



# Leckhamptonbulletin

C of E Primary School

Week  
ending 30<sup>th</sup>  
September  
2016

Dear Parents

## **Important Information on Spelling**

Following an evaluation of our current spelling scheme, "Read Write Inc. Spelling", the senior management team have made the decision to use an alternative scheme from this term.

This decision has been based on a number of factors including staff and parent feedback.

Part of the new scheme includes an opportunity to send out homework. In order for this homework to be purposeful and effective, staff will need the opportunity to ensure that the homework links directly to the spelling lessons in class.

To this end, spelling homework will be sent home after the October half term holiday. Please be assured that spelling, punctuation and grammar lessons continue to be an integral part of each school day.

## **Guided Reading Books**

Over the past three years, Leckhampton has invested in rich texts for pupils to enjoy. Parents, children and staff speak highly of the books and the difference they have made to children's attitudes and progress in reading.

Sending reading books home to support the work in school is an important part of the guided reading process. Unfortunately some books are not always returned to school or have been returned to school damaged.

As part of managing the system of books better, staff will no longer issue a new reading book until the current book has been returned. Parents will receive a small slip (see below) as a reminder, which will hopefully result in the book being returned to school safety.

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Date:

Dear Parent

Unfortunately we are unable to issue another reading book to your child until the current book \_\_\_\_\_ is returned.

Should there be an issue with the return of the book, please contact the class teacher.

Thank you

**Best Wishes**

**Sam Porter**

We are currently experiencing some difficulty in communicating by email with btinternet accounts. Teachers2Parents have confirmed that this is not specific to our school but a nationwide problem. It would appear that this is an intermittent issue as some emails are getting through. Teachers2Parents have asked that if you have a btinternet account you seek advice from BT in settling the problem and in the meantime, if you are happy to do so, maybe open a gmail/hotmail account as a backup. Alternatively if you want to provide details of another account to the school office this can be added to your child's record. Thank you.

The error message is:-

Javax.mail.MessagingException [EOF]

Do you have a child who will be starting school in September 2017?

There will be a meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 7.30 p.m. in the school hall for any prospective parents for the September 2017 Reception intake. Please feel free to come along and indeed pass on details to anyone else who might be interested in Leckhampton Primary School. During the evening there will be an opportunity to sign up for a tour of the school with Miss Porter – various dates will be available during October and early November.

We look forward to welcoming you!

#### FoLPS AGM News

Following the FoLPS AGM on 21st September we are pleased to announce that we have a fully compliant committee in line with our PTA Constitution. So as a result we are ready to rock and roll for 2016 / 17.

The formal elected FoLPS Committee is as follows:-

**Chair:** Liz Green

**Vice Chair:** Rhoslyn Salisbury

**Secretary:** Zoe Priddle

**Treasurer:** Laura Thomson and Manisha Bhalinge (role share)

**Other Officer:** Pippa Hubbard

**Ordinary Members:** Angie Boyes, Nikki Hoper, Sarah Thompson, Caroline Agg and Jean McBane

You are welcome anytime to come to a meeting or offer your support to people you know that are FoLPS members. If you are allergic to meetings, but would still like to be in the loop with FoLPS, you can join our e-mail group to hear about things as they happen. Just let one of us know!

FoLPS Committee Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each term. **The next FoLPS committee meeting will take place on Tuesday 8th November at 7:30 pm in The Wheatsheaf Pub, Old Bath Road** we'd love to see you there.

The FoLPS Team

#### Charity Cake Sale

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 3.00 p.m. five Year 4 girls are organising a cake sale in support of Winston's Wish. We need cakes and goodies please to help us raise as much as possible. Please bring any contributions to the Parent's Room on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016.

Thank you for your support!

Friends of Leckhampton Primary School

**FoLPS**



# Sunflower Competition

**Free  
Entry**

**Monday  
10<sup>th</sup> October**



*"Prizes will be awarded for the three biggest sunflower heads."*

*"Winners will be announced in the Harvest Assembly. Good Luck"*

*"We hope your sunflowers have grown well over the Summer. Please bring your sunflower heads (clearly marked with your child's name and class) to the Parent Room on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October, in the morning, where they will be measured and entered into the competition." The FoLPS Team*

# Pate's Grammar School

NURTURING EXCELLENCE



## Open Evening

Tuesday 4th October 2016, 5.30–8.30pm

(no pre-booking required, just drop in)

Head Master's presentations will take place  
at 5.45pm & 6.45pm.

There will be student-guided tours of the school and staff will be available to answer any questions. Pupils are invited to join in with experiments and demonstrations, as well as tackle the climbing wall!  
(There will be parking on-site)

*Pate's is a free grammar school for boys and girls aged 11-18 years. Our students achieve the highest academic standards, whilst benefiting from exceptional pastoral care and first-class facilities.*

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## Ribston Hall High School

### Open Day Information:

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2016:** between 9.15am & 12.30pm – no booking required.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017:** Open day and Evening for Year 5 children anticipating entry in September 2018

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017:** Open morning for Year 5 children anticipating entry in September 2018

Ribston Hall High School is an 11-18 Girls' Grammar School with a mixed Sixth Form.

[www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk)

Stroud Road, Gloucester, GL1 5LE

*Please visit us during our Open Sessions; there will be an opportunity to see the school on a working day. Please check the school website for timings.*

Admissions Officer Mrs D Murphy –  
[dmu@ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:dmu@ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk)

## Cheltenham Bournside School and Sixth Form Centre

Headteacher  
K.S. Fooks MEd PD Dip Ed

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### Parents of Primary School Students - Years 5 and 6 Open Evening and Open Mornings

Dear Parents/Carers:

This letter is an invitation to all parents/carers of students currently in year 5 or year 6 to attend our school's Open Evening and one of our Open Mornings, with their sons/daughters.

#### Open Evening - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2016

The Open Evening will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October between 6.00pm and 8.30pm. It will provide an opportunity to meet staff, current students and see displays and activities covering all aspects of school life. There will be the opportunity to hear from the Headteacher, Alan Fooks, at 6.15pm and again at 7.30pm about life at Bournside and our hopes and aspirations for the future. Copies of our 2017 prospectus, along with other relevant information relating to admissions and primary school transition, will also be available.

#### Open Mornings - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016

In addition to the above, we are offering the opportunity for parents/carers of students currently in year 5 or year 6 to visit us during the school day as part of one of our four Open Mornings. The Open Mornings complement the Open Evening and should not be seen as a replacement. We feel it is important to provide all prospective parents/carers with the opportunity to see the school in operation during the school day. By appointment only, each Open Morning will provide an opportunity to join a tour of the school lasting for one hour. Each tour will be led by a member of the school's Senior Leadership Team and will comprise a short talk and a tour of the school, with opportunities for Q&A. To book a place on one of the Open Mornings, please call the Main School Reception (contact details below).

A further Open Evening for prospective entrants to the Sixth Form will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bournside.

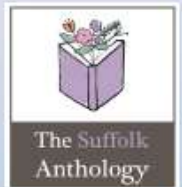
Yours sincerely

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## Love books that take you to another world? Join us for our next *Children's Book Clubs*



2-3pm: Ages 7-8 will be looking at  
**Pugs of the Frozen  
North**  
By Philip Reeve & Sarah McIntyre

3.30-4.30pm: Ages 9-11 will be  
looking at

**Dreamsnatcher**  
By Abi Elphinstone



10% discount off the books

On: Saturday 1st October 2016  
Time: 2pm and 3.30pm as above

Please contact us at the  
shop for more details  
and to book a place.  
Refreshments provided

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