



Banwell Primary School Newsletter

Belong Believe Achieve

Term 2 2023



A message from Mrs Pocock

Dear families,

It is all systems go in school now as we head towards the festive season. The children are enjoying getting ready to perform to you all in the coming weeks and are very busy practising! Please check the important Christmas dates at the end of the newsletter to see what is happening and when.

I would like to thank everyone who came along to parents' evenings last week. It is always so nice to come together as a community and hear how well the children are getting on. Florence, Kitty, Reuben and Skye from Y6 did a fantastic job helping everyone to keep to time. We raised an incredible £82.78 in rewards at the book fair so we are very thankful for your generosity.

Finally, it has been great to see so many of our children taking part in sporting events outside of school recently. Mr Farmer is working hard to ensure we are able to take up as many opportunities as possible. Y2 had a great day at the football yesterday.

As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions.

Best wishes,

Claire

Save the date!

Term 1&2

7th December Save the children Christmas Jumper Day

7th December PTA Christmas Crafts

8th December Carol Service

12th December 2pm Rec & KS1 Nativity to Parents

13th December 9.30am Rec & KS1 Nativity to Parents

14th December 8:45 am Y6 Lifeskills

15th December 9.15am Outstanding Certificates Assembly

18th December Christmas Parties

19th December Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

TERM 3 & 4

12th March 4pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening

13th March 3.30pm - 5.30pm Parents Evening

28th March 9:15am Outstanding Certificate Assembly

TERM 5 & 6

13th – 16th May KS2 SATs week

20th – 22nd May Y6 Camp

Colder Weather

As the weather begins to turn colder it is vital that all children bring a coat to school every day, as well as hats, gloves...etc when needed. The children go outside for playtime even if there is a little bit of light rain. This is because it is important for them to get fresh air and exercise.



Children In Need

We enjoyed having fun on Children in Need day last Friday. We saw lots of spotty outfits and if you would like to make a donation it's not too late.

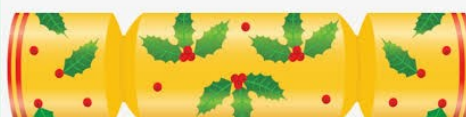
Donations can be made on ParentPay until 30th November, please click [here](#).



Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 19th December

School Christmas Dinner will be on Tuesday 19th December. We will also be wearing Christmas jumpers on this day.

If your child would like a Christmas dinner it must be booked on ParentPay by the end of Friday 24 November. Please note Parentpay will not show that it is Christmas dinner on the 19th December but please order the meat or vegetarian option. The menu is attached. We will be informing Aspens (our catering company) on the number of meals required on Friday. Thank you.





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Friends of Banwell Association

Christmas Craft Event

The PTA would like to invite all children to a Christmas Craft event on Thursday 7th December (**see attached poster for details**).

To book please pay direct to our account:
Friends of Banwell Primary School
Lloyds TSB
Account number 00473196
Sort Code 30-91-84

Tickets £4

Please reference your child's name and year group alongside the payment.
All tickets must be bought beforehand and the **deadline is midnight on Monday 4th December**.
No late payments for tickets will be accepted due to needing enough time to get supplies and food.

Please email friendsofbanwell@gmail.com to detail any allergies or dietary requirements, don't forget to add your child's name.

Activities will include Wreath making for KS2 and biscuit decorating for KS1



Save the date!

7th June 9.15am
Sports Day

3rd July Class / Y6
Leavers photos

10th July Y6 Production
to school & parents

11th July Y6 Production
to parents

19th July 9.15am
Outstanding
Certificates Assembly

23rd July 9.15am
Leavers Assembly

School Funds

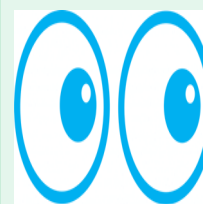
With Christmas shopping on many peoples minds please could we ask you to consider signing up with My School Funds.

1% of eligible spend goes to the school and 2% goes back to the individual. It's a win-win!

More information can be found [here](#) and at the end of the newsletter.

We will be taking part in the National Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day on 7th December. If your children would like to wear their Christmas jumpers on this day, please click [here](#) to donate via our JustGiving page.

There is no set amount to give anything you can spare is appreciated.



Don't forget to check out your child's class page on our

website where you will find lots of useful information.

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Breakfast and After-school Club

If you need care for your children before or after school please remember our breakfast and after-school clubs.

There is lots of information available on our [school website](#) or you can call into the office and pick up a leaflet.

Mrs Bradbury takes care of the children in breakfast club where the children have breakfast and enjoy lots of different activities.

Mrs Davies takes care of our Stay and Play and Playpals sessions in the afternoon/evening. Here she is showcasing the wonderful Christmas sprouts the children made for the Christmas tree at St Andrew's Church. We think they are marvellous and we are sure you'll agree! The children had great fun making them.

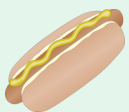


MENU CHANGE

Week 2

Wednesday

Minced
Beef Onion
Pie is now
Roast
Chicken



Week 3

Monday

Veggie Shepherd's Pie is
now Veggie Hot Dog

Lost Property

Any lost property found in the school is placed in the corridor at the far end of the main building.

We have a number of coats, lots of jumpers and lunch boxes that have lost their owners.

Please pop in at drop off time and claim any items your child has lost.



A big thank you to the parents that have helped out with field trips recently and in the past. Your help is invaluable.



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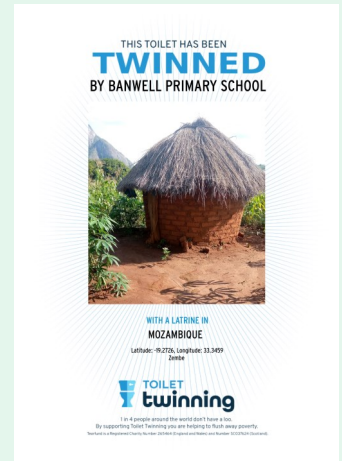
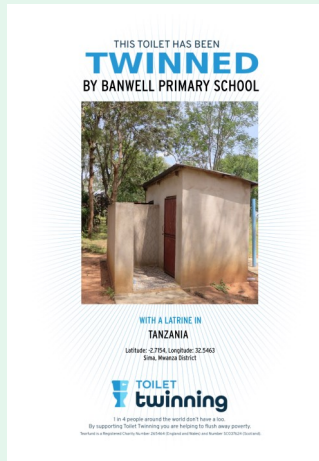
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Thank You

At the end of the summer term, we held a non-school uniform day to raise money for the charity Toilet twinning. As a school, we raised £127.07 which enabled us to twin two of our toilets and help the charity to provide clean, safe toilets, sanitation and hygiene solutions for communities living in poverty around the world. Thank you for your generosity.



KS2 Music Tuition



Once a week we have music teachers come into school to give music tuition. We currently have children in KS2 learning the guitar, ukulele, piano and singing lessons. If you are interested in signing your child up for some tuition please contact the school office for more information.

West of England Music & Arts



Children's Flu vaccination (nasal and injection) catch-up clinics are available for all students who did not receive their vaccinations at school.

Please book an appointment at <https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/book>

If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net

Don't forget to download the eSchools parent app. The app will notify you when you have an email from school and when parents evening booking is open.

For instructions on how to download the app please click [here](#) or go to www.eschools.co.uk and search for parent app.

