

PARSON STREET TIMES

“This is going to be a good year!”

Thank you to those that attended the PTA AGM meeting this week. It was a good turnout and it was extremely exciting to hear about plans for future events and what our PTA may look like in the future. We know how important our PTA is to Parson Street Primary School: holding events, raising money for the school and creating experiences for our children and families.

We are getting to that time of year when things become really busy: we have school trips, carol concerts, nativities and other events within our community. Please do read the following pages about different events in our area, outside of school that you may want to attend as a family.



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 still have appointments available. Please do make sure to book these up before next week.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mrs Ellis who is expecting her first child in April 2024. The children at school have been told and join Mrs Ellis being very excited about the new adventure for her ahead!

Football in the Car Park

Some children have been playing football in our top car park before school. Please can you speak to your child at home if they are playing football before school, ensuring they only play in our MUGA.

Christmas Lunch

On Tuesday 12th December we will be holding our annual Christmas Lunch Day. All orders (and payments) must be received by Tuesday 28th November. If you do not pre-order, your child will need to bring a packed lunch on this day. An order slip has already gone out, in case you are not able to print off this letter at home. Please return slips to your child's class teacher. **Even if your child normally has a school dinner lunch, you will need to order a Christmas Lunch.**

Nasal flu immunisations

Please see a previous post regarding this years Nasal Flu Vaccinations for YR-6 which will take place on Monday 27th of November by our school nurse team. Please read through the letter carefully and click on the link to complete the consent form. Please note the consent form MUST be filled in whether you DO OR DO NOT want your child to take part. If you have any questions, please do contact the office.

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!

Mrs Ellis

Contact Us



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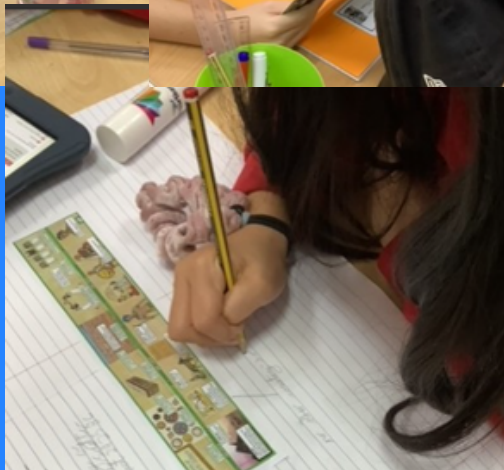
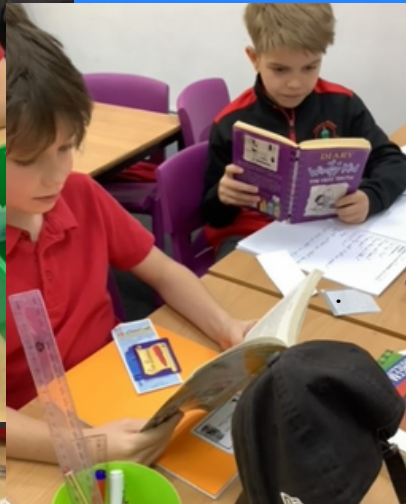


Class Dojo pages

ZOOMING INTO YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4

Year 3 and Year 4 have been really busy this week. They have built on their knowledge of rivers, by labelling them, finding out the features of a river and they then saw how this links to Ancient Egypt. Children have been learning about the chronology of Ancient Egypt as well as why they lived on the riverbanks of the River Nile.

Lots of children have also had their gem time- some of their jar was filled because lots have children have been reading at least 4 times at home!



Gem Powers- Ruby:

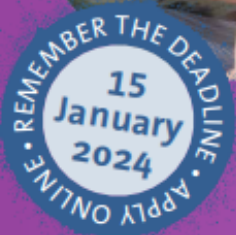
Ruby Power... being aware of others and how what you do or say, might make them feel

- 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 August 2020 you will need to apply for a school place by 15 January 2024



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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.

**A message from Dame Rachel De Souza
Children's Commissioner for England**

I hope that you have seen my national campaign The Big Ambition. It is really important that the pupils at Parson Street Primary School have participated in The Big Ambition survey and had their say.

I want to ensure that the voices of the children in Bristol, City of are fairly represented in the findings so that I can share their views with the most senior members of the country.

I must reiterate that it is vital that all children have their voice heard through this survey because, as Children's Commissioner for England, I have a statutory duty to protect and promote the views and interests of children. The Big Ambition provides a much-needed opportunity for the children of England to tell political decision makers what is important to them ahead of the General Election. I will be sharing their responses with Government to ensure that children's voices are heard.

This survey is for all children aged 0-18, parents, carers /other adults can complete on behalf of children who are under 6 or for children who need extra assistance. This is a great opportunity to teach children about politics and why it is important for them to use their voice!

Children or parents can complete the survey here:
www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition .



The Children's Commissioner for England has recently launched 'The Big Ambition' to hear directly from children, young people and parents across the country.

We want to hear from all children, in every part of the country and in every setting.

