



Headteacher writes:

“Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude.”
A A Milne Winnie the Pooh

This week, Chester Park Infant School was visited by OFSTED on Tuesday and Wednesday. The lead inspector, has asked me to thank the parents, children and staff for their support with the inspection. I would also like to extend my thanks to you on behalf of the school and governors as your comments have been shared with me. I have thanked the pupils and staff separately too. The outcome of the inspection will be published in due course and when this is published, I will share the outcome with you. This is likely to be either very late this term or early next term. Until the outcome is published, all information is confidential, therefore the leaders and governors are not able to share any information shared with them by the lead inspector. Please be patient while the report is prepared for publication. When I wrote to the Junior parents and carers last year following the publication of the OFSTED report for the Junior school, I wrote, 'Schools are more than what is reflected in a short report. Schools are a hub for the community offering; learning, safety, reassurance, fun, compassion and warmth.' - my sentiments relating to this have not changed. The school feel that the visit from OFSTED was fair and I look forward to sharing the full report with you all, in due course.

The Dojo focus for this week, has been around the importance of kindness. A little kindness goes a long way. Sometimes we under estimate the importance of kindness. Today, in assembly it was great to share our Dojo Hero certificates with the children linked to the kindness they had shown over the course of the week. One of the things I have learnt over time, is that sometimes we do not know what to do - when faced with this, I like the phrase. **“If you don't know what to do, Be kind!”** - we have used this in staff training a number of times and it is a simple but very powerful message.

Please check out the dates section of the newsletter - every term in school is busy but as we approach December the busyness is turned up to 11!

Yours in partnership,
Mike, Headteacher



Today, we saw many children supporting the Children in Need appeal by wearing non uniform to school and making a donation to the appeal. Yet again the kindness and generosity of our families is fantastic!

This year, so far, we have raised:

£295.48

Thank you for all your support!

Leave of Absence

We would like to remind all parents/carers that holidays in term time will not be authorised except in **very exceptional circumstances** and penalty notices or other legal sanctions may be issued as a result of taking your child out of school without authorisation.

Good school attendance is essential for your child's progress and skills for life.

In exceptional circumstances, you will need to complete a form to ask permission for leave of absence in advance.



Hot Food

Please can we remind you that hot food should not be brought into school from home.

Uniform Expectations

Children wear the school colours of red and black.

- Black trousers, skirts or long shorts.
- White Polo Top.
- Red sweatshirts or cardigans.

Parents/carers should ensure that children wear sensible footwear to school. Platforms, high heels, backless, sling-back styles, flip flops, jelly shoes, fashion boots, **should not** be worn.

Children must wear socks with all shoes, unless there are exceptional medical circumstances, when medical evidence will be required.



Long hair must be tied back for safety reasons.

We ask that all clothing be clearly labelled with the child's name. We generate large amounts of 'lost property' that we would prefer to return to rightful owners as we have nowhere to store it. The school dress code allows for diversity in the context of race and culture. If there are any questions about this, please feel free to contact the school.

PE Kit

As we are trying to help pupils to develop a healthy attitude to life, we expect pupils to take part in physical activities.

Suitable clothing for P.E. includes:

- For inside PE: Black Shorts/ Skorts and a red T shirt.
- For outside activities black track suit bottoms, **black shorts/skorts and a red T shirt.**

As a rule, gymnastic activities in the school hall will be done in bare feet. When games activities are carried out in the playground or on the field, suitable daps/ plimsoles or trainers need to be worn.

All P.E. equipment needs to be properly labelled and stored in a suitable bag in school.



Jewellery

The wearing of jewellery is not permitted on grounds of Health and Safety. Where families wish for the school to consider allowing a pupil to be able to wear jewellery for religious reasons, this must be agreed with the Headteacher beforehand. In **all** instances there will be an expectation for the jewellery to be removed for physical activities. If pupils have pierced ears we ask, for safety reasons, that these be of a stud type. It is important from a health and safety point of view that these be removed for P.E. activities. Whilst we appreciate there is a period soon after piercing when the studs cannot be removed, we ask parent / carers to show pupils how to do this as soon as possible. Studs can be a health and safety issue in outdoor activities.

Jewellery, including watches must be removed for physical activities and handed to the class teacher for safekeeping. The school will accept no responsibility for the jewellery.

