



St George's School Bourton

A Church of England School

*work together, play together
learn together ... shine!*

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Thank you to everyone who made Sports Day such a joyful event on Monday. Thanks to Mr Cowell and his team for preparing our grounds so nicely. Congratulations to all the children in Sandways House, they have finally ended the long run of victories by Chaffeymoor in this event, come on Queen Oak, your turn next!

A reminder that it is 'Dress Up as a Bug' day on Thursday, and our Bug hunting expedition to Penselwood on Friday. All children and adults will need long trousers for that day, and a packed lunch/drink in a backpack or bag that can be carried (we will transport the Rainbow Base bags up to Penselwood but all other children will carry theirs). As we are bug hunting, please send children with any equipment they would like to bring such as a small container or magnifying glass. Please return the consent form for the visit if you haven't already.

Thank you very much for the kind donations we have received towards our new Library. All donations will be acknowledged in the final Library design. This weekend marks the biggest fundraising effort for this project, with Catering Days at Stourhead on Saturday and Sunday. Thanks to everyone who has organised these days and signed up to help or provide cakes. Please try to go along to use the café if you can and help us reach our fundraising target.

Also on Sunday, there is a beautiful Pet Service being held at Home Farm, Stourton BA12 6GS at 5pm. We have been asked to provide children and pets for the service, there is a prayer for some children to read. Please let us know via the school office if you are planning to come.

Car parking

Please could all parents avoid using the car park unless they have a specific medical need, it is important that there is space for staff to park for the day.

Some dates coming up in July...

Move Up Day – Wednesday 5th July

Most of our Year 6 children will be going up to Gillingham School for the day. All other year groups will work in their new classes for the morning, then go back to normal for the afternoon. Our new children will be joining us from 8.45-10.45am that morning.

Putting up the Marquee – Sunday morning, 9th July

The date for the arrival of our marquee has changed from Wednesday 12th to Sunday 9th July. We get a really good rate for the marquee by supplying some of the labour to put it up and take it down. If you can help please contact the school office or Jim Mann. Date for taking it down is Monday 24th July.

Music Concert – Thursday 13th July, 2.20pm

Our less experienced musicians and some of our more experienced groups will be performing for us at this concert. Your child will be told if they are playing. All parents and friends are welcome to come along and enjoy the music! If your child has recently started playing an instrument out of school, they can be included. Please see Mrs Miller if this is the case.

Swimming Gala – Monday 10th July at 1.15pm (For Years 2-6)

All the children from Year 2 and above will be taking part in our Inter-House Gala. Do come and watch, bringing sun protection if needed.

Our Year 1 and Foundation Stage children will have an open swimming session in the morning, with Foundation Stage from 10-10.30am and Year 1s from 10.30-11am. Please come along to see them swim if you'd like to.

Party in the Park – Tuesday 18th July at 5.30pm

Bring a picnic to this event in the marquee where Gold Base will entertain us with a musical production and the choir will sing for us.

Whole-School Trip to Sandbanks - Wednesday 19th July

To celebrate the end of the school year, we are planning to take the whole school to the beach for games, sand castles, paddling and ice-creams. We would like it to be an equal experience for all the children so we will only be asking for parent helpers to join us on the coaches and will bring all the children back at the end of the trip. It felt rather sad to have only half the children going home on the coaches whilst the others get to stay on the beach. I hope you understand our thinking on this, there are limitations to what we can allow the children to do on a school trip, but the fun of all being out together out-weights these limitations.

Leavers Service – Thursday 20th July, 2pm in the Church

Leavers Party – Friday 21st July 6pm

The whole school community is invited to both these events to say goodbye to our leavers.

Final Assembly - Friday 21st July, 2pm

Our last assembly in the Marquee is a less formal occasion than the Leavers service, where we give out swimming certificates and other bits and pieces. We have re-located to the Marquee this year because we will be storing lots of furniture in the Hall on the last day in preparation for the building works during the summer holidays.

Swimming Pool

We have made full use of our swimming pool this year, it is used throughout the school day, at after school swimming sessions and for private hire. We would like to remind you that your donations are essential to the running of the pool, if you haven't already, please send in a donation to enable us to keep the pool running for another year. Thank you.

M. Salisbury