Newsletter – 07

23rd October 2026

GEM Certificates



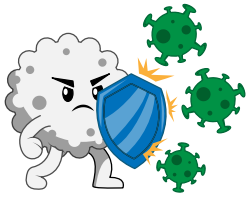
Celebration Assembly is to recognise pupils who have demonstrated exemplary use of their gem powers. Pupils from each class receive a gem certificate to celebrate their achievements. Congratulations to the following pupils who were celebrated this week:

Year 1 – Crue, Oba, Emmie, Cecilia, Nella, Alice, Jahkiel and Saddam
Year 2 – Papa, Myya, Una, Anaya, Albie, Isabella, Archie, Jenson and Mason
Year 3 – Finely, Cairo, Loki, Jayden, Amanda, Oakley, Josiah and Aslam
Year 4 – Liam, Felicity, Maryan, Jacob, Riley, Sienna, Robyn and Dylan
Year 5 – Freddie, Carmel, Jasper, Georgia, Delta, Ryleigh, Delani and Elisa
Year 6 – Ahmed, Jacob, Posey, Abel, Arthur, Rowan, Sonny and Amanda

Flu Vaccine Reminder

The annual flu vaccination programme is scheduled to be carried out in school for all children on the **Monday 2nd November**, for children who have consent for the vaccination.

To sign up for your child to receive the vaccine please click: https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2026/consent?v=3 or scan the QR code:



Holiday Club

Advance notice that Space Cadets will not be open on the December Inset Day and will also be closed during the Christmas Holidays. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Missing Scooter

A Pink Scooter has gone missing from the Bike Shed near the Ball Court. If your child has a scooter similar to the one pictured, please can you check you have the correct one – it looks like the wrong scooter may have been taken from the shed in error.



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Our School

Everyone can achieve
Everyone can learn
Everyone belongs

Message from Mr Browse - Term 2 Activities



We are very excited to be able to confirm some of the events and activities that will be taking place during Term 2 – including a Family Games Night, Winter Discos and a range of festive events.

For many of our events to be successful, we do need your help and support. If you can help with any of our Term 2 events, please let us know by completing the short form below. We will then be in touch to discuss in more detail, how you can help. We are especially keen to hear from anyone who can help to organise our Family Games Night, support with our Winter Raffle and help at the School Discos.





https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/mV97H3Vrqs

We would like to create a Community WhatApp group of parents and Carers who would like to be more involved in helping us to arrange events at school. If you would be happy to be included, please let us know on the form.

Below is a copy of our Term 2 Events Calendar – Please add these important events and dates to your calendars – including the Reception Nativities, Rocksteady Concerts and some important Maths and Phonics Classroom visits and parent information sessions. **Note - events in blue are dependent on us having suffient parent/carer support to enable them to run.**

Thank you
Tim Browse

Term 2 2 Nov – 18 Dec 2026				
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
16 Nov	**17 Nov**	**18 Nov**	**19 Nov**	**20 Nov**
	3:30pm-4:30pm School Nurse Drop-in (classroom tbc)	9:00am Phonics **Y1** parent classroom visits and follow-up talk in Stratos Hall		
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
23 Nov	**24 Nov**	**25 Nov**	**26 Nov**	**27 Nov**
9:00am NumberSense **Y2** parent classroom visits and follow-up talk in Sombrero Hall		9:00am Phonics **REC** parent classroom visits and follow-up talk in Stratos Hall		6:00pm-7:30pm Family Games Night
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
30 Nov	**01 Dec**	**02 Dec**	**03 Dec**	**04 Dec**
		INSET DAY	**Non-Uniform Day** Winter Discos 2:30pm-3:00 REC 3:30pm-4:15pm KS1 4:30pm-5:15pm LKS2 5:30pm-6:30pm UKS2	
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
07 Dec	**08 Dec**	**09 Dec**	**10 Dec**	**11 Dec**
1.45pm - 3.15pm Rocksteady Concert for Parents			1.45pm - 3.15pm Rocksteady Concert for Parents	
Monday	**Tuesday**	**Wednesday**	**Thursday**	**Friday**
14 Dec	**15 Dec**	**16 Dec**	**17 Dec**	**18 Dec**
9:00am: **Y4** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall) 9:30am: **Rec (Star Class)** Nativity (Messier Hall) 2:45pm: **Y1** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall)	9:00am: **Y5** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall) 9:30am: **Rec (Moon Class)** Nativity (Messier Hall) 2:45pm: **Y2** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall) 6pm Stories around the Christmas Tree	9:00am: **Y6** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall) 9:30am: **Rec (Sun Class)** Nativity (Messier Hall) 2:45pm: **Y3** Singing Performance (Stratos Hall)	Christmas Jumper Day 9:30am: Xmas Raffle Draw	Christmas Jumper Day



Donations Wanted



From the beginning of Term 2, we will be collecting donations of the following items towards of Winter Raffle Hampers and Jumper Sale. If you can help by donating any items, please hand them into the school office.

- Christmas Jumpers
  - Has your child outgrown their Christmas Jumper from last year? Why not donate it to our sale so that someone else can enjoy it this year. Pre-loved jumpers are not only good for your budget but also for the environment.



