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Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a lovely term and the children have shown how settled they are within their new classes. It's always a step change for the children when they advance to a new class or a new key stage but it shows how resilient the children are with how they approach this. We are very proud of them.

At the end of the term, we always award one child from each class who has



consistently shown the school value of the term. They get a certificate, special badge along with the opportunity to come to afternoon tea with me. It was an absolute delight to have the children below join me and share what they have done all term. They are great role models of our school values in action.

I do hope that you have a lovely half term and manage to spend some time together as a family. The children have worked very hard and definitely deserve the time to rest.

We wish you a lovely week.

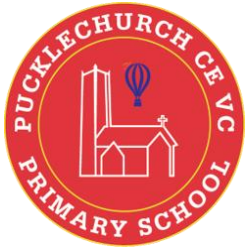
Mrs Capel

Term 2 dates

- 30th October – Year 6 Residential week
- 31st October - New Reception 2024 2pm
- 2nd November – Year 4 MTC parent session 5pm
- 9th November – Careers day
- 10th November – Parent coffee morning – all welcome 9am
- 17th November – Children in Need day
- 22nd November – Year 5 Cornet performance for parents @1:30pm
- 28th November – Flu Immunisation
- 28th November – Year 6 National Child Measurement
- 28th & 29th November - Learning meetings
- 6th December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas performance 2pm
- 7th December - EYFS/KS1 Christmas performance 9.10
- 8th December - Parent coffee morning – all welcome 9am
- 11th December – EYFS Christmas lunch
- 12th December – KS1 Christmas lunch
- 13th December – Year 3/4 Christmas lunch
- 13th December – KS2 Christmas service at the church – parents welcome 9.15
- 14th December – Year 5/6 Christmas lunch
- 14th December – KS2 Christmas service at the church – parents welcome 2pm.
- 15th December – End of term



2nd January 2024
15th April 2024
14th June 2024





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 <p>Reading</p> <p>Seacole SD –65% Armstrong MN -60% Armstrong IC 60% Newton BM –59% Newton JB –61% Newton RF –70% King AB – 87.5% King MP –59%</p>	<p>Class Attendance</p> <p>Seacole SD – 97.2% Armstrong MN –98.4% Armstrong IC –94.3% Newton BM –97.4% Newton JB –95.1% Newton RF –93.8% King AB –92.7% King MP –96.5%</p>  <p>Attendance</p>
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Netball
Well done to our Year 5 and 6 Netball team for taking part in the first 'come and play' netball festival run by CSET. The girls all showed excellent team work and determination in all of the games and were a pleasure to coach. We are looking forward to organising and attending some more netball fixtures later on this year.

Year 4 MTC Parent Session

Parents/carers of year 4 are invited to join us in school at 5pm on November the 2nd. This will be an opportunity to understand the multiplication check that all children in year 4 take part in. The session will talk through the structure and how in school we measure the children's accuracy and what else you can do at home to help. We look forward to seeing you on the 2nd.



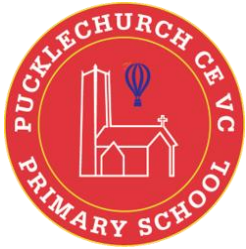
Careers Day

We are holding a Careers day on 9th November and wondered if any parents would like to come in and share with the child what you do in your jobs. We are looking for a range of people and roles. Please let the office know if you are able to come along.

Harvest

We would like to say a big thank you for all the donations made for harvest. These will be greatly appreciated at the food bank! Well done to all of the children for all of their hard work towards harvest, it was lovely to see so many different songs, prayers and poems- it was a lovely celebration.





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Seacole

Wow, what a fantastic start to the school year from Seacole. The children have settled really well into the classroom, shown some lovely displays of our class value of friendship



and are now excited more than ever to home our values teddy each week. We are really looking forward to our theme next term of Generosity. Enjoy a well-deserved break Seacole!



Armstrong MN

This term has flown by! We have learned so much in this term and it has been a pleasure to get to know each child. You have all shown a great deal of



determination to overcome all the challenges that you have faces this term and have all been accepted it with lots of enthusiasm. Well done year 1 and I look forward to seeing you

next term!

Armstrong IC

I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know all of the children in Year 2 this term, they are all

very helpful, kind and good listeners. There has been an abundance of friendship demonstrated every day. Our learning has been busy, lots of different writing using the Tin Forest and creativity producing our own pop art. We have also enjoyed comparing old maps of Pucklechurch in History.

Next term we are excited to compare China and the UK in Geography, start our Nativity preparations and create some fantastic pieces in DT.