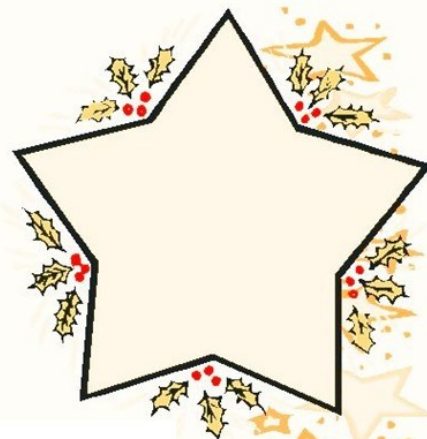


Contact us:

Email: office@banwell.extendlearning.org

Tel: 01934 822 498





Important Christmas dates:

7th December - Save The Children
Christmas Jumper Day

8th December - Carol Service at
St. Andrews Church

12th December - Rec & KS1 Nativity to
parents (pm)

13th December - Rec & KS1 Nativity to
parents (am)

18th December - Christmas parties

19th December - Christmas lunch &
jumper day



FRIENDS OF BANWELL PRIMARY
SCHOOL PTA



CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENT

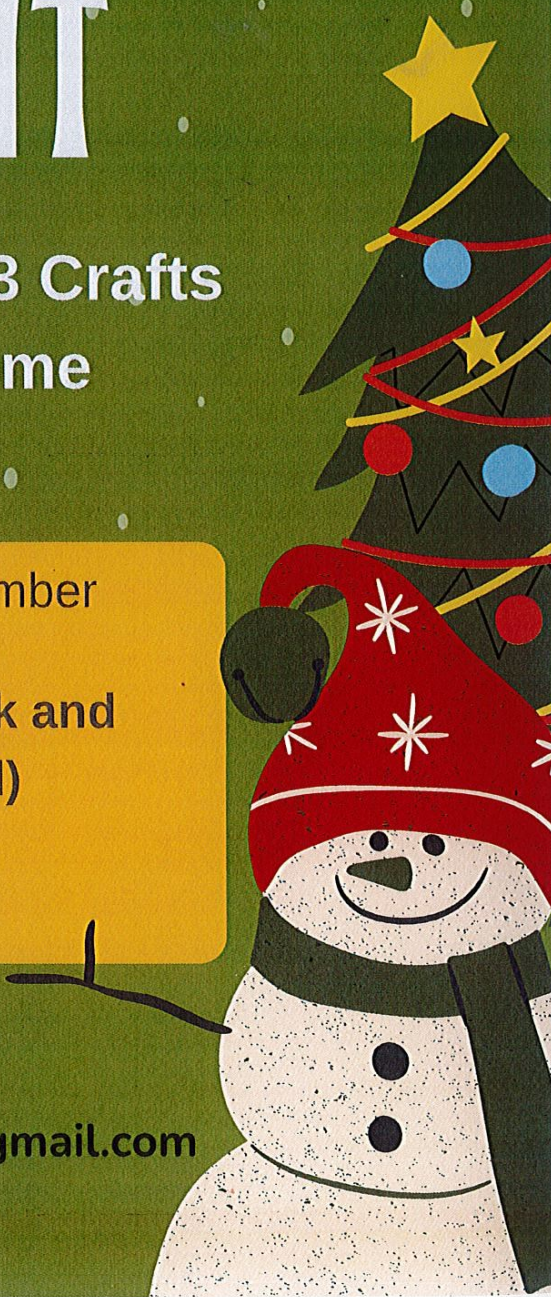
Includes up to 3 Crafts
to bring home

Thursday 7th December

3.30pm - 5pm (drink and
snack included)

TICKETS £4

friendsofbanwell@gmail.com





Performing Arts Schools

Weston-super-Mare

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We're writing to let you know about a brand new Stagecoach school opening in your area! Following the popularity of our Saturday morning classes, which opened in 2021, we are pleased to be now offering classes on **Fridays after school**.



What is Stagecoach?

Stagecoach is a Performing Arts school where children and young people learn to **Sing, Dance and Act**, but more importantly, gain confidence, make new friends and develop life skills. Stagecoach classes are not only fun and engaging, but they also build core skills such as discipline, perseverance, resilience, adaptability and creativity. We call this **Creative Courage for Life**.

