



## Nunney First School

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### Dates

<b>April</b>	
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo Evening - doors open 7.30 pm. Eyes down at 7.30 pm.
<b>May</b>	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET Day 3 - School closed to pupils</b>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils</b>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	School Nurses visiting to collect height and weight measurements for Reception pupils. A form will be sent home nearer the time to explain the process, including what to do if you want your child to be omitted from this national collation of data.
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo Evening - doors open 7.30 pm. Eyes down at 7.30 pm.
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Vision screening takes place for Reception pupils
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last day of term 5</b>
<b>June</b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>First day of term 6</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	PE and sport this afternoon BUT NO SWIMMING
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Wilkes, Head of Oakfield Academy visiting to give Year 4 pupils their Oakfield 'Welcome Pack' (in school time)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	First swimming session of term 6 at Creative Aquatics. Swimming then takes place every Wednesday for the next 5 weeks.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo Evening - doors open 7.30 pm. Eyes down at 7.30 pm.
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	National School Sports Week - Mrs McCormack has arranged a number of external sports specialists to work with children across the week - details to follow.
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	SPORTS DAY - parents/carers invited to watch the sports (9.00 am - 12.00 noon) then join the children for a picnic lunch 12.00 - 1.00 pm
<b>July</b>	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	School Summer Fair 2.00 - 4.30 pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 pupils to spend the day at their allocated middle school Reception - Year 3 pupils will spend the morning in 2018-2019 classes
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Written Reports sent home today
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Final swimming session for this academic year
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Leavers' Disco - to be confirmed
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Bingo - doors open 7.30 pm. Eyes down at 7.30 pm.
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Leavers' Assembly - Year 4 parents/carers invited to attend 9.00 - 10.00 am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Last day of term 6 for pupils</b>

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>INSET Days 4 and 5 - School closed to pupils</b>
<b>September</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>INSET DAY (1 of 5) - school closed to pupils</b>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>First day of term 1 for pupils</b>

A separate sheet showing term dates and INSET days for 2018-2019 is attached to the back of this newsletter. Please keep this safe for future reference. Thank you.

### **NSPCC Fundraising - Buddy Says Thank You For Raising £37.12**

Thank you very much indeed to those who contributed to our fundraising to support the work of the NSPCC. This charity makes a significant contribution to safeguarding children and young people, and we can be assured that the money we have raised will be put to good use. Collectively, Nunney and Hayesdown Schools raised £267.40.



### **Year 4 Pupils Who Are Transferring To Oakfield**

The school office at Oakfield Academy sells uniform from 9.00 am until 4.00 pm throughout the year. Parents can spread the cost of new uniform by starting to buy now. Items on sale include:

- compulsory school sweatshirts
- burgundy and grey striped school tie
- white shirt
- school PE kit
- school fleece - optional
- burgundy fleece scarf - optional

Further details about uniform requirements can be found on the school's website or by contacting the school office at Oakfield Academy.

### **Refurbishment Of The School Hall And Library**



It was lovely to hear the oohs and aahs of surprise and pleasure from people as they came into the hall and library after the Easter holiday and saw the transformation that had occurred thanks to the hard work of Mendip Handymen, who had stripped off the vivid blue and sunshine yellow gloss paint, and redecorated the woodwork in a colour called Indian Lake, and the walls in Hoxton Grey. The new colours bring warmth and energy to the rooms and link them together.



On 4<sup>th</sup> May the three large windows in the hall and library will be cleaned inside and out, before the dry-cleaned curtains are rehung and a new blind fitted. This will complete Phase 1!

Phase 2 involves raising enough money to strip the layers of varnish off the woodblock floor so that it can be sanded back to the original woodgrain, ahead of a protective lacquer being applied to protect and restore the floor to its former glory.

The icing on the cake will be Phase 3, which will see the construction of a new library and ICT Suite in the space currently occupied by the library. Mrs Allom, our former Chair of Governors, has kindly agreed to lead this project. She is currently in the process of applying for grants and meeting with companies to discuss design options - watch this space!



