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**Newsletter No.25**

Dear Parents/Carers Friday 24th March 2017

**Mother’s Day**

Thank you Penguin Class for your wonderful Mother’s Day Assembly. The children were amazing, speaking so clearly about their feelings and thoughts at this special time of year. It was enjoyed by all.

**Comic Relief**

Thank you for supporting Comic Relief. The children really love dressing up but were also able to understand that others desperately need our help. I will let you know how much has been raised next week.

**Year 3 visit to Bristol Museum**

Year 3 went off on the bus today to visit Bristol Museum and this is the first time we have used public transport. It does work out cheaper so let’s hope for positive feedback from staff and pupils.

**Clubs**

Next week is the last week this term for most school run clubs; however singing and Year 6 revision will continue into the last week of term.

**Onsey Wednesday**

Next week is Autism Awareness week and on Wednesday we are asking children to wear pyjamas or a onsey to school as part of the national event. **We are not collecting for charity on this day but will collect during Arts Week for both Autism and Downs Syndrome.**

**Netball/Rugby**

* A fantastic end to the netball season. Our A Team made it through to the finals which are next Tuesday. They convincingly won all three of their matches last Tuesday and the B Team won one match and narrowly lost two. This tournament was a great experience and I am very proud of our netball teams.
* Next Friday morning the Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 tag rugby teams play in a tournament. We wish them well.

**Sing Up Day**

We had a very musical day on Wednesday as part of national Sing Up Day. We all sang together first thing in the morning and then Miss Green gave every class a singing workshop. Many thanks to Miss Green for all her support with singing throughout the school; it is at a very high standard.

**Book Fair**

Our school book fair arrives next Thursday in the hall. Please take the time to come and visit as the school gains 25% commission in the form of books for our classroom libraries.

**Year 5 Aspiration Day with the University of the West of England**

Year 5 had a very interesting afternoon with UWE students on Tuesday. They were introduced to the wide variety of options available at university and also the amazing job opportunities to suit all skills and interests.

**Chickens**

Thank you to everyone who has helped with the chickens. They are enjoying the longer days and laying well. We do need help over the Easter holidays so if you have any free days please sign up in the office. Thank you.

**Tillie’s Drama Group**

Tillie's Drama Group has asked if I could send you this information as their numbers are very low and they may not be able to continue, which would be a great shame.

Ashton Vale Community Centre

Every Wednesday (Term Time)

5.30-6.30pm

First session is free

They are about to start working on their new show, Peter Pan.

For more info tel: 07943 529980

**PTA Disco – Thursday 6 April, 5.30-7pm**

The PTA will be holding a school disco on Thursday 6th April.  Tickets cost £3 per child and this includes refreshments so children do not need to bring any money with them on the night. We don’t have a theme for this disco, but children are very welcome to come in fancy dress if they wish.  Please make your payment(s) and give your permission online using the ‘School Gateway’, no later than Tuesday 4th April.  Please enter ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ in the comments box as to whether you are able or unable to help on the night.

**Parent Governor**

One of our parent governor’s term of office is coming to an end in May, so with this newsletter you should receive more information and a nomination form. If you are interested in becoming a parent governor or know of anyone who is please note that all nominations have to be in by Friday 7th April.

**Family Assembly**

Next Friday will be the last Family assemblies of this term. In the infant assembly we will celebrate all birthdays up to the 7th April and we will catch up on the birthdays in the holidays in the first week back after Easter.

**Attendance**

This week’s figures are:

Penguin 95.7% ***Robin 96.7% Flamingo 97.7%*** Crow 91.4%

***Falcon 96.9% Kingfisher 97.7% Blue Jay 96.6%***

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher