

11 July 2022

Dear Parents

## SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022 - NEWSLETTER NO 37

### CERTIFICATES

Well done to these children who received the certificates for the past week from their teachers.

Mr Dean	-	Sebastian Bowen	Madison Estcourt
Mrs Goode and Mr Allen	-	Dylan Gale	
Miss Abraham	-	Harry Tremlin	
Miss Ramli	-	Caitlin Davies	
Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	-	Naimah Odunuga	
Mr Evens	-	Amber Michael	
Mr Garcia	-	Sameer Arshad	
Mrs Leonard	-	Ozzy Knapp	
Miss Hake	-	Diana Savill	
Mrs North	-	Matilda Milton	
Miss Wingett	-	Ronnie Butler	

### GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE

Today will see you receive your child's annual school report. Contained within this envelope will be a letter informing you of which class your child will be entering in September 2022. I would like to welcome some new members of staff who will be joining us in September. As you know Miss Moore is reducing her hours and will no longer be one of the class teachers. Mr Stuart Ramshaw will be working alongside Mrs Williams in September in the Year 3 and 4 class. We also welcome Miss Ellie Cantin who will be joining the EYFS team in Reception and be working with Miss Wingett. Mrs Amy Rutter also joins us as a teaching assistant as well in Year 1.

These are the classes and who will be working in them

Year group	Class teacher(s)	Teaching assistants	Specialist teaching assistants
Reception 1	Miss Rebecca Wingett	Miss Ellie Cantin	Mrs Paula Vicary
Reception 2	Mrs Kate North and Ms Carolyn Hill	Mrs Beckie Jones	
Year 1	Miss Sarah Hake	Mrs Sarah Brooks	Miss Katie Kettle, Mrs Amy Rutter
Year 1/ 2	Mrs Debbie Leonard	Mrs Rachael Greenland	Mrs Sandra McAulay, Mrs Lizzie Swann, Mr Sam Evans
Year 2	Mr Nick Garcia	Mrs Rachael Greenland and Mrs Michelle Bryant	Mrs Vicki Laing
Year 3	Mr Gavin Evens	Miss Sharon Ivory	Mrs Trudy Challis
Year 3 /4	Mrs Jenny Williams and Mr Stuart Ramshaw	Mrs Amanda Davis Jones Mrs Michelle Bryant	
Year 4	Miss Yasmin Ramli		Mrs Sally Spicer
Year 5	Miss Anna Abraham	Mrs Sarah Bailey	
Year 5/ 6	Mrs Katie Goode and Mr Tom Allen	Miss Elaine Jamieson	
Year 6	Mr Tim Dean		Miss Rachel Hickey (School based tutoring)
SENCo	Mrs Samantha McDowall		

PPA cover	Miss Susan Winter (Year 5 and 6) Mrs Jenny Williams (Year 1 to 4 Music) Miss Caroline Moore - PE	Mrs Paula Vicary (Reception to Year 4 Forest Schools) Mr Dave Wallace	
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### HOT WEATHER

This week we will be seeing many days of hot weather. Therefore, we will not be requiring the children to wear ties for the next three days. Please don't forget to send the children in with water bottles, hats and sunscreen. We need to keep the children safe and hydrated.

### CELEBRATION DAY

We are so looking forward to welcoming you back into school to re-instate our Celebration Day on Friday 15 July. You will be able to come into school and see your child's work and visit their classroom. We have made the decision to split the day across the school so that there isn't a huge crush and everyone in school at once. Some of the younger children find this overwhelming and their just isn't enough space in school. Therefore, these are the times for each class.

9.15 – 10.30 am	10.45 – 12.00 am	2.00 – 3.15pm
Rec 1 – Miss Wingett	Year 1 – Miss Hake	Rec 2 – Mrs North and Ms Hill
Year 1/ 2 – Mrs Leonard	Year 3 – Mr Evens	Year 2 – Mr Garcia
Year 3/ 4 – Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	Year 5 – Miss Abraham	Year 4 – Miss Ramli
Year 5/6 – Mrs Goode and Mr Allen		Year 6 – Mr Dean

The children will have a picnic on that day for lunch so there will be no cooked meals just sandwiches made from the kitchen. Please book or rebook via Parent Pay.

