

Bikeability Y6 Group 3 Session 1

Wed 24th

Bikeability Y6 Group 3 Session 2

Wed 24th to Fri 26th

Swallows Residential Visit to Charterhouse (letter and kit list sent)

Fri 26th

End of Term 5

June

Mon 5th

Inset Day

Tues 6th

Start of Term

Tues 6th

Swans to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits - Archery

Wed 7th

Swallows to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits - Climbing

Thurs 8th

Cygnets to Folly Farm

Tues 13th

Kingfishers to Mendip Outdoor Pursuits - Stand Up Paddle Boarding

Wed 14th

Sports Day (see below – updated format this year)

Thurs 15th

Year 5 & 6 Quad Kids at CVS

Wed 28th

Reserve Sport Day

Don't forget all the dates are also published on the Federation website.

School News

Herons

Last night, the Year 2s went to Folly Farm for our badger watch trip. We had great fun doing a nocturnal animal trail, also trying to name the plants, trees and flowers that we have been learning about in Science. We then played a game learning about how bats locate their food. After our packed tea we dissected owl pellets and found which animals they had eaten for their tea! Sadly, we didn't see any badgers and we got absolutely soaked, but the children enjoyed the experience!



Swallows

Children in Swallows class made the most of the spring weather by sketching outside this week with viewfinders. Swallows are looking at landscapes in art this term!



Swallows – Radstock Muesum

Swallow class enjoyed a trip to Radstock museum on Wednesday where they took part in role play lessons and learnt about life in Victorian times.



Liquid Nitrogen Science assembly

On Monday morning, Swallow class enjoyed a liquid nitrogen science show that was put on by year 10 students from Badminton School. The children said it was amazing, inspiring, really cool, fascinating and epic!



Sports Day – Wed 14th or 28th June

Our Sports Day this year will be held on 14th June at Bishop Sutton FC (with 28th June set as a reserve date). Because of the number of children in school now - 180, we are changing the format slightly so that there will be less waiting time for children between races. The morning races will start at 10am and will only involve KS2 children (parents welcome to attend). We will then have a lunch time where all children will be at the football ground with parents invited to join them for a picnic lunch and then the afternoon will be EYFS and KS1 races (parents welcome to attend). Our Y6 children will be supporting during the whole day as Play leaders.

Ducklings Tobogganing

Children in Reception travelled to Mendip Activity Centre on Tuesday to take part in dry slope tobogganing. They all had a lovely time!



Open School

Our next Open School day session is Monday 22nd May at 2.45pm. Similar to the last time, please do come in and chat to the children about their work/progress in their classrooms; gates will open at 2.40pm. (Children will be in their classes until the usual finish time of 3.10pm and be dismissed as usual).

King Charles III Coronation

Next Saturday marks King Charles III Coronation and the additional Bank Holiday on Monday 8th May. On Friday 5th May, we will be marking this special occasion in school with an assembly outside (weather permitting) to which parents are warmly invited to join us. If you would like to join us, please arrive by 2.15pm (front and back gates will open at 2.00pm). After the assembly, children will return to their classes for the usual end of day procedures and school will finish at 3.10pm. Herons and Cygnets classes will be hosting a cake sale with teas and coffees being served.

Reception Parents – Read for Pleasure

Sharing books with your child provides a gateway into a world of imagination, empathy and delight as well as being crucial for developing language and literacy skills. In Ducklings we want our children to develop a love of stories and reading for pleasure. One of the exciting ways we do this is to hold a termly 'Stay and Share a Story' session for Ducklings parents and children where the children get the opportunity to share our class quality texts with their special adults. Our next session will be on Tuesday 9th May 2023 at 2:40pm in the forest. We hope you can join us then.

Wrens Class

Miss Gilmour is still on a phased return to work and we are all very grateful for Mrs Blannin's support with Wrens Class. We would like to provide an opportunity for parents to catch up with their child's progress as Miss Gilmour was poorly when we had the last round of parent/teacher consultations. The current plan is to offer some appointments on Monday 15th (morning) and Tuesday 16th May (morning and afternoon). A sign up sheet is available in the office from 3pm today for you to make an appointment to see Miss Gilmour, and will be available for parents to sign up until next Wednesday 10th May.

These appointments will be held in my office – please come to Reception and wait until you are called for your appointment. If you do not usually come into school, please telephone the school office and an appointment will be made for you.

Richard Jones Foundation

We recently received the good news that the Richard Jones Foundation has supported £2000 funding for the Federation to buy a new Science scheme of work, as well as some science playground resources and some Design Technology resources and tools. We are very grateful for their generous support. The trustees of the Foundation meet twice a year and are currently looking for an additional trustee to join them - preferably from the Stanton Drew or Bishop Sutton areas. If you are interested in supporting their work as a volunteer, please email the clerk at:

peter.h.godfrey@gmail.com

It would be great to have school representation on the board of Trustees to consider any Federation applications for resources!

Annual Parent Survey

Every year we ask parents/carers to complete a survey about their child / children's experience at school. This takes place across all the schools in the Lighthouse Schools Partnership, and gives us really valuable information about your views and helps the school to further support students in future. We would really appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete the survey by Friday 12th May. Please do so by clicking the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/Daa1va8BsQ>

Many thanks for taking the time to give your feedback, it is really appreciated. Please note, the form will automatically close at 12 noon on Friday 12th May.

Bank match funding

Several banks match fund events in schools. If there are any parents who work for a bank that match fund events for charity, we would love to hear from you!

