# **PARSON STREET TIMES**

"This is going to be a good year!"

It feels like this week has been really busy!

Nursery have been thinking about talking about their emotions; Reception class have been learning phase 3 phonics (see a video to support at home on class story page) and earning a 'Gem Disco' for filling their gem jar; Year 3 and 4 have been learning why people settled near rivers and created poems for antibullying week and lastly Year 5 and 6 have been developing their knowledge of fractions and vocabulary in writing.

We have also got a megaphone on the playground, for children to announce when they have earned a power play card (this is where an adult spots a child using a learning gem in their play). They have loved this!





# **Updates**

#### **Parents/ Carers Evenings**

Parents/Carers Evenings will be on Tuesday 28th November 3.50pm – 6:30pm and Thursday 30th November 3.50pm – 7pm. These will be 10 minutes for each appointment.

You can sign up on Arbor. Please see your child's class teacher or the office if you need support with this. The deadline for appointments will close a day before parents/carers evening. We would like to see as many parents/carers as possible to share the amazing learning your child has completed!

#### **Opal Ambassadors**

This week, our opal ambassadors had training with James from Ashton Park Games and have been given their roles and responsibilities. Some have been out on the playground, spotting kindness and giving out ruby gem cards, which means children can then put a ruby in their class pot.

#### Office

In our collective efforts to create a positive and nurturing environment for our students, we kindly request your continued mindfulness in treating our office staff with courtesy and respect. Our dedicated team works tirelessly to ensure the smooth operation of our school, and a kind and considerate approach goes a long way in fostering a harmonious atmosphere. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in maintaining a culture of mutual respect within our school community. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our shared goal of providing a supportive and enriching educational experience for all.

### PTA

Parson Street have always had a great PTA, which organise many events including Christmas fayres, fundraising events and more! We know many parents/ carers would like to be involved with the PTA and would like to offer their ideas. We will be holding the first PTA AGM event on **Tuesday 21st**November in our Nursery building at 3:45pm. We will support childcare with a 'creche'.

If anyone has any questions surrounding the PTA, please email Mrs Ellis at lellis@parsonstreet.com

As part of my new role, I am always looking at improving communication. Please do let me know if there is any other ways we can improve!

#### **Contact Us**



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Class Dojo pages



# ZOOMING INTO YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

Year 1 have been busy planning their stories, introducing the symbol of subtraction and learning about Florence Nightingale.

Year 2 have been planning a story, using expanded noun phrases. They also have been building on their addition skills and learning multiplication sentences.



# Gem Powers-Ruby:



# Ruby Power...being aware of others and how what you do or say, might make them feel

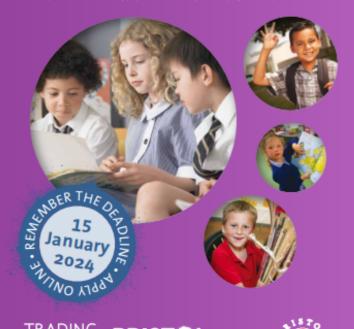
- I can show empathy to others
- I listen and value others
- I know the power of a smile
- I praise and help others
- I show respect and tolerance
- I perform acts of kindness





# A guide for **parents and carers** on applying for a **primary school** place for the school year 2024–2025

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 Augus 2020 you will need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2024



**SCHOOLS** 

www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions

### What do I need to do to apply for a school place?

- Check the guidance on applying for schools - available at www.bristol. gov.uk/schooladmissions, or by contacting School Admissions. The guidance contains details on how & when to apply, information on each school along with their admissions policy and oversubscription criteria. With the mix of different types of school from Church schools. Foundation schools, Academies, Free Schools and Community schools the admissions policy could be different for each school you put as a preference so it's important to ensure you check this carefully.
- Some schools require supplementary forms to be completed as well as the common application form. Make sure you check if this applies to the school(s) you are interested in.
- Visit the schools. All schools hold open days. Contact the school directly for further details on open days.
- Look at the school's prospectus and its website which are useful sources of information.
- You can name up to three school preferences. We advise you to name more than one school.
- Make sure you apply on-time. The deadline is 15 January 2024.

