



October 12th 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Autumn is really upon us now as the weather starts to get colder and the Autumn tree colours become more glorious. My favourite tree just opposite school on Little Stoke Lane is tinged with red now. The last year I will appreciate its vibrant colours as I drive to school!

I have started conversations with Dan Ross, our new Head, and he will be visiting a number of times next term, including being around at the start and end of the day on some occasions so that many of you can meet him.

VE Day Celebrations 2021

Angela Morey has asked me to include the following advertisement. Please talk to your friends and relatives and do get in touch with Angela if you can contribute to this wonderful idea.



At next year's carnival we would like a **Memories Board** where you can all share your or your family's photos, memories and stories of your or your family's involvement in the 1945 VE day / World War II.

We will attempt to keep it to one A4 landscape per family but we can be flexible! You can share your stories / pictures with us via email: bradleystokecarnival2020@outlook.com or on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BradleyStokeCarnival2020

FOLs Run for Robotics

Once again our fantastic FOLs have pulled out the stops to keep the fund raising going to support your children and to enable school to buy some wonderful extras we couldn't normally afford. This term the Run for Robotics aims to buy robotic and coding equipment to use across the school. Please support us by sponsoring your child in their runs over the next few weeks. The distance to the Science Museum in London will soon be completed!



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Parent and Carers Meetings

I hope you have managed to make a mutually agreeable appointment for meetings with teachers this week. Sadly, the local authority has said that all appointments have to be carried out remotely but I trust this will still be a useful opportunity to talk about how your child has settled back into school and the progress they are making so far this term. Hopefully by term 3 we will be in a position to hold face to face meetings.

Curriculum

We are moving away from our transition Rediscovery Curriculum now and classes are beginning their main curriculum theme. These won't necessarily follow the traditional term lengths but you will know when a new theme is beginning as teachers will send home our informative parent curriculum sheet to enable you to support your child with their learning. The first one of these will come home by the first week of term 2

Pre-School

Little Apples has had a very successful start to the new school year and has a growing number of children attending. If you know anyone looking for a pre-school or looking to change from an existing pre-school, please let them know about Little Apples. They have a fantastic team and great facilities! We will be working very closely with them over the coming year.



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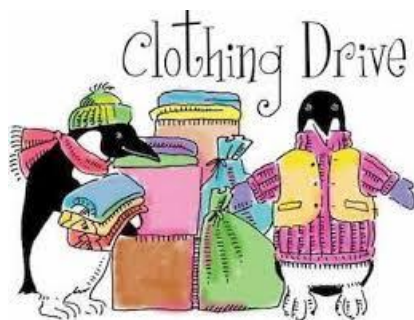
At Little Stoke Primary School

Exciting New Pre-School Opening

NOW FULLY OPEN!

Clothes Drive

Our remote Clothes Drive is proving very popular. Please get your requests in by half term and we will be letting you know that requests are ready in week 1 of term 1.



If you have missed the request forms, please enquire at the office. We have plenty printed out ready. Thanks to Mrs Potterton for coordinating this great initiative.

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Harvest Festival



You can help support the North Bristol Foodbank this Harvest by donating one or two items from our shopping list to equip us with providing for those who are in crisis.

All classes are busy preparing their Harvest Contribution of songs or poetry. These will be on the website under your child's class page by Friday 23rd 2020.

In these challenging times, we would very much like to make our usual contribution to the North Bristol Foodbank.

This year, as well as the usual dried pasta, rice and tinned products, the shopping list on the left shows items they are particularly short of. We have arranged a collection by the Foodbank on Thursday 22nd October so please bring any contributions in by this date. We will send you a picture of our collected produce and thank you so much in advance.

Christmas

When we return from the half term break in November there are only eight weeks until Christmas! The children are busy creating their own Christmas cards which will be ready for you to purchase later in November. This is another initiative organised by our wonderful FOLs so we hope you will delay in buying all your Christmas cards so you can purchase one pack of cards created by your child to send to those special relatives and friends.

Safety

School continues to be a very safe place for children and I want to assure you that I am regularly reviewing and making adjustments to our school risk assessment. Please continue leaving the school grounds promptly when collecting your children and do not allow them to run around, play or climb the trees. If you have siblings to collect, please collect both at the same time so children are not waiting around. The front of school is such a lovely place for gathering and play but it is crucial that we keep up all our efforts so school can remain fully open and everyone stays well.

Finally

We break up for this term on Friday 23rd October and return to school on Tuesday November 3rd. Monday 2nd is a planned inset day for staff.

As usual, we are so proud of the many achievements of your children and we hope you have been enjoying the certificates and photographs coming home each week. Below are a list of the children achieving certificates over the last two weeks. Well done everyone!

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Week Ending 2nd October

Year 1 :	Mila (Kindness)	Jessica (Resilience)
	Logan D. (Creativity)	Alexander (Curiosity)
Year 2 :	George (Resilience)	Betsy (Creativity)
	Iris (Kindness)	Imogen (Resilience)
Year 3 :	Jessee (Creativity)	Merida (Curiosity)
	Amina (Kindness)	Karina (Participation)
Year 4 :	Lexie (Resilience)	Daniel (Resilience)
	Zach (Creativity)	Alfie (Kindness)
Year 5 :	Eloise (Resilience)	James (Curiosity)
	Lily (Creativity)	Setayish (Teamwork)
Year 6 :	John (Resilience)	Lily May (Kindness)
	Max (Participation)	Angelo (Resilience)

Week Ending 9th October

Year 1 :	Grace (Kindness)	Amelia (Participation)
	Brodi (Resilience)	Sunny (Participation)
Year 2 :	India (Kindness)	Shouyra (Teamwork)
	Elliot (Curiosity)	Harrison (Participation)
Year 3 :	Zak (Resilience)	Rio (Resilience)
	Lola (Creativity)	Eliza (Curiosity)
Year 4 :	Lauren (Kindness)	Sophie (Creativity)
	Reggie (Teamwork)	Callum (Resilience)
Year 5 :	Faith (Teamwork)	Aleks (Participation)
	Neve (Curiosity)	Harrison (Resilience)
Year 6 :	Luke (Curiosity)	Stivan (Resilience)
	Douglas (Participation)	Kyron (Resilience)

With my good wishes to you all.

Anne Sargent

(Head Teacher)

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