Newton BM

We can't believe how quickly this term has gone! Year 3 have settled well into their new key stage and have worked hard on their learning. They have lots to show for their efforts this term, including some amazing sculpted Mayan masks, creative pieces of report writing and a wonderful performance in our Harvest festival this week. Let's see what we can achieve next term, everyone! We are looking forward to it already...



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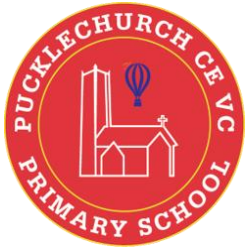
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<p><u>Newton JB</u></p> <p>Thank you and well done to Newton JB on a lovely start to the school year. We have really enjoyed learning all about the Mayans, carrying out experiments on solids, liquids and gases and have been extremely proactive in our times tables practice.</p>   <p>I look forward to next term, and seeing how the children show their generous side as we explore mountains, designing and making in D.T and of course build up to Christmas.</p> 	<p><u>Newton RF</u></p> <p>Newton RF have had a great first term. They have been so enthusiastic about all of our learning. They have loved learning about the ancient Mayan civilization as well as completing scientific experiments where we changed the state of matter of water. Have a well-deserved rest over half term and I can't wait to see what Term 2 brings!</p> 
<p><u>King AB</u></p> <p>King AB have had a lovely first term. They have shown great determination and effort in all of their learning. We have enjoyed learning about the Romans in history and have researched all of our key questions from our enquiry session. We have also enjoyed learning to play the cornet and are excited to perform to you all soon! We'd love to invite you in on the 22nd November @1:30 for a cornet performance. I hope you all have a lovely half term and I look forward to seeing you all ready for term 2.</p>	<p><u>King MP</u></p> <p>Well done to Year 6 for a super first term! We have learnt lots and have had lots of different opportunities including a first aid course where we learnt how we can deal with different injuries. You have all made my first term at Pucklechurch enjoyable and I look forward to next term where we will be going on camp and preparing for our Christmas service.</p>
<p><u>Equities Crew</u></p> <p>This term, equities crew have been busy finding out how we can enhance our breaktimes and lunchtimes so that everyone has something to do that they enjoy. They have also been helping promote Black History Month with this year's theme 'Saluting our sisters' and have helped share stories about Betty Campbell, Malorie Blackman, Yeesha Townsend and Mary Prince.</p> <p>Finally, they are just about to launch this year's reverse Advent calendar and will be super busy next term helping to collect items to donate to the North Bristol Foodbank to help make sure that Christmas is special for everyone. Well done Equities Crew!</p>	<p><u>Eco Crew</u></p> <p>Eco Crew have been very busy this term, we have new bins in the playground so we are currently designing new labels for them to put on in Term 2. We have also planted some daffodil bulbs around KS1 and are excited to see these in the Spring. Next term we will be thinking about anything else we can plant and designing a new bug hotel.</p> 
<p><u>Diversity Crew</u></p> <p>Wow, I have been so impressed with Diversity Crews hard work this term. We have written poems, prayers and led the harvest service at school. It has been wonderful seeing all of their hard work and commitment. Each week Diversity Crew have also been leading our school prayer and they have already started putting their ideas together for next term.</p>	<p><u>Digi Crew</u></p> <p>Digi crew have a big term coming up next as we prepare to create some guides on how to look after technology and create a guide of safe and fun activities for how you can use it, all in the name of helping to preserve those upcoming Christmas presents!</p>



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School Council

This term school council have been brilliant showing the new reception parents around and talking to them about our school. Many of them wrote their own speeches and presented them to the parents – this shows huge courage and is an amazing achievement. We had so much positive feedback from parents about our school council including parents who took the time to email after the sessions to say congratulations. They are brilliant role models for the school. Well done!

Sports Crew

It has been a busy term for the Sports Crew here at Pucklechurch. Many of the children have received training to become our 'Active Champions'. This role involves setting up and games to promote active lunchtime opportunities for KS1. This has been a great success and lots of the younger children are enjoying their lunchtimes. Well done to our 'Active Champions' for a great start to their new role. We look forward to seeing what exciting games you can come up with next!



Conkerama

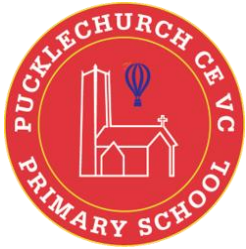
The PTA would like to thank everyone who came along to the Conkerama. Everyone had a great time and the total amount raised was £408.29. Well done!



Art Club Term 2

We are excited to announce that in term 2, art club will be entering a competition where they will have an opportunity for their art to be shown in the winter festival held in Mangotsfield school on the Sunday 3rd December.