School Admissions (CH) Bristol City Council

PO Box 3399, Bristol, BS1 9NE www.bristol.gov.uk/schooladmissions

e school.admissions@bristol.gov.uk t 0117 903 7694



# Why apply online?

- The system helps you by checking for errors.
- There is no risk that your application will be lost in the post.
- It is quick and easy to do.
- You will get an immediate email confirming that your application has been received.
- You will receive an email notification of the outcome of your application on the same day as the offer letters are posted.
- The system is available 24 hours a day until the final submission time of midnight on 15 January 2024.

# **Important Dates**



Please note the last day of term 2 is Friday 15th December and the first day back of term 3 is Wednesday 3rd January.

What?	When?	Where or information?
Reception Kickstarts	Every Wednesday 8:50-9	Reception class for parents and carers of reception children
PTA AGM Meeting	Tuesday 21st November	Nursery
Y2 trip to SS Great Britain	Friday 24th November	SS Great Britain
Nasal Vaccinations	Monday 27th November	Please see email to opt out of this if wished
Parent/Carer evenings	28th/ 30th November	Please book these on Arbor
Nursery Christmas Performance	Wednesday 6th December	Dragon Hall
		9.15am is for Monday,
		Tuesday and Wednesday all-
		day parents plus 30 hours
		2pm is for Wednesday afternoon, all-day Thursday and Friday parents plus 30 hours
Cherry Class Christmas Performance	Thursday 7th December at 2pm	Dragon Hall
Carol Concert at St Michaels Church	Friday 15th December- PM	St Michaels Church. A letter with more information will be coming out in the coming weeks
Christmas Holidays	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December- Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	
INSET	Tuesday 2nd January	
INSET	Monday 15th April	
INSET	Friday 28th June	
INSET	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	

### **Nasal Flu Immunisations**

Children in Reception to Year 11 are being offered flu vaccinations this winter to help protect them from flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia. Vaccinating your child will also help protect you, your family and friends. The flu vaccine is administered using a nasal spray, this vaccine is free and painless, please ensure you complete your consent form at

https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/consent? v=1.23

If your child is unable to receive the nasal flu vaccine, community catch-up clinics will be available, please contact <a href="mailto:sirona.sch-">sirona.sch-</a>
<a href="mailto:imms@nhs.net">imms@nhs.net</a> or 0300 1245515 for more information. The date this will happen will be:

Monday 27th November

# Coffee Afternoon and Book Lending Library

Come along to our Coffee afternoon hosted by Miss Cousins.

There is no need to book, just come in and chat! We would love to see some new faces.

Date: 21st November
Time: 2:30pm-3:30pm
Location: Parson Street Community
Room

Our book lending library will also be set up the same day!



# **Our community**





- FREE and friendly course to learn new skills, meet people and grow edible plants
- Create a community garden
- Develop valuable skills such as preparing soil, identifying plants and sowing seeds
- · Support for finding work/volunteering/further training

Contact: bryony.sims@bristol.gov.uk

Phone: 07721 512583

Eligibility: Adults aged 19 years plus with few or no formal qualifications or who receive a means tested benefit.





communitylearningwest.net lctinfo@bristol.gov.uk 01172 510230

### Hello, Parents & Guardians!



We are BeeZee Bodies, and we work with Bristol Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyle support for families.\* We run <u>BeeZee Live</u> an online course where you and your family can learn how to make small changes to create healthy habits.

www.beezeebodies.com/programs/families-live

 BeeZee Live times
 5-8 yrs Tuesday 4:30pm

 5-8 yrs Monday 5:30pm
 9-12 yrs Tuesday 5:00pm

 9-12 yrs Monday 6:30pm
 9-12 yrs Tuesday 6:30pm







September is . . . back to school routines

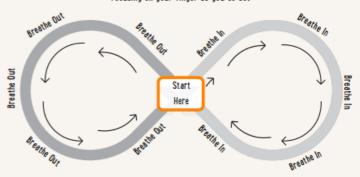




You and your child may be going through a lot of change this week by returning to school or even starting a new school. Breathing exercises is one of the best tools to reduce anxiety.