SEND COFFEE AFTERNOON

WITH BRISTOL PARENT CARERS
Wednesday 20th Nov
@ 2-3:30 pm

Come along to chat with Bristol Parent Carers & school staff to find out about services available locally to support your family and children



City Church Bristol invite you to join a Christmas Pudding Making event on the 23rd November at 4pm and 5pm at the Junior school.

Come with friends or family to make a homemade Christmas Pudding that will be ready to cook.

We provide all the instructions and ingredients, so anyone can do it. Tickets are £7.50 per group and include festive refreshments and everything you need for your group to make one Christmas pudding to take home. All you need is your ticket, wooden spoon and mixing bowl.

As well as pudding making we will have some activities out for younger children so everyone can enjoy getting into the Christmas spirit.

The link to book for this event is:

<https://citychurchbris.churchsuite.com/events/pcbocryo>



Dates for your Diary

Infant School

Wednesday 13th November 2024—Open Evening for Reception Intake 2025—6pm—7.30pm
Wednesday 20th November—SEND Coffee Afternoon at Junior School—2-3.30pm
Thursday 21st November—Change of Menu
Wednesday 4th December 2024—Christmas Fair
Monday 9th December 2024—3.30pm—Christmas Sing-a-Long at Junior School
Thursday 12th December 2024—Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumper & Santa Run/Dance Day
Tuesday 17th December—Year 2 Nativity—2pm
Wednesday 18th December—Year 1 Nativity—2pm
Thursday 19th December—Year R Nativity—2pm
Friday 20th December 2024—Class Parties

Junior School

Wednesday 20th November—SEND Coffee Afternoon at Junior School—2-3.30pm
Thursday 21st November—Change of Menu
Wednesday 4th December 2024—Christmas Fair
Monday 9th December 2024—3.30pm—Christmas Sing-a-Long at Junior School
Thursday 12th December—Christmas Lunch, Christmas Jumper & Santa Run/Dance Day
Wednesday 18th December 2024—Years 3 & 4 Performance—3.30pm Junior Hall
Thursday 19th December 2024—Years 5 & 6 Performance—3.30pm Junior Hall
Friday 20th December 2024—Class Parties

Bristol Parenting Groups

- Are you pregnant or a parent of a 0 - 8 year old?
- Would you like to add ideas and skills to your parenting toolbox?
- Would you like to develop more confidence in your parenting?
- Would you like to understand your child better?

Free
 groups for
 adults run
 by Bristol
 Children's
 Centres

Scan here
 to find out
 more and
 register your
 interest!









Your parenting
 toolbox:



For more information please call: **07721 311 497**
 or email: **pssso@bristol.gov.uk**

Once you have registered your interest via:
www.bit.ly/BristolParentingGroups we will be in touch to find
 the best group option for you.

Weekly Celebrations

	Dojo Hero 	Pot of Gold 		Dojo Hero 	Gold Card 
Class	Infant School		Class	Junior School	
Badger	Aaliyah		Apple	Martha	Riley, Finley
Rabbit	Mirha	Santino	Pear	Adam	Aisha, Arthur
Squirrel	Ehsaan		Cherry	Lyra	Lucas, Fred
Bumblebee	Izzy		Acer	Kavae	Ayeza, Libby
Hedgehog	Caleb		Rowan	Liv	Evie, Aliyah
Otter	Maya		Cypress	Ella	Leo, Mustafa
Owl	Muhammad A		Hawthorn	Kamsi	Kate, Sara
Fox	Clementine		Sycamore	Cora	Sam, Bethan
Ducklings			Maple	Leah	Theo, Darcy
Woodlands			Ash	Leona	Sunny, Oscar
			Whitebeam	Nevaeh	Nila, Isabelle
Congratulations to this weeks winners!			Oak	Noah	Ollie, Shayla

Class	Weekly Attendance	Class	Weekly Attendance
Badger	93.0%	Apple	96.8%
Rabbit	85.6%	Pear	93.9%
Squirrel	92.6%	Cherry	95.8%
Bumblebee	95.0%	Acer	87.1%
Hedgehog	89.9%	Rowan	90.8%
Otter	93.1%	Cypress	90.0%
Owl	88.6%	Sycamore	90.4%
Fox	92.5%	Hawthorn	93.6%
		Maple	93.5%
		Whitebeam	89.0%
		Ash	90.8%