



NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2017

Dear Parents,

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

We, along with several parents, are very disappointed with the quality of the photographs taken by Tempest Photography last week.

In response to requests from parents we have now booked "**Timeless Images**" to take photographs on **Thursday, 9th November, 2017**, starting at 9.00 am. The company is a local company and I know some parents have used them in the past and have been very happy with the quality and service they provide.

Please do not order any more photos from Tempest Photography – those parents that have placed an order will have them returned today.

ATTENDANCE – Great News!

Since autumn term started, we have an excellent attendance record of 98.73%. Hedgehogs = 99.57%, Foxes = 98.91%, Squirrels = 98.82% and Badgers = 97.63%. Thank you for your commitment, we are extremely proud of these percentages. We must try to maintain this.

FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER – A VERY BUSY DAY!

Children should arrive in school at normal time, in school uniform.

9.15–10.00 a.m. - **Our Harvest Service** will be led by the children and should be a wonderful occasion. Please do try and join us at St. Peter's Church.

Food Donations for the Foodbank

Please only donate the following which are in high need for the Foodbank:

Milk (UHT or powdered)	Tea Bags, Coffee Sugar,	Fruit Juice (Cartons)
Tinned Meat, tinned fish, tinned fruit,	Tinned tomatoes, tinned veg	Rice, Pasta,
Pasta Sauces, Soups	Jams or Spreads	Sponge Pudding (Tins)

Alternatively, the Foodbank is trying to raise money to buy their premises.

If you would consider donating some money to help their cause, this would be gratefully accepted. If cash, please give directly to the School Office and we will ensure it is handed to the right person at the Foodbank, or cheques should be made out to "Bridgwater Foodbank (Building Fund)".





10.00– 11.30 a.m. - **Our Macmillan Coffee Morning** will be held in the Church Rooms. Please do try and join us to raise some funds for an extremely worthwhile charity. If you cannot attend, but still wish to donate, please drop your donations to the school office.

Cakes will be on sale with other refreshments – some of our Year 6 will be on hand to serve and chat with you...I suspect they may be rewarded with some cake too! Please do not donate cakes on this occasion as we will sort this – just help raise funds for Macmillan!

Many thanks for your generosity to help both worthy causes.

KS2 Sleepover

From 6.30 p.m., KS2 children who have signed up will be able to return to school for their Sleepover. Remember to read the details of what you must bring and ensure all children have eaten their dinner. We will provide breakfast in the morning and please collect children 0845 – 0900.

SPEECH AND DRAMA

Congratulations to all those children who took part in the recent LAMDA Speech and Drama examinations. Mr. Kirby has advised us that all the children did superbly well with 13 receiving Distinctions and 4 Merits. The highest mark went to Freya Thomas who gained 90% - a fabulous achievement for her first ever exam.

FOXES CLASS

Sadly, we have been let down for our Farm to Fork Trip which would have taken place on Thursday 12th October – Tesco are no longer able to accommodate us. However, Mrs. O'Leary and Mrs. Tucker are planning a replacement trip and we will let you know soon.

SPORTS NEWS

Well done to our athletes who recently competed at the first Cross County event last week. We are very proud of all our runners, in difficult weather conditions, and special mention to Lola and Max who won their respective races! In addition, our footballers have made it through to the Bridgwater Small School Finals – to be held on Monday, 20th November at RBSC. Congratulations to the squad!

I am in the process of booking some PE activity mornings to replace the PE Festivals we used to use at RBSC with SASP as we wish to improve the provision. Information will be shared when confirmed.

SCHOOL OFFICE

Please be aware Mrs. Hodge will not be available in the School Office from Friday, 13th October to Tuesday, 17th October (inclusive); please try to avoid contacting the office between these dates if at all possible. Of course, if you have an urgent message please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Arnold
Headteacher