3 Children will be awarded certificates for best in school and there will be prizes for the best in the school.



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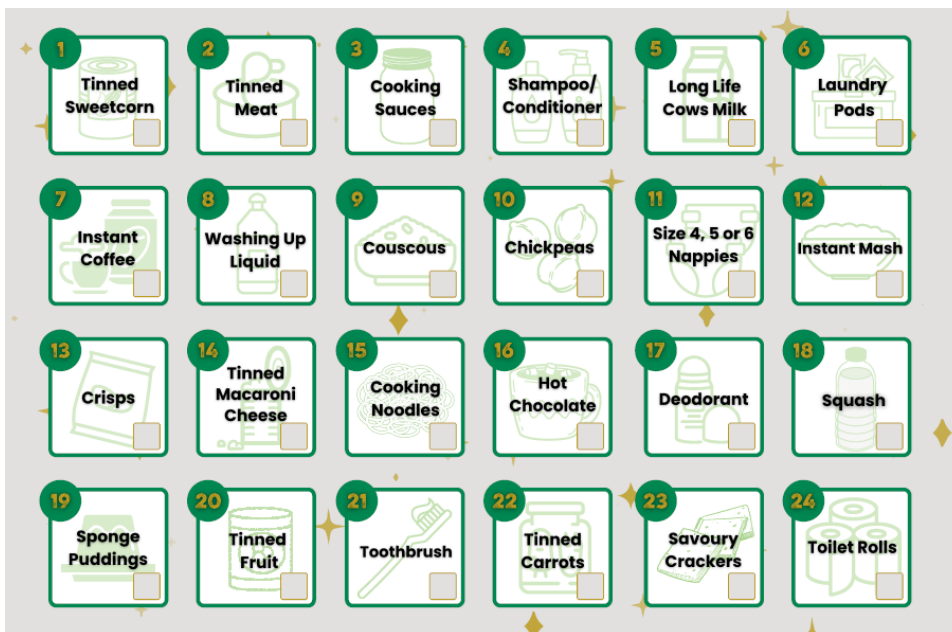
Reverse Advent Calendar

Our value for Term 2 is 'Generosity'. We're sure you will agree that one of the best ways to show the value of generosity is by donating to people who are less fortunate than ourselves which is why, this year, we will be taking part in the North Bristol Foodbank's Reverse Advent Calendar so that everyone can spread a little Christmas joy and help people to have the Christmas celebrations with their families that they deserve.

How does it work?

The reverse advent calendar operates a month early so that the foodbank can distribute these items to families throughout December so for each day of November, the Advent Calendar below has a different item of food which we would like you to bring to school.

What shall I bring in?



Remember that everything should be ambient (not fresh fruit or vegetables and not kept in a fridge or freezer).

When shall I bring in the items?

So that you aren't having to remember to bring different items on different days, you can collect any items for each week of the reverse advent calendar and bring them to school on a Friday.

Where shall I bring them?

You can give them to your child to give to their class teacher or we will have a donations box in the office area to drop them into.

How can I help further?

If you can spare Bags for Life or Christmas gift bags to transport the items to the Food Bank and for the Food Bank to distribute the items, please give these to your child's teacher or drop off at the office with your donations.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!
From Equities Crew



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South Glos Parents and Carers

South Glos Parents and Carers (SGPC) work with schools and families across South Gloucestershire to offer support and information in a way that suits you. Click on the yellow QR code to book any the workshops and courses they are offering throughout November. They are completely free but do fill up so, if you see one you're interested in, book on before it 'sells out'. **Just use the code: AUTUMN at checkout.** Alternatively, if you would like to attend their drop-in sessions, click on the blue/green QR code to find out where your nearest drop in session is.



SGPC Events



JOIN US

Here are a list of face to face courses in November. Please note the location when you book.

8th November 2023 10am – Understanding and Supporting Communication (age 5-25)
15th November 2023 10am – Understanding and Supporting Anxiety
22nd November 2023 10am – Understanding and Supporting Sensory Differences
28th November 2023 10am – Understanding and Supporting Communication (age 0-5)

There are also 2 '360° Approach to...' workshops which are virtual and are run by various different professionals. They are completely free. **Just use the code: AUTUMN at checkout.**

A 360° Approach to Sleep Difficulties



Monday, 6th November 1:15pm

Claire Phillips, an Autism specialist, will look in depth at sleep for children aged 5-16 years and why sleep can be particularly challenging for Neurodiverse Children.

To book your space visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/a-360-approach-to-sleep-tickets-717750570277?aff=oddtcreator>

A 360° Approach to Dyslexia



Tuesday, 14th November 2023

Lucy Fletcher (teacher and dyslexia assessor) leads the workshop and will cover:

- What is dyslexia?
- How does dyslexia co-occur with other neurotypical difficulties?
- How can I support my child at home?
- How can I access further support?
- What are the pros and cons of getting a full diagnostic assessment

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