This is your chance to tell key policymakers what is important to you ahead of the general election. Take part now and ensure your needs are reflected in the decisions that will affect you in years to come.

Scan the QR code to
take part



**CHILDREN'S
COMMISSIONER**

www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition



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
Nasal Vaccinations	Monday 27 th November	Please see email to opt out of this if wished
Parent/Carer evenings	28 th / 30 th November	Please book these on Arbor
Choir Performance at The Southville Centre	Monday 4 th December	Children who attend choir club will be invited to this
Christmas Decorating at The Southville Centre	Monday 11 th December	Opal Ambassadors will be invited to this
Nursery Christmas Performance	Wednesday 6 th 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 7 th December at 2pm	Dragon Hall
Carol Concert at St Michaels Church	Friday 15 th December- PM	St Michaels Church. A letter with more information will be coming out in the coming weeks
Christmas Holidays	Monday 18 th December- Tuesday 2 nd January	
INSET	Tuesday 2 nd January	
INSET	Monday 15 th April	
INSET	Friday 28 th June	
INSET	Monday 22 nd and Tuesday 23 rd 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 sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net 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: 28th November

Time: 2:30pm-3:30pm

Location: Parson Street Community Room

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



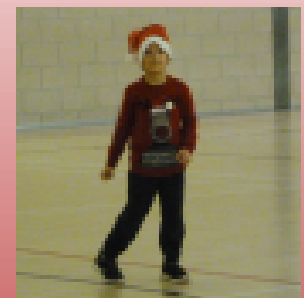


Holiday Activities



December 2023

Activity	Time & Price	Age
Monday 18th December		
Escape Zone	Standard Day (£20) - ED (£24) - Full Day (£26)	4-14
Tuesday 19th December		
Escape Zone	Standard Day (£20) - ED (£24) - Full Day (£26)	4-14
Wednesday 20th December		
Escape Zone	Standard Day (£20) - ED (£24) - Full Day (£26)	4-14
Thursday 21st December		
Christmas Party Day	Standard Day (£24) - ED (£26) - Full Day (£28)	4-14
Friday 22nd December		
Escape Zone	Standard Day (£20) - ED (£24) - Full Day (£26)	4-14



All bookings MUST be made online via: <https://ashtonparksports.schoolactivity.co.uk/>
 Childcare Voucher Payments are accepted. Please enquire via email.



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229th Scout's Advent Trail

An Activity trail including
crafts, games and goodies
leading to a visit with santa

Full Details found on QR
including time slots



A range of snacks, stalls
and Hot drink for adults

waiting
£10 per child

2nd December 3-6pm

3rd December 10am-1pm

Scout HQ, Raynes Road,
BS3 2DJ



Switzerland 2024
fundraiser

COSY CHRISTMAS

Join us for two festive films & more!



Thursday 14th Dec
5pm - 7.30pm

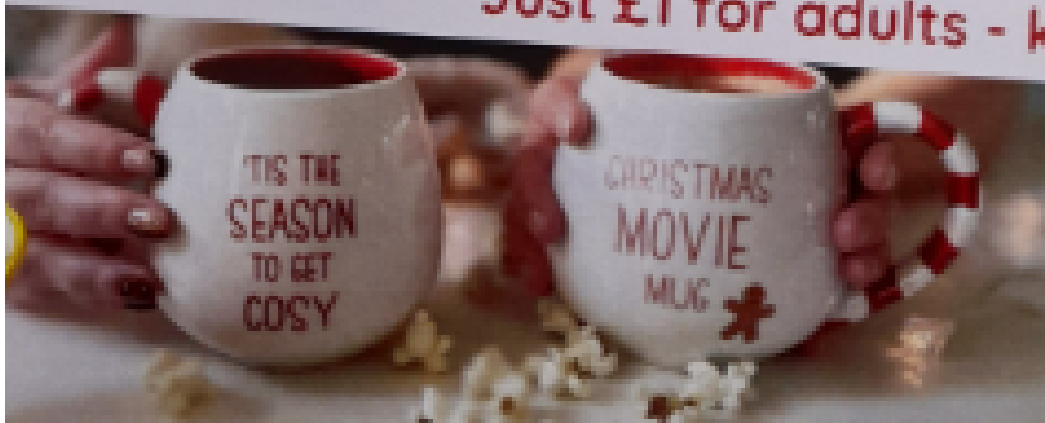
- Festive film is Elf
- Christmas crafts activities
- Mulled cider and hot drinks
- Hot and cold food available



Saturday 16th Dec
10.30am - 1pm

- Festive film is The Grinch (2018)
- Christmas craft activities
- Christmas carol & bell ringing workshop
- Hot drinks and food available

Just £1 for adults - kids go free!



At the Southville Centre, Beaulley Rd, BS3 1QG

book today!



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: **3rd January 2024**
Mondays 12.30 - 3.00pm
Start date: **8th 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 <https://forms.office.com/e/YgdiRVmADg>


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