Inclusive, safe and small classes

Our classes are limited to 18 students per group, so that teachers can give attention and support to each child. No experience is required and we welcome everyone.

Our team go through the highest level of DBS check and take part in regular Safeguarding training. We also have our own dedicated Safeguarding officer, so you can rest assured that your child is in safe hands.



When and where? Classes run at Winterstoke Hundred Academy (near Haywood Village) on Saturday mornings during term-time, and on Fridays after school from January 2024 onwards.

FREE DISCOVERY DAY

To celebrate the launch of our new school, we are holding a FREE Discovery Day, where students can take part in taster sessions of our Dance, Singing and Acting classes. Parents/Guardians will have the chance to meet the Principal and teaching team. There will be a short presentation and refreshments will be provided.

This will be on **Friday, January 5th 2024** from **5 - 7pm** at Winterstoke Hundred Academy. Spaces are limited - book as soon as possible to secure your place.



Simply scan the QR code to the right, or visit <https://forms.gle/Gg1Y6oTDyhJc5rf57> to book on.

What our families have to say...

" My daughter has gained so much confidence at Stagecoach. The teachers and team are so friendly and encouraging! "

" ★★★★★
It's his favourite 3 hours of every week. If I could give 10 stars, I definitely would! "

To find out more, visit us online at:
www.stagecoach.co.uk/weston

Call us on
01275 845326

Or send us an e-mail:
westonsupermare@stagecoach.co.uk

Join ParkPlay in Weston-super-Mare

Make friends, have fun, get moving -
FREE every Saturday morning.



**At Ellenborough Park
West, Castle Batch and
Coniston Green**

Everyone is welcome, just register
everyone once, before coming at
park-play.com/register



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**CHURCHILL BABY
& TODDLER GROUP**

6, 13, 20 & 27

November

Churchill Methodist
9.00-11.30am



Try us for FREE!



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♥ Bright hall, lots of toys



♥ Yummy snacks; cuppa & chat

INFO: Jacqueline
01934 844134



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Introducing **My School Fund**,
an exciting new initiative
that combines the spending
power of parents, guardians
and carers in order to **boost
school budgets.**

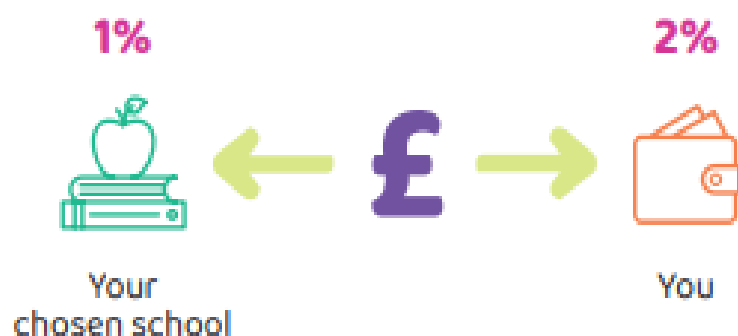
myschoolfund.org

How does it work?

My School Fund links your spend to your chosen school, meaning every time you make a purchase at participating retailers you both benefit through an innovative cashback scheme.

What's in it for me and my child's school?

Both you and your child's school will receive eGift Cards to spend in participating retailers based on a percentage of your overall spend.



Add that all up across the school's network of families and together we can all make a big difference!

**Visit myschoolfund.org
and register for free today!**

Getting started



Step 1

Visit myschoolfund.org to sign up for free and link to your child's school



Step 2

Register your credit/debit card to your account



Step 3

Spend at participating retailers



Step 4

Start receiving your eGift Cards!



Roast Chicken & Stuffing with Sticky
Chipolata

Roast Potatoes

Peas & Carrots

Gravy

or

Roasted Vegetable & Cheese Puff Pastry

Roast Potatoes

Carrots & Peas

Gravy

and

Christmas Pudding Rice Krispie Ball

or

White Chocolate Snowball Cookie

**FOOD
FESTIVAL**

By Aspens