

ST PHILIP'S NEWS & INFORMATION



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Life in all its fullness John 10:10

Robin

Jay

Dove

Nightingale

Hawk

Eagle

Osprey

Owl

Kestrel

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June 7th 2018

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,



New Staff

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed 2 new lunchtime supervisors: Mrs Messer and Mrs Lewis – both will be working on the junior playground.

Also, we have appointed 2 new teachers to cover for Mrs Whitfield and Mrs Kavanagh whilst they are on maternity leave from September. Mrs Parsons will be covering for Mrs Whitfield and Mrs Mickle will be covering for Mrs Kavanagh.

Staff departures

We will be very sorry to say good bye to Mrs Littlewood this summer. She has faithfully served the school for 20 years and is taking early retirement; she'll be sorely missed by us all.

In addition, Mrs Brown, Mrs Weaver and Miss Leins have all enjoyed working in school so much they are returning to university in September to further their teaching careers – we wish them all the best.



Class arrangements for 2018-19

For the last few years, classes through the school have been arranged in mixed ability groups; from September, classes will be arranged by ability – teachers and governors are in support of this decision which we believe will contribute to improving standards and outcomes for children.

Children will be informed of their new classes on the 5th July when they will all spend some of the morning with their new teachers and the Y6 children will be at their new secondary schools for the day.

SATs & Phonics



Well done to the Y2 & Y6 children who have completed their SATs – I'm delighted with the confidence and resilience they showed – a testimony not only to the pupils' diligence but also to all the hard work and preparation put in by the staff

who supported with booster sessions, 1:1 tuition, coaching and great teaching and care.

The Y1 children will do their Phonics tests next week together with a few from Y2.



Football

St Philip's Primary School Football team won at the semi-finals against Combe Down... 1-0 - well done team!

We're through to the finals!

One Night at the Palladian

As part of our partnership with the Palladian Academy Trust, 47 children from the Dance team and the School Choir will have the opportunity to perform at the Forum at a special event – One Night at the Palladian on the 18th June. Tickets have been made available for parents of those performing.



Year 6 at Kilve

The Year 6 children are enjoying a week of fine weather and great opportunities at Kilve near Minehead. There are some lovely pictures on the school website.



Head Teacher Awards :

Robin	Lily. Ethan. Seren. Annika, James & Josiah.
Jay	Whole class. Miya & Emily. Ruby. Jessica & Charlie.
Dove	Cara & Ruan. Daisy & Lacey. Indie & Theo. Zac, Tia & Joseph.
Nightingale	Elijah. Matthew. Noemi & Eden. Lilou, Rhodri & Alfie,
Hawk	Sanaa & Carla. Brooke & Louis. Balian & Lisa. Riley, Kyle & Owen.
Eagle	Ruby & Lukas. Howell & Libby. Alex, Nick and Sam. Louie & Ilana.
Osprey	Calum & Isaac. Jasper. Robbie & Ethan. Jack.
Kestrel	Lucy & Lewis. Maya & all Year 6. Lola & Luana. Ella & Josh.
Owl	Mia. All Year 6. Halle. Oscar.



Good Companions

Robin class went to St Philip's church to play games with the members of the 'Good Companions club'. They all had a great time and really loved the biscuits and juice provided. We are looking forward to going again.



Year 5 Science

This week, with Yr 6 at camp, Kestrel and Owl Yr 5s have been doing some science experiments... One of their tasks was to see what one could do to prevent apples from turning brown.



Football Coaches

Jay Class were very lucky to have two football coaches from Bath City visit us on Tuesday. The children had great fun!



Cricket Tournament

We look forward to hearing how the tournament goes at the Sulis club today.

Colorfoto (not a spelling endorsed by St Philip's) The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 12th June to take class photographs and Year 6 – please ensure children are suitably attired in their correct uniform and photo-ready... bright-eyed & bushy-tailed.



As always, if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely
Andy Joy
Headteacher

Meeting for Parents of new Starters in Reception

There is a parents meeting at 6:30pm on 13th June, for parents of all new starters in reception in September.