



**January**

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup>                      Cookery for Cygnets - morning

**February**

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>                        Cookery for Swallows - all day

Mon 6<sup>th</sup>                         Village walk - Ducklings

Fri 10<sup>th</sup>                         Last day of Term 3

Mon 20<sup>th</sup>                        First day of Term 4

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup>                      Cookery for Herons - morning

**March**

Wed 1<sup>st</sup>                         Y3/4 Netball Festival at CVS (*details to follow*)

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup>                        Cookery for Swans - all day

Tues 7<sup>th</sup>                         Y6 Football Tournament (9 a side) at CVS (*details to follow*)

Thurs 9<sup>th</sup>                        Cookery for Ducklings – morning

Tues 14<sup>th</sup>                        Parent/teacher consultations (*all classes - after school*)

Wed 15<sup>th</sup>                        Parent/teacher consultations (*all classes apart from Swans - after school*)

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>                        Parent/teacher consultations (*Swans class only - after school*)

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>                        Cookery for Wrens – all day

Mon 20<sup>th</sup>                        Cookery for Kingfishers – all day

Fri 31<sup>st</sup>                         Last day of Term 4

**Don't forget all the dates are on the website.**

**School News**

**Update from Mr Cook**

Happy New Year and welcome back to another busy term! I hope you all enjoyed a restful and peaceful Christmas and managed to find time to relax and celebrate with families and friends. Welcome to all our new children and families – the school is the largest that it has ever been with 182 children on roll.

**Staff News**

After 28 years at Bishop Sutton, Mrs Dimmock will be retiring at the end of March. She has worked and supported children, families and staff for many years; this is going to be a huge loss to the school and the community! More news to follow on replacement plans and celebrations!

This term we welcome Miss Chloe Stuckey to the team who will be providing some additional support in Kingfishers Class. Mrs Blannin has stepped back from her three day a week support role in Wrens and has been replaced By Miss Jordan Walker. No doubt you will still see Mrs Blannin from time to time as she continues to provide supply cover if staff are absent (training, sickness etc).

**Apple and 'Apple-style' watches**

Unfortunately we have had a minor issue with Apple-style watches that some children are wearing as they have a screen and access to games as well as being able to take photos/video. Please do not let your child bring these devices into school. If we see them, we will confiscate them for the day and contact you to repeat this message!



## Road Safety/Pedestrian Training for all children

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan, we welcomed Debbie and Tracey from the South Gloucestershire Road Safety team for a day of activities around road safety finishing with a special assembly in the afternoon – see pictures below. Many thanks to our parent volunteers for supporting classes on the day; pictures below!



## Nut Allergies

We have a small number of children who have serious nut allergies in school; can I please remind you that we do not want any nuts/nut products in school and we do expect all parents to support with this.



## Parent/Teacher Consultations in T4

You may have noticed from the list of dates above that we have set our dates for Parent/Teacher consultations in T4. Booking for this will take place from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb.

## New Phone System

We have a new telephone system including voicemail options. Please ensure that you press the correct option so that your call is directed appropriately. This is especially relevant for Before and After School Club as their phone will only ring when you press option 2.



## Cookery Days



The PTA have kindly agreed to support another round of cookery lessons in T3/4 with Sara from Live, Learn Cook. The focus will be on healthy eating messages including sugar smart targets. We will be asking for a parental contribution of £2.50 per child - a letter for all children will follow next week.

## Attendance Policy Jan 2023

A reminder that our revised Attendance Policy is in place; it is really important that all parents understand the higher expectations around regular school attendance and that all schools across the country will be following much more stringent controls/checks to reduce the level of absence.

A link to a letter about attendance from Gary Lewis (CEO of Lighthouse Schools Partnership) is here:  
<https://www.bishopsuttonstantondrew.co.uk/site/data/files/documents/newsletters/1B4907FB2865DCD2FC712321C4242548.pdf>



### Certificates

Well done to the following children who received certificates (for hard work or positive attitude or great behaviour or good manners etc) in our first celebration assembly today:

Ducklings	Cygnets	Hérons	Wrens
Felix & Arrietty	Lola, Sophia and Rj	Holly & Evie	Ben & Charlotte
Swans	Swallows	Kingfishers	Headteacher Awards
Florence & Ava	Tilly, Charlie, Matilda & Chloe	Louie & Barnaby	Fearne

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

### INSET days for 2023/24 reminder

You will see from the list of dates below that the term/holiday dates have been set by LSP; please note that in 2023/24 there will be 6 INSET days.

I hope you enjoy a brilliant weekend!

DC

### Residential Visit to Mill on the Brue 2023 letter

For children currently in Y5 please check the children's bags for a letter sent yesterday for this visit (30<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023). A deposit of £42 is required to secure a place for your child by Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February please.

### Special School Dinner Menu

Mrs Light we be cooking a special Burger Day Meal on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January. Please order in the normal way via the Aspens Select System.



# CHEW VALLEY 10K

Are you looking for a fitness challenge to help spur on your 2023 fitness goals and an opportunity to help raise much-needed funding to support sports and wellbeing learning at Bishop Sutton Primary School?

We are delighted to announce that the 2023 Chew Valley 10K will take place on Sunday 11th June.

For all newcomers, budding runners (we welcome runners from 15 years upwards), seasoned trail blasters and those who really want to push themselves up that hill, we would love you to join us for a fun and safe day. To find out more about our wonderful local event, go to <http://www.chewvalley10k.co.uk/>

For those who are ready to sign up, head over to Race Nation at <https://race.nation.co.uk/register/chew-valley-10k/chew-valley-10k-2023>

We are delighted to be supported by a number of local sponsors, including our main sponsors, Truespeed and Winford Ford, who help us to raise vital funds for a number of different charities including our main beneficiaries: Bishop Sutton School Society, Chew Valley School Society and NICU Support.

Do have a look at our website.

We will be thrilled to welcome and see you for what is always a special summer day!

<http://www.chewvalley10k.co.uk/>

## February Half Term **Valley Arts V** Drama Days

Both drama days are led by director and writer Toby Hulse of Roustabout Theatre.

**Tues 14th February 10am - 4pm**  
**Chew Magna Baptist Chapel**

### Make your Own Drama Adventure!

In just one day, using all kinds of theatre games and practical activities, we will work together to create a unique book in which the reader is the hero of a daring adventure story. An acting, writing, and drawing experience like no other.



**Wed 15th February 10am - 4pm**  
**Chew Magna Baptist Chapel**

### Create a Magical Drama World

Explore a world in which anything and everything can be brought to life, in this one day introduction to puppetry and object theatre. Learn new skills and ways of making theatre; write and rehearse a brand-new play; and finally perform it to an audience.



Places on a first come first served basis – £30 per day – 7-12yrs

To sign up go to [valleyartscentre.co.uk](http://valleyartscentre.co.uk)





Term Dates for the Academic Year	2022-23
Term 3	Wednesday 4 January 2023 – Friday 10 February 2023
Half Term Holiday	Monday 13 February 2023 – Friday 17/02/2023
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 <sup>st</sup> September 2023
Inset Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
Term 1	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 – Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Inset Day	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Half Term Holiday	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023 – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Term 2	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2023
Inset Day	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
Christmas Holiday	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 – Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024
Term 3	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024 – Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Inset Day	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Term 4	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2024- Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Easter Holiday	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Term 5	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Half Term Holiday	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2024
Inset Day	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024
Term 6	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 – Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER 23rd January 2023

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

