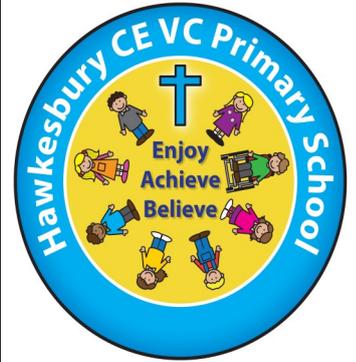


# School News

## December '16



### IT'S THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR

Well, it's certainly one of the busiest! The school is a hive of festive activity as we prepare for a busy month ahead. This month's newsletter details what's on and when in the build up to Christmas. We wish you a very happy festive season.

**DECEMBER**

**2**

**FRIDAY**

### NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

Please could children come to school in non school uniform.  
Could they also bring a donation for the tombola at the PTA's forthcoming Christmas Fair.

**DECEMBER**

**6/7**

**TUES/WED**

### INFANT NATIVITY

Children in Wrens and Robins will be performing Whoops A Daisy Angel.  
Performances are as follows:  
1:30pm on Tuesday 6th December  
9:15am on Wednesday 7th December

**DECEMBER**

**7**

**WEDNESDAY**

### CHRISTMAS LUNCHES

Our traditional Christmas lunch will be served today. The menu is as follows:  
Roast turkey or Vegetarian Wellington  
Sausage wrapped in bacon, stuffing balls, fresh seasonal vegetables, roast potatoes and gravy

**DECEMBER**

**8**

**THURSDAY**

### CAROL SERVICE AT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Come and join the celebration! This fantastic family service takes place at 6pm in the church. With the help of Mrs Setterfield, we have all been learning to sing traditional carols for this service. We have a bus booked ready to take you down to the church from the school. The first trip down the hill is at 5:15pm and the

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**DECEMBER**

**10**

**SATURDAY**

### PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our annual PTA Christmas Fair takes place between 11am and 1pm in the village hall. There will be plenty of craft and shopping stalls, including a children's gift shop, together with refreshments in the form of homemade soup as well as tea and cakes. What's more, Santa is set to make an appearance. Everyone is welcome.

**DECEMBER**

**13**

**TUESDAY**

### KS2 PRODUCTION

Oh yes it is! The children in Swallows and Hawks have been busily learning their lines and are ready to set sail on their production of The Pirates of the Curry Bean.

Both performances are on the Tuesday, the first is at 1:15pm and the second is at 5:30pm.

**DECEMBER**

**14/15**

**WED/THURS**

### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Swallows and Hawks have their parties during the morning on Wednesday 14th. The infants have their party the following morning. It is a tradition for parents of Wren and Robin children to bring in an item of party food (sandwiches, sausages, fruit etc) for a party lunch, which will be held instead of a school dinner. Children should bring in a party hat and come to school in party clothes. A sheet for you to sign will go up on the Robin outdoor chalkboard shortly.

**DECEMBER**

**15**

**THURSDAY**

### BRISTOL OLD VIC

We are delighted to welcome back the Bristol Old Vic touring company, who will be coming to the school to perform a nativity play.

The play will start straight after lunch and should end shortly before the end of the normal school day.

**DECEMBER**

**16**

**FRIDAY**

### LAST DAY OF TERM

We will celebrate the beginning of the Christmas holiday by having a festive jumper day. Children can come to school in festive clothing. If they do not have a Christmas jumper to wear, they can come in red and green.

There will be a celebration service at the slightly earlier time of 1:45pm, when we will end the term with a carol.

### OTHER EVENTS

**DECEMBER**

**2**

**FRIDAY**

Robin trip to Crib Festival in Chipping Sodbury.

**DECEMBER**

**8**

**THURSDAY**

Year 4s Advent Experience in Yate Methodist Church.

**DECEMBER**

**13**

**TUESDAY**

Robin class carol singing at Beaufort House.

# Journalist Club News

## FOOTBALL

On the 24th November, Hawkesbury went to Thornbury to play four games of 7-a-side football. Ben, Fin, Hugo, Rory, Arthur, Warren, William, Sam, Corey and Henry all played really well in all the games. Hawkesbury lost 3 out of 4 games but were victorious in their final match against Old Sodbury A, winning 3-0.

Thanks to all the parents that helped with transport.

## CROSS COUNTRY

Our school cross country team went to the second race meeting at KLB on the 5th of November. Henry W shot the first firework, finishing in 6th. Sammy also had a great result, despite the fact that he was racing against children older than him. Zac and Archie continued to have great results.

## DODGE BALL CLUB

Mr England takes us for dodgeball every Thursday between 2.30 and 3.30pm. Personally, I really like it because we get loads of time to play. We spend at least ten minutes for the warm up, playing a game where we are put into teams and - depending on what team you are in - you have to put cones upside down or the right way up, whilst the other team tries to undo your hard work.