Money raised through Bingo evenings, quizzes, jumble sales and the upcoming Summer Fair will pay for much of this work, and huge thanks are extended to our amazing TA and Lunchtime Supervisor team of 5: Pauline Andrews, Tina Garrod, Liza Brown, Tracy Black and Fran Jeffries who, as well as being champions of their day jobs at Nunney School, work unbelievably hard to plan and run our many fundraising and social functions. Thanks are also extended to those who generously donate prizes and step in to help.

I do hope that you will continue to support the fundraising events cited in the 'diary dates' on page 1, which allow these projects to go ahead and also pay the transport costs associated with educational visits etc.

### **Whole School Visit To 'We The Curious'**



Thank you very much indeed for returning your permission slips and voluntary contributions so promptly, thereby enabling the visit to 'We The Curious' to go ahead. Staff and governors who accompanied the children were immensely proud of them, commenting on their complete engagement and impeccable behaviour. Particular thanks are extended to Mrs Baxter who coordinated the visit. I hope your child/ren had lots of exciting memories to share with you - they certainly had an amazing time.



### **Would You Like To Become A Parent Governor?**

Thinking of being  
**a governor?**  
We currently have a vacancy.

A vacancy for a Parent Governor has arisen at Nunney First School. Our Governing Body plays an active role in making sure that all children receive the best possible start to their schooling. Governors work in partnership with the Headteacher to plan the school's future direction. They also make recommendations to the

Trust Board on important matters such as the school's budget and staffing. Governors are not involved in the day-to-day running of the school - this is the job of the Headteacher. They bring an important outside perspective, and serve to provide a healthy mix of support and challenge.

The Governing Body meets six times a year. Each governor also has other responsibilities, which involve coming into school during the teaching day, at least twice a year, to carry out monitoring visits. Governing Body meetings take place in the evenings (6.30 pm) and generally

last two hours. Training is available to help governors fulfil their responsibilities. Further information about this role is contained in a job description available from the school office.

The initial skills and qualities needed by Governors as per recent Government guidance on appointing and electing governors are as follows:

*'All governors need a strong commitment to their role and to improving outcomes for children; the inquisitiveness to question and analyse; and the willingness to learn. They need good interpersonal skills, appropriate levels of literacy in English and sufficient numeracy skills to understand basic data.'*

Subject to eligibility (please see notes on attached sheet), all parents of pupils in the school have a right to put themselves forward to become a Parent Governor. If you feel you can help in this capacity, please complete the attached nomination form and **return it to the school office by 3.00 pm on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May.**

Please note that parents who work at the school for 500 hours or more in an academic year are not eligible to be parent governors. However, they are entitled to stand as staff governors when such a vacancy occurs.

If more than one nomination is received, an election will take place. In this case, voting forms together with candidates' personal statements will be sent out on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May. All completed voting forms must be placed in the ballot box at the school office by 3.00 pm on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

**GET INVOLVED!**

Members of the Governing Body will be pleased to answer any questions you may have. Please speak to Mrs Furlong in the office if you are interested and would like to be put in touch with one of our governors for a discussion about the role.



**And finally . . . if you believe the role of parent governor may interest you, please be proactive and come forward! The role provides deeper insight into the workings of the school and can be extremely rewarding. We look forward to hearing from you.**

Geoff Andrews  
Chair of Governors / Returning Officer



Nunney First School  
PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION



Nomination Form to be returned by 3.00 p.m. on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May

**Personal details** (please print)

Title \_\_\_\_\_ Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Are you paid to work at the school?      YES    NO    (please circle as appropriate)

If Yes how many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) of Child (ren) at school

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Please note that should an election be necessary, the next two sections will make up the election statement

Why you would like to be a parent governor (maximum of fifty words)

