



**Congratulations to the following children who have impressed me with their wonderful work and attitudes since the last newsletter:**

- Ashton B in Y5 for persevering and challenging himself in maths and making great progress
- Everly in Y1 for fantastic independent learning
- Jake in Y5 for brilliant Shakespeare work including great use of adverbials
- Gracie W, Harry and Lily in Y5 for brilliant



equivalent fractions

- Ava and Corey in Y2 for excellent Banksey writing in their topic books
- Zack H in Y3 for fantastic descriptive writing (now framed and displayed in my office! Owen in Y1 for fantastic writing
- Freya in Y2 for amazing writing in the voice of a book character
- Yasmin in Y4 for a brilliant Iron Man model she made for her learning log homework
- All of the children in both Y5 classes who created such fabulously creative learning log homework on the Royal Family. It was a pleasure to see and hear their posters, books, songs, raps, poems and 3D models.



## Prizes Money Can't Buy

Our governors have been working hard and using their best contacts to line up some very special prizes for children in KS2 who show great growth mindset or 'purple learning'. Thank you to Neil Todman, our vice chair of governors, who came to Praise Assemblies this morning to explain about the first two fabulous prizes they have managed to secure - a behind the scenes tour of Bristol Museum and a recording session at Heart Radio with the breakfast crew. They are also trying to organise a session with BBC wildlife to make a documentary of Cookie, our school rabbit. Each KS2 class has a jar to collect the names of anyone the teacher spots showing growth mindset - challenging themselves, choosing the right challenge, being willing to have a go and learn from mistakes, persevering, believing they can succeed and aiming high.



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more music variety



## Parents' Coffee

The next coffee mornings / afternoons are as follows:

Date	Time	Led by	Topic
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2:45	Mrs Robinson	Growth Mindset
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8:50	Mr Laken	Learning support - how LSAs help children in school
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2:45	Ms Fredrickson	General Communication between home and school
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March	2:45	Miss Grant	Rainbow Maths and Times Tables Challenges



## Science Competition

Well done to competition winners Connie B, Zac D, Libby S, Lucie Mc (Y6) and Harry P (Y5) for their excellent science experiments and presentations. Check out Zac's video

on youtube - ZacAttack1234. These brilliant scientists will be attending a special science day at Redmaids School on Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Feb.



## Royal Welsh College of Music Visit and Concert



Bristol Cathedral Choir School, as part of their music specialism programme, have organised a trip to The Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama on Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. Children will have an opportunity to tour the college and attend a concert at St David's Hall Cardiff. The concert entitled 'Orchestra adventure' is designed to capture the imaginations of children and teachers through the power of a live symphony orchestra. The Cathedral School Trust have offered us the opportunity to join them with other primary schools locally

and the trip will be provided free of charge. Ten children from Years 4 and 5 will be invited to apply to take part. Mr Court will be going with them and he will explain to the children next week how to apply - anyone who enjoys music and who may be interested in learning

## Learning to Lead

Well done to all the children who have started to take on leadership roles this term. We have children involved in a number of different action groups including fundraising group, catering and lunchtime consultation, healthy school group, playground leaders, maths buddies and house captains. We also have a new pupil action group which has started to design a pupil survey to identify the areas they will work on for the rest of the year.

## ParentPay

Our new ParentPay system will be live from 20 February 2017, the start of next term. This will allow you to book and pay for school dinners online and also make other payments/contributions relevant for your child. In the next few days you will receive a welcome letter with a code to activate your account. Where you already use ParentPay for a child at Bedminster Down or Chew Valley Secondary you will now be able to have just one account to make making payments far simpler.

If you are unable to pay online the welcome letter will explain how you can request a PayPoint card which will allow you to make cash payments in a number of local convenience stores. If you need this option please contact the school office who will order a card for you. We have had great feedback from parents already using ParentPay saying how easy the system is to use and how useful it is to have an easy to access record of payments. However, during the introduction do not hesitate to contact the office if you need any help in using your account.

ParentPay will allow Headley Park to become a cashless office which is much more secure and means payments can be actioned more quickly.

## Rainbow Maths

The next round of badges will be awarded in an assembly on 26<sup>th</sup> January. Children from Year 1-6 will be on a different colour, and will have to learn different maths facts e.g. times tables or number bonds in order to get their next badge. Any help you can give them at home to help them learn and practise their facts would be greatly appreciated. A summary of tasks for each challenge (and examples of challenges for bronze/silver/gold) are available via our school website (there is a temporary link on the home page and it is located in the curriculum page under maths)



## Key Dates Terms 3 and 4

Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Parents' coffee @ 2:45pm
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Rainbow Maths Assemblies
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Lunchtime Consultation Group visiting Ashton Gate to sample menus
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Boys' Football league @ Merchants
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Writers' Tea Party
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Boys' football match vs St Bons (homs)
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan:	Sportshall Athletics County Finals @UWE
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb:	Y5 lego robotics workshop
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb:	No football training
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Y2 trip to Bristol Rugby vs Exeter @ Ashton Gate
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Y2D Parents' Eve
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Royal Welsh College Visit and Concert
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Maths Champions and writers' tea party
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Parents' Coffee @ 08:50
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	INSET day - school closed

End of Term 3

Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Launch of ParentPay
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb:	Y2 SS Great Britain Trip
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb:	Y5/6 football vs Sea Mills (away)
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Parents' Coffee - communication
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb:	Science Day @ Redmaids School (competition winners)
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> March:	Y2 BDS dance festival @BDS
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> March:	World Book Day
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> March:	Football league @ Merchants
13 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> March:	Parents' Evenings
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> March:	Y5/6 Hockey Tournament @ Merchants
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> March:	Parents' Coffee (Rainbow Maths)