



Friday 18th October 2019



An exciting world of learning

Next week is the final week of term and everybody has been working extremely hard. On Monday, Miss. Ali (our Religious Education Leader) will be delivering an assembly about Diwali (officially Sunday 27th October in 2019) and our teachers will dedicate further teaching time to the topic on Friday 25th October. Pupils will be supported in their learning with a mixture of writing, art, craft and cooking activities before parents/carers are invited in to join class celebrations at 2.15pm. How exciting! Please could we remind all parents/carers that whilst we are a non-denominational school, we have a strong commitment to upholding British Values including "Tolerance of those of different Faiths and Beliefs". Your support in celebrating our rich diversity is very much appreciated.



Please be aware that, as a follow up to our recent HMI/Ofsted monitoring visit, Senior Leaders will be sharing feedback at next Wednesday's Parent Forum. This will begin at 9am on Wednesday 23rd October. We look forward to seeing you there. If you cannot attend, we will post the monitoring visit letter electronically in due course. Thank you

Polite notice

Please be respectful of our school grounds by not spitting. We have had some complaints about this behaviour, it can be unpleasant for the children when playing and could be a safety issue if somebody slipped on it. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Attendance update

Last week's attendance for Reception to year 6 was 96.4%.

Please be reminded that Section 444 of the Education Act 1996 states that; if a child of compulsory school age, who is a registered pupil at a school, fails to attend regularly at the school his/her parent(s) are guilty of an offence.

Penalty notices are being issued for unauthorised absences.

Please ask to speak to Mrs Myring if you have any attendance queries or concerns.

Our Language of the Term is Kurdish

Children have been learning about the language and learning to say a few words in Kurdish over this term. Thank you to those parents who have visited to help us with this - the children really enjoyed and benefitted from this. We have planned a celebration of learning about the Kurdish language at the end of this term, children will be sharing what they know in a whole school assembly.

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Parent Forums

As many of you will be aware, parent forums take place in the Family Room at 9:00am on Wednesday's (unless otherwise stated). If you wish to attend, please visit the main office once you have delivered your children to school. Upcoming parent forums:

Wednesday 23rd October 2019: HMI/Ofsted Monitoring Visit Feedback

There will be a new timetable of parent forums next term.

Homework

Homework is available on our website each Friday - thank you for your ongoing support with this. It benefits the children to have their education supplemented and prioritised by parents and carers. The link is:

<http://www.bartonhillbristol.org/832/homework?search=homework>



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Parent ESOL Classes Starting Next Week!

Tuesdays 9.45 - 11.45

24th September - 3rd December

There will be a new course of beginner English classes (English for Speakers of Other Languages) for parents and carers of our children next week. Spaces are limited, so if you are interested please come to the office before Tuesday to put your name on the list. There will be a creche but spaces are limited.



Katy Isaac

EAL Lead

Term Dates

2019 to 2020

Term 1	Wednesday 4 th September to Friday 25 th October 2019
	8 week term
Inset dates	Monday 2 nd & Tuesday 3 rd September
HALF TERM	Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November 2019
Term 2	Monday 4 th November to Friday 20 th December 2019
	7 week term
Inset dates	Friday 22 nd November & Monday 25 th November
WINTER HOLIDAY	Monday 23 rd December 2019 to Friday 3 rd January 2020
Term 3	Tuesday 7 th January to Friday 14 th February 2020
	6 week term
Inset dates	Monday 6 th January
HALF TERM	Monday 17 th to Friday 21 st February 2020
Term 4	Monday 24 th February to Friday 3 rd April 2020
	6 week term
Inset dates	None
SPRING HOLIDAY	Monday 6 th to Friday 17 th April 2020
Term 5	Tuesday 21 st April to Friday 22 nd May 2020 (Bank Holiday Fri 8 th May)
	5 week term
Inset dates	Monday 20 th April
HALF TERM	Monday 25 th to Friday 29 th May 2020
Term 6	Monday 1 st June to Friday 17 th July (13:15pm) 2020
	7 week term
Inset dates	Friday 26 th June and Monday 20 th July
SUMMER HOLIDAY	Tuesday 21 st July to Monday 31 st August 2020