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Please give details of any experience (including voluntary or community work), skills, abilities and interests you have which you feel would help you in the role of a school governor

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## **These notes should be read before filling in the nomination form**

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold office as a governor or associate member if he or she:

- is detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 during their period of office ;
- fails to attend the governing body meetings - without the consent of the governing body - for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting missed (not applicable to ex-officio governors);
- is subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim order;
- has had their estate sequestrated and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
- is subject to:
  - a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Act 1986
  - a disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
  - a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002
  - an order made under section 492(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order);
- has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under Section 34 of the Charities and Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from participating in the management or control of any body;
- is included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- is disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- is disqualified from registration for childminding or providing day care;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006;
- has received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
- has received a prison sentence of 2.5 years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
- has at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- has been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
- refuses to allow an application to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a criminal records disclosure.

If any of the above reasons applies to you, you are disqualified from being a school governor.

**Please be aware that following election, new governors need to make an application for an Enhanced Disclosure Certificate from the Disclosure and Barring Service. As governors work in a voluntary capacity, there is no charge for this.**

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## Terms and Holidays 2018 – 2019

(Including Nunney First School INSET Days)



SEPTEMBER 2018							OCTOBER 2018							NOVEMBER 2018						
S		2	9	16	23	30	S		7	14	21	28		S		4	11	18	25	S
M		3	10	17	24		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		5	12	19	26	M
T		4	11	18	25		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		6	13	20	27	T
W		5	12	19	26		W	3	10	17	24	31		W		7	14	21	28	W
T		6	13	20	27		T	4	11	18	25			T	1	8	15	22	29	T
F		7	14	21	28		F	5	12	19	26			F	2	9	16	23	30	F
S	1	8	15	22	29		S	6	13	20	27			S	3	10	17	24		S
DECEMBER 2018							JANUARY 2019							FEBRUARY 2019						
S		2	9	16	23	30	S		6	13	20	27		S		3	10	17	24	S
M		3	10	17	24	31	M		7	14	21	28		M		4	11	18	25	M
T		4	11	18	25		T	1	8	15	22	29		T		5	12	19	26	T
W		5	12	19	26		W	2	9	16	23	30		W		6	13	20	27	W
T		6	13	20	27		T	3	10	17	24	31		T		7	14	21	28	T
F		7	14	21	28		F	4	11	18	25			F	1	8	15	22		F
S	1	8	15	22	29		S	5	12	19	26			S	2	9	16	23		S
MARCH 2019							APRIL 2019							MAY 2019						
S		3	10	17	24	31	S		7	14	21	28		S		5	12	19	26	S
M		4	11	18	25		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		6	13	20	27	M
T		5	12	19	26		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		7	14	21	28	T
W		6	13	20	27		W	3	10	17	24			W	1	8	15	22	29	W
T		7	14	21	28		T	4	11	18	25			T	2	9	16	23	30	T
F	1	8	15	22	29		F	5	12	19	26			F	3	10	17	24	31	F
S	2	9	16	23	30		S	6	13	20	27			S	4	11	18	25		S
JUNE 2019							JULY 2019							AUGUST 2019						
S		2	9	16	23	30	S		7	14	21	28		S		4	11	18	25	S
M		3	10	17	24		M	1	8	15	22	29		M		5	12	19	26	M
T		4	11	18	25		T	2	9	16	23	30		T		6	13	20	27	T
W		5	12	19	26		W	3	10	17	24	31		W		7	14	21	28	W
T		6	13	20	27		T	4	11	18	25			T	1	8	15	22	29	T
F		7	14	21	28		F	5	12	19	26			F	2	9	16	23	30	F
S	1	8	15	22	29		S	6	13	20	27			S	3	10	17	24	31	S

<b>Key</b>	Anticipated start for 2019/2020 is <b>Tuesday 3rd September 2019</b>	
		School Holiday
		Bank Holiday – school closed to pupils
		INSET Day – school closed to pupils
	Term Time	