Certificates

Well done to the following children who received certificates (for hard work or positive attitude or great behaviour or good manners etc) in the last two celebration assemblies:



Ducklings	Cygnets	Herons	Wrens
The whole class!	Lola	The whole class!	Charlotte
Albie	RJ	Dougie	Albie
Freddie	Florence	Ellie	Henry
Lola-Mae	Harry	Lyla	
Eleanor	Sophia	Maisie	
	Daniil		
Swans	Swallows	Kingfishers	Headteacher Awards
Elliot H	The whole class!	Tyler	Kian
Ayra	Oscar	Wilf B	Sam W
Toby	Ellis	Eleanor	
Henry	Finley	Wilf R	
	Phoenix	Mia	
	Tilly	Dexter	

Note: the records are made by Y6 children so apologies if there are any omissions/mistakes

PTA

King's Coronation

We will be celebrating the King's Coronation after school on **Friday 5th May**. **Herons and Cygnets** will be hosting the **cake sale** with teas and coffees being served.

If you ordered a Coronation school tea towel, we are hoping that these will be delivered by Friday 5th May. We will have a limited amount of extra tea towels to be purchased, so please speak to your class rep if you would like one.

Win a Merlin Silver pass for 4

This fantastic prize for 4 will give you free entry to attractions all over the country for a whole YEAR, including Sea Life Centres, the London Eye, Legoland, Madame Tussauds, Alton Towers, and so much more! Simply buy a ticket by Saturday 29th April to be in with a chance to win this awesome prize, and make your school holiday plans oh-so-simple! That's on top of the weekly local cash prize and the **£25,000** national jackpot!

[BUY TICKETS FOR JUST £1](#)

Easyfundraising

Over 7,000 brands will donate to us for FREE when you shop with them via easyfundraising such as John Lewis & Partners, Argos, eBay, Just Eat, Booking.com, Uswitch and more. If you've not signed up yet, it's easy and makes a huge difference to us. Once you've raised your first £5, easyfundraising will double it!

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Textile Recycling

The textile bank is now empty again! So if you are having a spring clear out, you can recycle unwanted textiles and raise money for the school.

For every tonne of textiles placed in the bank, we receive £300 from C & G Collections!

OUTSIDE EVENTS



Free creative writing and drama workshops series for 7-11 year olds at Keynsham Library this May half term!

Join Children's author and award-winning theatre maker Tessa Bide's series of three workshops to create interesting characters, build believable worlds, and shape exciting stories through games and fun exercises.

10:00 - 11.30am at Keynsham Library
30, 31 May and 1 June

Book via Eventbrite, scan the QR code
<https://bit.ly/TessaBideWorkshopKeynsham>



- *Children must be supervised by a parent/carer
- *One ticket is valid for all three workshops
- *Please only book tickets for participating children.

Got Questions?

Email: Library_Events@bathnes.gov.uk

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The 2023 Chew Valley 10k Is Open for Entries!

This year's Chew Valley 10k will take place on Sunday 11th June at 9.30am and entries are now open! Come and join in our fun community event on this beautiful, rural route from Bishop Sutton Village Hall, with plenty of friendly marshals to support you and a bespoke event medal for all finishers! Bishop Sutton School Society will once again be a main beneficiary and if you would like to raise additional funds, you can create a Sportsgiving fundraising page at the click of a button on the entry page.

There are a range of categories and all runners will also be able to upload a professional photo of themselves in action. All details and to enter can be found at www.chewvalley10k.co.uk and you can keep up-to-date by following the event on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter - thank you for your support - we hope you can join us!

Term Dates for the Academic Year	2022-23
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023 – Friday 31 March 2023
Easter Holiday	Monday 03 April 2023 – Friday 14 April 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023 – Friday 26 May 2023
Half Term	Monday 29 May 2023 – Friday 2 June
Inset Day	Monday 5 June 2023
Term 6	Tuesday 6 June 2023 – Friday 21 July 2023

Term Dates for the Academic Year	2023-24
Inset Day	Friday 1 st September 2023
Inset Day	Monday 4 th September 2023
Term 1	Tuesday 5 th September 2023 – Thursday 19 th October 2023
Inset Day	Friday 20 th October 2023
Half Term Holiday	Monday 23 rd October 2023– Friday 27 th October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 th October 2023 – Friday 15 th December 2023
Inset Day	Friday 17 th November 2023
Christmas Holiday	Monday 18 th December 2023 – Monday 1 st January 2024
Term 3	Tuesday 2 nd January 2024 –Friday 9 th February 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 12 th February 2024 – Friday 16 th February 2024
Inset Day	Monday 19 th February 2024
Term 4	Tuesday 20 th February 2024- Thursday 28 th March 2024
Easter Holiday	Friday 29 th March 2024 – Friday 12 th April 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 th April 2024 – Friday 24 th May 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 th May 2024 – Friday 31 st May 2024
Inset Day	Monday 3 rd June 2024
Term 6	Tuesday 4 th June 2024 – Tuesday 23 rd July 2024

The newsletter is also available on our website <http://bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk>



Valley Arts presents Nature Camera Action with Doug Allan

Saturday 13th May 2023 – 7.30pm, Ubley Parish Hall

Join us for another fascinating evening of adventures and insights from award winning wildlife and documentary camera man Doug Allen.

Doug has filmed for series such as Blue Planet, Planet Earth,

Human Planet and Frozen Planet and given hundreds of presentations about our changing planet and how best to deal with the challenges it's facing.

For tickets please visit www.valleyartscentre.co.uk

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Ubley Hall
BS40 6PN

Tickets from
www.valleyartscentre.co.uk