



Weekly Roundup 19th July 2024

What a great week we have had!



This weeks certificates were awarded to:

Ladybird class— Ralph, Olya, Elise, Jax

Dragonfly class— Jamie, Bryn, Isla, Andrew

Butterfly class— Harrison, Patti, Charlie, Elsie

Firefly class— Kyanna, Zeenat, Ben, Elora

Cricket class— Sienna, Maddie, Lola, Skye



Leavers Assembly

Please remember our leaver's assembly on Tuesday 23 July at 9:15am where we will celebrate the Banwell School journey of our current Year 6.

As always we will be incredibly sad to say goodbye to our Year 6 children but wish them all the very best for their next step. We know they will all make great students in their new schools.

Bread Making with Butterfly Class

Our Butterfly class have been enjoying making bread. Next week Butterfly and Firefly class are having a final bakeoff, please check your emails for details.



MENU CHANGE

Last day of term—Tuesday 23rd July

School meal will be Fish & Chips or Veggie Finger & Chips

!ATTENTION!

Please remember to check your emails regularly for correspondence from school. You should also check your junk/spam folders. We try to keep emails to a minimum but we don't want you to miss anything important.

Bikeability for Y5



Y5—Please return your Bikeability forms to the school office.

Stay and Play

This week we were joined by the children and families joining us in September 2024. We are very excited for them to start in the Autumn. We still have spaces in our Reception class if you know anyone who is looking for a school in the area please ask them to get in touch.

School Trip

Our Butterfly and Firefly class enjoyed a day out in Bristol this week visiting Bristol Synagogue as part of their humanities learning. Luckily the weather was fantastic as were the children.

A huge thank you as always to our parent volunteers.

Dates to remember:

22nd July 5pm to 7pm —Y6 Leavers Party

23rd July—Leavers Assembly

Have a lovely summer break!

Back to School—Wednesday 4th September

More photos from our fabulous week at school can be found on our [Facebook](#) page. We never share children's full names in our posts. Please can we ask that you do the same if commenting on a post. This is to keep our children safe. Many thanks.

Free School Meals



All reception –Year 2 age pupils are entitled to universal infant free school meals. But you may also be entitled to income related free school meals. Which you would receive When your child gets to Year 3 you will need to pay for their school meals, £2.55 per day unless you qualify for free school meals.

Are you entitled?

Qualifying benefits for free school meals

Your child will be entitled to free school meals if you get any of these benefits:

- income support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on, paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit with annual take home pay/net earnings below £7,400 (which equals £616.67 per month) benefits not included

In order to find out, please register the North Somerset citizens portal. This is a simple and easy application process. https://ems.n-somerset.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/en

If you are eligible for free school meals you can also qualify for:

- Free holiday club provision - HAF
- Household support fund vouchers – The last voucher released was £60 per child, per family eligible for free school meals.

The school also receives funding for every child in receipt of free school meals which goes towards providing subsidies for school trips, quality curriculum provision and interventions staffing as well as much more.

If you are unsure sure if you are eligible or need help making an application, please contact our office team who will be happy to help you.

Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the below changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines that are accrued after 19th August 2024.

Education Penalty Notices are issued to the parents of statutory school age children.

Per parent, per child

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent from school without prior approval by the school.

For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

5 days of term time leave

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more days which have not been authorised by the school.

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

<p>First Offence</p>	<p>The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days. Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.</p>
<p>Second Offence (within 3 years)</p>	<p>The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.</p>
<p>Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)</p>	<p>The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.</p> <p>Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.</p>



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Banwell Buddies

PRE-SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

✔ Join us on Wednesday 24th July

✔ 10:30 - 12pm

Small, friendly village pre-school
accepting children between 2-5 from
September 2024!

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