To start playing dodge ball, you get put into teams. You need to throw the ball so that it hits a player on the other side, whilst avoiding being hit yourself! Don't worry: the balls are soft. If you catch it, the person who threw it is out and a person on your team is back in.

## HAWKS VISIT TO THE MOSQUE

Last month Hawks visited the mosque in Gloucester for their R.E. topic. When we got there, we went in the wash room because Muslims wash before they pray.

Muslims pray 5 times a day: once before sunrise, once before lunch, once after lunch, once before sunset and once after lunch. We also visited the praying room. Muslims pray facing towards the holy city.

The best bit about the trip for me was when Hawks tried on the clothes that Muslims wear when they pray.

Thank you to our journalist club members: Fin, Jess, Lana, Anna, Henry, Leo and Gracie.

### **Breakfast Club**

**Monday – Friday 7.30am - 8.30am**

**Food served until 8am**

**£3 per session.**

### **Hawkesbury Afterschool Club**

**Monday – Thursday 2.30pm - 6pm**

**Mini sessions 2.30pm -3.30pm**

**Call Louisa, Danielle or Miranda on:**

**01454 238506 / 07527224741 or email**

## COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Many of you may have heard that the Mobile Library Service will stop later next year.

An option is to set up a Community Library in the village; before funding it the Parish Council is evaluating what the future use of such a library might be.

Your assistance and participation in this venture would be much appreciated.

Do you use the mobile library already?

How often do you use the library?

Would you use a Community Library if there was one? (building yet to be identified)

What would you use it for? (Children's books, information, etc).

What would be your preferred time of day for access?

Would you be interested in helping?

Email your answers to [sue.hope@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:sue.hope@southglos.gov.uk) or contact me for further information.

The Library Service will supply us with a monthly turnaround of books and the training required. We are being asked to provide a secure location. Proper library shelving. Laptop and probably printer to operate the system. There may be a possibility of sponsorship to offset any outlay if we can identify businesses willing to help.

Please let us know if you are willing to use and help in a Community Library.

Hazel Jones and Sue Hope

## FUNDRAISING FOR BRISTOL ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN

I'm trying to make a difference and support Above & Beyond – in [fundraising to refurbish the Neurorehab.unit at Bristol Royal Hospital for Children](#).

My goal is to raise £1,500 to help them continue their important work, and I'd really appreciate it if you could help by sponsoring me through my Supporter page.

To give to my page, or to read more about why I'm doing what I'm doing, please visit:

<https://bristoltoparis2017.everydayhero.com/uk/ken>

It would also be great if you could spread the word about what I'm doing by sharing the link above with your friends and family. The more people that know, the more money we can raise!

As part of the Children's Community Nursing team, I can support children and young people once they get home..... However, some of these young people can spend MONTHS in hospital rehabilitating - nothing can put a price on the impact of this on a child and their family!!!!

So by digging deep and completing the Bristol to Paris cycle challenge I hope to do my bit in supporting this appeal, so please support me however you can .....

THANK YOU in advance

Ken Hull

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE	WHO	OTHER DETAILS
Infant Nativity play	1:30pm Tuesday 6th and 9:15am Wednesday 7th December	School	Families	
Church Carol Service	6pm Thursday 8th December	St Mary's Church	All are welcome	Coaches will take us to the church.
Junior Production	1:15 and 5:30pm Tuesday 13th December	School	Families	Please note that the second performance is at 5:30pm. We would like all KS2 children to take part.
Junior Christmas parties	Wednesday 14th Decem- ber in the morning	School	Swallows and Hawks	
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 14th December	School	Children	
Infant Christmas parties	Thursday 15th December in the morning	School	Wrens and Robins	
Bristol Old Vic Nativity Play	Thursday 15th December on the afternoon	School	Children	
Christmas Jumper Day	Friday 16th December	School	Children	
Last day of Term 2	Friday December 16th	School	Children	
First day of Term 3	Tuesday January 3rd 2017	School	Children	
Parents' Evenings	Tuesday 7th February (early) & Wednesday 8th February (late)	School	Parents and carers	
Last day of Term 3	Friday February 10th	School	Children	
First day of Term 4	Monday February 20th	School	Children	
Spring Concert <b>REVISED DATE</b>	1:15pm and 5:30pm Tuesday 4th April	School	Children	Please note that the second performance is at 5:30pm. We would like all children to take part.
Experience Easter Service <b>REVISED DATE</b>	9:30am Thursday 6th April	St Mary's Church	All are welcome	
Last day of Term 4 for children	Thursday April 6th	School	Children	
Inset Day	Friday April 7th	School	Staff	Children do not come to school
First day of Term 5	Monday April 24th	School	Children	
KS2 SATs week	w/c Monday 8th May	School	Year 6 children	
Last day of Term 5	Friday May 26th	School	Children	
Inset day	Monday June 5th	School	Staff	Children do not come to school
Term 6	Tues June 6th - Fri July 21st	School	Children	