### VISIT TO THE WAVE

On Tuesday Year 4 and our Key Stage 2 School Parliament representatives attended the official Queen's Baton Relay at The Wave. The 294-day round-the-world relay began last October and is part of the lead up to the 2022 Commonwealth Games in Birmingham. After having lunch in the beautiful surroundings, the children lined the pier and watched as Georgina Moore, founder of Bristol Wheelchair Boccia Club, handed over the baton to the founder of The Wave, Nick Hounsfeld. The children celebrated and cheered as the baton was taken onto the water for a surf. After the relay, 19 children took part in a beginners surf lesson. They had so much fun and it was fantastic to see them show great resilience and perseverance. We even had some surfing superstars who were able to stand up on their boards! We finished the day by playing in the adventure playground before returning to school with lots of very tired children and adults. A special thank you to all of the parents and family members who attended. We had a brilliant day and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it.



We have now the total funds raised from Tour d'Almondsbury. The children managed to raise the magnificent sum of £2,774.92. Well done to everyone and thank you so much for the support for the efforts for children in Ukraine.

### YEAR 4 MUSIC CONCERT



On Saturday afternoon some children from year 3 and 4 had the opportunity to perform at the South Gloucestershire Music Hub summer concert. They performed so well and sang absolutely beautifully, singing a selection of songs from the 'Raise the Roof' music festival. They looked so smart in their school uniforms and behaved impeccably. Well done to all the



children involved.

## YEAR 5/6 SCHOOL OF ROCK PERFORMANCE

Please note the start of the School of Rock Performances will be 6.30pm. Thank you.

## MADHAIR DAY



The children had a great time with the Madhair day on Friday. Thank you for your donations which raised £207.04 for the PA Fund Raising effort.



## NATIONAL BOOK TOKENS

The National Book Token company are currently running a competition for which the winning school will win £5,000 worth of book tokens to spend on books. This would be a fantastic prize should we be lucky to win. To enable the school to be in with a chance we need as many nominations as possible from staff, parents, governors and the wider Almondsbury community. To nominate the school all you need to do is click the link and enter your details and our school name. [Win £5,000 of National Book Tokens for your school](#) If your nominated entry is picked you will also win £100 worth of book tokens for yourself. The closing date for this is 31 July 2022. Thank you in

advance.

## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



## Visit the library and become a Gadgeteer with the Summer Reading Challenge 2022 - it's FUN and FREE!

All children aged 4 – 11 are invited to take part! Children read books over the summer holiday and collect stickers (including some stinky ones!) to complete their special *Gadgeteers* poster and get a medal and certificate.

Join *Gadgeteers*, Summer Reading Challenge 2022 at a South Gloucestershire library **from Saturday 9 July finishing by Saturday 10 September** and **pick up your FREE bag of Gadgeteer Goodies\*** and see the **difference the Summer Reading Challenge makes to your child's reading:**

'Wonderful. Really got our daughter engaged and excited about reading. Great idea to keep them reading over the summer' *Parent, Emersons Green*

'We really enjoyed completing the challenge. It encouraged my son to read every night as he wanted to complete it as soon as possible. We will definitely be completing again next year. I can see a big improvement in his reading' *Parent, Kingswood*

'...I'd like to do this every day of my entire life!' *Child, Staple Hill*

Children love taking part and there are lots of **awesome FREE activities**: Fizz Pop Science workshops and Gadgeteer themed crafts and Lego clubs.

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Website: [www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk](http://www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk)



Find out more at [www.southglos.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge) or like us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/sgloslibraries](http://www.facebook.com/sgloslibraries) for the latest updates.

\* Available whilst stocks last.

## SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Please see the link below for the exciting opportunities for Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme provision over the summer holidays.

[Supporting families in school holidays | BETA - South Gloucestershire Council \(southglos.gov.uk\)](http://www.southglos.gov.uk)

These activities are free for those pupils who are entitled to Free School Meals. Please look through the programme of activities for those you are interested in and apply by following the booking links to book directly with providers.

## LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested in becoming part of our lunchtime team or know of anyone who would enjoy working with our children, then please contact the office for more details. The hours are 11.50am to 1.20pm Monday to Friday. Hopefully, we will be able to recruit very shortly.



## Are you looking for term time, flexible or part time work?

Integra is part of South Gloucestershire Council and we're looking for committed and reliable people for a range of cleaning and catering positions that we currently have. No formal qualifications or experience is required, as full training and support will be provided, although some experience is required for some of our catering roles.

We are a dynamic, forward-looking authority and our success is built on our people, which is why we are committed to ensuring equal opportunities for everyone who works for us.

We have various roles, flexible working hours and term time options available, so if you or someone you know maybe interested in joining us, please contact our teams below.

For catering roles, contact: Rosemarie Matthews 07712238228

For cleaning roles, contact: Alison Miles 07753782865



## NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Please remember that we are a nut-free school. Please do not send your child to school with nuts or nut-based products for snacks or in their lunch boxes.

## PA NEWS

### AUCTION BALL - 1st October 2022

Tickets will be on sale until the end of term - July 21 – don't leave it too late to get yours!! [Almondsbury School Parents Association \(pta-events.co.uk\)](http://AlmondsburySchoolParentsAssociation(pta-events.co.uk))

Tickets are available as a table of 10 or individually – if you are buying individual tickets and would like to be seated at the same table as friends, please email [amy.l.atherton@icloud.com](mailto:amy.l.atherton@icloud.com) and we will do our utmost to accommodate all requests.

If you would like to donate or sponsor an Auction Prize please email [emma.fitzgibbon@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:emma.fitzgibbon@hotmail.co.uk)

You or your business will get a big shout-out on the night and mentioned in the Auction Ball brochures, scattered all over the event (unless you choose to remain anonymous)!

## HELPFUL WEBSITES

There are a number of websites that will be helpful for each child to investigate to help them with their home learning. This week's website is: [Summer Reading Challenge](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.com)

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.D. Smith'.

**Mr Paul D Smith**  
Executive Head Teacher

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**LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE**

<b>CONTENT</b>	<b>YEAR GROUP</b>	<b>INFORMATION OR ACTION</b>
		Information and action
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**DATES 2021/22**

**TERM 6**

Wednesday 13 July	Year 5 and 6 production School of Rock 6.30pm
Thursday 14 July	Year 5 and 6 production School of Rock 6.30pm
Friday 15 July	Celebration Day with parental visits and picnic for children Mr Evens's class swimming
Tuesday 19 July	Year 3 visit to water treatment plant
Wednesday 20 July	Year 4 visit to water treatment plant
Thursday 21 July	Year 6 Leaver's Service 9.30am Last day of the school year

**DATES FOR 2022/23**

**TERM 1**

Thursday 1 September	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
Friday 2 September	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
Monday 5 September	Start of the new school year for pupils in Years 1 to 6
Wednesday 7 September	New Reception children start school on phased intake
Monday 12 September	Reception children all in school mornings plus lunch
Friday 16 September	Swimming starts at Tockington for Miss Ramli's class plus those in catch up in Year 5
Monday 19 September	Year 6 residential visit to Paris, France Reception children start school full time
Friday 23 September	Year 6 return from Paris, France Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 30 September	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 7 October	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 14 October	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 21 October	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5 End of Term 1

**TERM 2**

Monday 31 October	INSET DAY – school closed to pupils
Friday 4 November	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 11 November	Individual photographs in school Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 18 November	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 25 November	Swimming for Miss Ramli's class and catch up for Year 5
Friday 16 December	End of Term 2

**Term dates for 2022/23**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Starts</b>	<b>Ends</b>
Term 1	Thursday 1 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Term 2	Monday 31 October 2022	Friday 16 December 2022
Term 3	Tuesday 3 January 2023	Friday 11 February 2023
Term 4	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Term 5	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023
INSET DAYS confirmed for next academic year	Thursday 1 September 2022 Friday 2 September 2022 Monday 31 October 2022 Tuesday 3 January 2023 Friday 26 May 2023	