

# NEWSLETTER TERM 2



## Dates for your diary

### TERM 3

10th February - Y4 Bikeability

11th February Parents Evening  
4pm-6.30pm

12th February Parents Evening  
3.30pm-5.30pm

### TERM 4

4th April - Outstanding  
Certificates Assembly 9.15am

### TERM 5

12-15th May - Y6 SATs week

21st-23rd May - Y6 Camp

### TERM 6

6th June - Sports Day 9.15am

1st July - Class Photos

9th July - Y6 Production to  
school & parents 1.30pm

10th July - Y6 Production to  
parents 6pm

17th July - Outstanding  
Certificates Assembly 9.15am

18th July - Leavers Assembly  
9.15am

Dear Families,

As we come to the end of terms 1 and 2 in school, may I take this opportunity to wish everyone a very merry Christmas. The children have worked extremely hard over recent months and we are very proud of their positive attitude to learning.

When we return, we will be welcoming Mrs Olga Shilova to our staff team. She will be employed as a learning support assistant and we are looking forward to her joining us.

We have received a lovely message from Jonathan, our local crossing patrol volunteer. He wanted to thank all of the children for being so sensible crossing the road and also wanted to say thank you for the cards and gifts he has received.

The children will be coming home with a little bag of sweets today. These are kindly donated to all ELAN school children by Uncle Paul's Chilli Charity.

Thank you!

Finally, may I finish by thanking everyone for their ongoing support at Banwell. We always receive such positive feedback from any visitors to the school and that is down to the children we have. Take time to enjoy some family time together and we will look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 6th January.

Best wishes,  
Claire



## Congratulations and well done to all our children who received certificates this week





## Donation From Knightcott IT

“Knightcott IT Services are a small local IT support company. We’ve been based in Banwell for about 10 years and help small and medium businesses with computer support, Microsoft 365, security, networks, website hosting and emails. The donation to Banwell Primary School was sort of accidental, we had an unsolicited call asking us for a donation to a charity which would then forward the donation to a local school and asking us to nominate a primary school. Our experience with fake emails and calls meant that we weren’t going to fall for any tricks so we contacted the school direct and rather than contribute via a third party, we made a small contribution direct to the school. As a company we do like to help young people to develop and have supported four trainees from Weston College over the last few years. In this case, it just meant that we were helping a much younger generation! If you’re worried about email scams, or need IT support, please give us a call on 01934 265480”



## School Safety

**Here at Banwell Primary School we take the safety of our school community seriously we would just like to remind all parents.**

When the school gates are closed please buzz and wait for the school office to allow entry. Please do not allow others to follow you in even if they are known to you or give a reasonable reason for wanting to gain access. We will get the buzzer as soon as we can, if we do not answer immediately it is because we are busy with another child, visitor or parent. The secure gate is a very important part of keeping our school community safe and secure throughout the day.

The school gates are open from 08:40am and close at 08:50am, if you are running late and miss the gate please ensure that your child is signed in at the school office. It is important that no one is missed from the register particularly in the event of an emergency.

Please do not drive onto the school grounds at any time.

The school drive is used throughout the day by pedestrians.



If your child is too ill to attend school please use our absence line or let the school office know in person or by email. If your child has been sick please remember to keep them home for 48 hours after the last time they were sick



If you wish to use our after school club please book on line up to 24 hours in advance. We know that there may be the odd occasion that you forget to book or need an emergency booking, in this case please telephone the office (01934 822498) or email us on: [office@banwell.extendlearning.org](mailto:office@banwell.extendlearning.org) before 1 pm so that we are able to make sure there is space for your child .



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**FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE YOU MAY ALSO QUALIFY FOR FREE HOLIDAY CLUB PROVISION & HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT VOUCHERS VOUCHERS




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SCHOOL EDITION

**15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025**

**Churchill Academy & Sixth Form**  
**Doors 6.30pm Show 7.00pm**

Music and Lyrics by QUEEN  
Story and Script by BEN ELTON

"WE WILL ROCK YOU School Edition" is presented through special arrangement with and all authorised performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW).  
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## 2023-24 School Games Mark Awards

Congratulations to the 37 North Somerset Schools that successfully applied for a School Games Mark Award which recognises their engagement in the School Games for the 2023-24 academic year.

Platinum*	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Castle Batch	Mary Elton	Trinity	
Worle Village	Oldmixon	Mendip Green	
Backwell Junior	Grove	Portishead	
Crockerne	High Down	Heron's Moor	
Baytree	Ashcombe	Golden Valley	
Milton Park	Priory Community	Uphill	
Locking	Banwell	St Peters	
St Marks	Walliscote	Haywood Village	
Kingshill	All Saints	St Josephs	
St Francis	Bournville	Sandford	
St Nicholas Chantry	Wrington	Ravenswood	
St Katherines	Mead Vale	St Annes	
Burrington	2023-4 saw a record level of gold (27) and platinum (7) awards achieved or maintained.		

*\*a platinum award can be accessed when a school maintains the gold award for 5 years. Once achieved the award is held for 2 years.*