- Winter Raffle Hampers
  - We are looking to make up some lovely winter and festive hampers as prizes in our Winter Raffle - Tickets will be on sale from Friday 27th November until Wednesday 16th December.
  - We would love donations of any items that would make up a lovely hamper or 2. Below are some suggestions



- Selection Boxes
- Biscuit Selections
- Festive Treats
- Luxury food items
- Festive chocolates and sweets
- Christmas Crackers
- Hot chocolate, and Marshmallows
- New card games
- Non-Christmas food items
- New Beauty, Pampering or Toiletries items

End of Term

It's the end of our first term at school and what a positive start to the year it has been.

Enjoy your half-term break and we look forward to welcoming all of the childrne back on Monday 2nd November for what promises to be a fun and busy Term 2!

Year 6 Hoodies



We are pleased to confirm that orders are now open for the Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies.

These can be ordered via School Shop in Arbor for a donation of £10 towards the cost. The remaining cost will be funded by FAB.

If you would like to order an additional hoodie, you can do so via Arbor - paying the £10 deposit and the remaining £15 in cash at the school office.

Sample sizes are available to try on at the school office - we regret that we are unable to exchange items that are the wrong size.

Available sizes are: Age 12/13, Small, Medium and Large Adult. If your child requires a 9/11 size or a XL Adult size, please speak to the school office to order this seperately.

The deadline to order is 3pm on Friday 13th November. Hoodies will be delivered by the beginning of January for children to start wearing immediately.

School Photo Day

Advance Notice - School Photo day for individual and sibling groups will be on Friday 13th November.



All in-school siblings will automatically be photographed together during the day but if you would like to have any family groups taken with children who don't attend Air Balloon (i.e. older and/or younger siblings), you are welcome to come to the hall from 8.30am in the morning.

Christmas Card Orders

Reminder that if your child designed a Christmas card you only have until Monday 2nd November to place your order.



The card your child brought home contains details on how to order. You will need the unique Organisation Reference and Design Code printed on the card to place an order.

There is a wide range of products to choose from, not just cards. All orders are placed directly with Class Fundraising and payments made online.

Please keep your card sample until you have received your final order.

The deadline to place an order is **6pm on Monday 2nd November.**

Term Dates

Term 2:
Monday 2 November to Friday 18 December
Term 3:
Monday 4 January to Friday 12 February
Term 4:
Monday 22 February to Thursday 25 March
Term 5:
Monday 12 April to Friday 28 May
Term 6:
Monday 7 June to Friday 23 July

Inset Days:
Wednesday 2nd December 2026
Thursday 25th March 2027
Wednesday 7th July 2027

School will also be closed on Monday 3 May 2027 for the Early May Bank Holiday

For details on 2026/27 term dates: BCC-school-term-dates-2026-to-2027.pdf

If you want to be really organised, you can find the term dates for 2027/28 here: BCC School Term Dates 2027 2028

Year 6 Reminders

Please remember that applications for Year 7 places must be submitted by midnight on Saturday 31st October. Any applications received by School Admissions after this date will be considered a late application and may affect the ability of School Admissions to be able to offer you your choice of Secondary School.

More information can be found on our school website: https://www.abhps.com/year-6/

Library News

Reminder that tickets for Storytale Festival 2026 are now available to book!

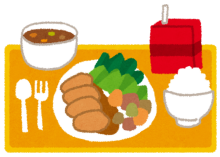
Storytale Festival is a children and YA book festival happening on the 24th and 25th of October at We the Curious in Bristol. Over the course of the weekend, there is a packed programme of storytelling workshops and activities for children, teens and the family! We have a diverse and exciting line up of authors, illustrators and creatives from the local area and beyond.

Bring along your book-loving kids and aspiring authors, or give more hesitant readers a reason to start their storytelling journey. Tickets are available at: https://www.storytalefestival.com/whats-on/#fullevents



Free School Meals

Is your child eligible to Free School Meals? Complete the form below now to check if your child is eligible so you don't miss out.
You can complete the online form here: Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Checker Form 2026 - Fill in form and we will check your child's eligibility. Alternatively, you can complete a paper form which can be collected from the main foyer and returned to the school office.



New Menu

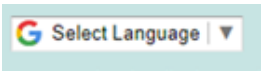
On Thursday, children brought home a copy of the new Autumn Menu that starts on Monday 2nd November.



A copy of the menu will be available on our website along with a copy of the allergens for each menu item.

If you have any questions about the menu or folld allergens, please ask at the school office to speak to Mrs Nichols, our Kitchen Manager.

Accessing the Newsletter

Did you know that the school newsletter can be translated into 130 different languages on our website? To access the newsletter in a different language, visit https://www.abhps.com/newsletters/, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on this icon: 

Choose the language you prefer and the whole page will be translated by Google.
Remember, you can view all pages on the website in a different language by clicking on this option at the bottom of every page.

If you are unable to access the email or website copies of the newsletter and need to receive a paper, please speak to the School office who will be able to arrange this for you.