Using your finger, slowly follow the line of the infinity loop. Take a deep breath in as your finger follows the right hand side, then breathe out as your finger follows the left hand side.

Aim to take 3 to 4 seconds to complete each half of the loop. Repeat this loop 7 times,
focusing on your finger as you do so.



\*To be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to a school in Bristol and include one child who is above their ideal healthy weight.



beezeebodies.com

f BeeZee Families

<u> 03308 186308</u>



Yunex Traffic is a leading intelligent traffic management company with Headquarters in Poole and a local depot at Avonmouth, and we would like to invite local schools to help us launch a road safety campaign.

Children are invited to design and create a Road Safety sticker. The winning entry will have their design displayed on our vans following Road Safety Week 19th to 25th November.

Entries must be received by Friday, 17th November 2023 **(today)** and the winner will receive a £50 Halfords voucher.

## What is Road Safety Week?

Road Safety Week is Brake's biggest road safety campaign. Every year, thousands of schools, organisations, and communities get involved to share important road safety messages, remember people affected by road death and injury, and raise funds to help Brake care for more road victims and campaign for safe roads for everyone.





## **Bristol FOOD Clubs 2023**

Day	Club	Contact
Tuesday 9.30-11am	Lockleaze The Vench, Romney Ave, Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9TB	Emily vaughan@family-action.org.uk
Tuesday 12.30-2.30pm	Broomhill, St Peter's Methodist Church, 170 Allison Rd, Brislington.	Heather wyatt@family-action org uk
Wednesday 9.30-11.30am	St Pauls Children's Centre Family Hub Little Bishop Street BS2 9JF	Becky kay@family-action.org.uk
Wednesday 12.30-2.30pm	Redcliffe Faithspace, Prewett Street, BS1 6PB	Becky kay@family-action.org.uk
Wednesday 1-3pm	Barton Hill Wellspring Settlement 43 Ducie Rd BS5 0AX	Heather wyatt@family-action org uk
Thursday 12.30-2.30pm	Inns Court Community & Family Centre, 1 Marshall Walk, Bristol BS4 1TR	Becky kay@family-action.org.uk
Thursday 1-3pm	Oldbury Court Children's Centre Frenchay Rd, Bristol BS16 2QS	Heather wyatt@family-action.org.uk
Friday 10-11.30am	Hartcliffe Methodist Church Mowcroft Road BS13 0LT	Becky kay@family-action.org.uk
Friday 9.30-11am	Lockleaze The Vench Romney Ave, Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9TB	Emily vaughan@family-action.org.uk
Friday 12.30-2.30pm	Speedwell Speedwell Methodist Church, Bristol, BS15 1ES	eastbristol.childrenscentres@bristol- schools.uk
Friday 1.30- 3pm	Inns Court Community & Family Centre, 1 Marshall Walk, Bristol BS4 1TR	Becky.kay@family-action.org.uk
Friday 3-4.30pm	Bedminster United Reformed Church, 48 Stanley St S, Bedminster, Bristol BS3 3PG	Jackie Smith 01179231039 food@bs3community.org.uk



# PARENTS PLUS Parenting When Separated

A practical and positive evidence-based course for parents who are preparing for, going through or have gone through a separation or divorce.



## A free 7 week Zoom course Includes Taster Session'

Wednesdays 6.30 - 9pm Start date: 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2024 Mondays 12.30 - 3.00pm Start date: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024



# Parents attend different groups

For information and enquiries, please contact
Emily on 07827 979616
relationshipsmatter@bristol.gov.uk
Or use this link to enrol <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/YgdiRVmADg">https://forms.office.com/e/YgdiRVmADg</a>



Parents Plus is an Irish charity that develops practical, evidence-based parenting and mental health programmes. We train professionals working with children and families to deliver the programmes in communities and clinical settings. Our programmes support families to communicate effectively, build satisfying relationships and overcome emotional and behavioural problems.

www.parentsplus.ie