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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Student Teachers

Since Christmas, we have hosted two student teachers, Miss Prescott in 5JS and Mr Ablett in 3HA. Despite a difficult start due to lockdown, they have both made excellent progress and are now in the process of applying for teaching positions to start in September. I have no doubt that they will make excellent teachers and would like to wish them both all the best for their future careers.

### Eco News

Thank you to all the children who entered our 'Eco-Code' competition last week, there were some fantastic entries. On Wednesday, the Eco-Team spent some time going through all the slogans and narrowed it down to their top three. They then shared these with Mr Tibbles and Mr Taylor for the final decision to be made. We would like to congratulate David from 5JP with the winning 'Eco Code'.

Lots of children also created some logos so we decided we would also have a winning logo. We would like to congratulate Mattea from 4ST.

We are going to put the slogan and logo together to create our very own Bridge School Eco-Code.  
**Well done to both our winners – the Eco-Team will pop along to you next week with your prize.**

THINK ECO  
TALK ECO  
ACT ECO



### Online Assessments

Over the next few weeks, children in Year 3 and 4 will be undertaking CAT assessments in order to identify where children may not be achieving as well as they should be doing as a result of the COVID outbreak. This will sit alongside the normal assessments that we will be completing with the children in Term 6 in order to identify children who may need a little more support in their learning. There is nothing that you, as parents, need to do but we just wanted to make you aware that this would be happening.

### Annual Parent Survey

As part of our regular practice, I am inviting all parents to complete our annual parent survey which is on the linked Google Form below. I have removed the COVID-related questions from last year as there was a specific survey about this a couple of months ago. There is also a section about the planned mixing of classes at the end of Year 4.

**Parental Survey (Summer 2021):** <https://forms.gle/ufFSkdAWh97J1GLeA>

Thank you in advance for sharing your views. The form will close in four weeks' time on the 11<sup>th</sup> June.



### Charitable Fundraising

Rene and Eleanor in 2FP announced in today's worship that they would be raising money for the NHS by completing 6000 star jumps over 30 days – an incredible achievement and one which I'm sure Mrs Franks and Mrs Munday will be supporting (physically as well as emotionally!)

Any donations would be gratefully received and can be left at the school office.

### A Time to Reflect

In our Collective Worship this week we've been reflecting on living prayerfully and what this means. For people of faith, prayer is an opportunity to communicate with God as part of a two-way relationship. The children have considered different ways of praying and different types of prayer.

Prayer may be used to ask for forgiveness, help or to give thanks for what we are grateful for. This Sunday is Pentecost which commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles – and a time for Christians to celebrate joyfully. We ended our worship by reflecting upon everything that we are grateful for in our school and lives.



<sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2: 46-47

With best wishes

James Tibbles  
Headteacher

### A message from the PTFA

Dear all,

The PTFA are looking for either a new treasurer or a new chair (current chair would move to be treasurer).

If are interested and would like to know more about either role then please either email [bridgeschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:bridgeschoolpta@gmail.com) or find Rebecca, Hayley or Mr Tibbles in the playground.

As a group, we tend to work as a team and not only in our specific role and can therefore support each other as and when needed.

As you will all know, it has been challenging over the last year to continue the events and fundraising we usually do, but will be looking to restart certain events (when restrictions allow) as much as we can from Sept 21. We will also be looking for new ways to host events and fundraise.

For the PTFA to fully function, we need to have a full committee so please do get in touch if you can help.

Many thanks

Hayley and Rebecca

## Celebration

### Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

☆ <b>Ruby F (RAM)</b> for her fantastic attitude towards her learning. <i>Miss Maw</i>	☆ <b>Isaac S (4ST)</b> for service to other children - he readily helped children log into purple mash times tables without us asking him and no fuss! <i>Mrs Saint</i>
☆ <b>Lily W (REC)</b> for working hard in phonics and her fantastic reading. <i>Miss Cowley</i>	☆ <b>Bella M (4ST)</b> for service to learning. Bella has made the class some interactive phonics displays based on her home learning. <i>Mrs Tomsett</i>
☆ <b>Oscar S (1CS)</b> for working independently in Maths with confidence and not giving up when it doesn't always go to plan. <i>Miss Smith</i>	☆ <b>Fenton A (4JH)</b> for producing excellent work this week and helping others. <i>Mr Harris</i>
☆ <b>Ellis J (1LA)</b> for her excellent work in Maths this week learning about fractions. <i>Miss Andrews</i>	☆ <b>Cayman R (5JP)</b> for displaying excellent leadership skills during our residential week. Cayman enjoys taking a leading role in many activities but more importantly is developing his ability to take on board the advice and opinions of others. <i>Mr Perfect</i>
☆ <b>Dexter B (2FP)</b> for displaying the Christian value of 'forgiveness' during a game of football! <i>Mrs Franks</i>	☆ <b>Christina C P (5JS)</b> for getting involved in class discussions within all lessons, and for her outstanding work in Maths this week. She has worked extremely hard and was always at hand to help her peers. <i>Mrs Prescott</i>
☆ <b>Sulaiman B (2GD)</b> for having an excellent attitude towards all of his learning this week and playing an active part in our class discussions. <i>Mrs Dennett</i>	☆ <b>Inca C (6NA)</b> for excellent problem solving in Maths and recognising the subjunctive in our class text. <i>Mrs Allen</i>
☆ <b>Joe P (3HA)</b> for his outstanding energy and contribution during our class reading of 'Stig of the Dump' this week. Well done! <i>Mr Ablett</i>	☆ <b>Amber M (6MB)</b> for using her free time to write a stunning, creative piece of fictional writing linked to World War II. <i>Mr Beard</i>
☆ <b>Jack W (3SA)</b> for his attitude to learning, working really hard, listening to advice and acting on it. Well done! <i>Mrs Holdaway</i>	
☆ <b>Oliver F (3SA)</b> for resilience in his learning and writing a brilliant police report based on Stig of the Dump. <i>Mrs Amelia</i>	

### Buster Book Club



Well done to **3SA** who won the class 'Buster Book Club' award again this week having read a total of 825 minutes between them (an average of 27½ minutes each) and to **6MB** who read a total of 1299 minutes (an average of 43 minutes each).

### Million Word Readers

Four new children have joined our 'Million Word Reader Hall of Fame' and been awarded with the much-coveted gold badge as well as a £10 book voucher.



Year 6	Year 5	Year 4	Year 3
Henry P-D ☆ Oliver G ☆	Rosie B ☆	Edie W ☆	Sacha D ☆☆

## Latest Blog Posts

Highlights from blog posts over the past week.

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21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

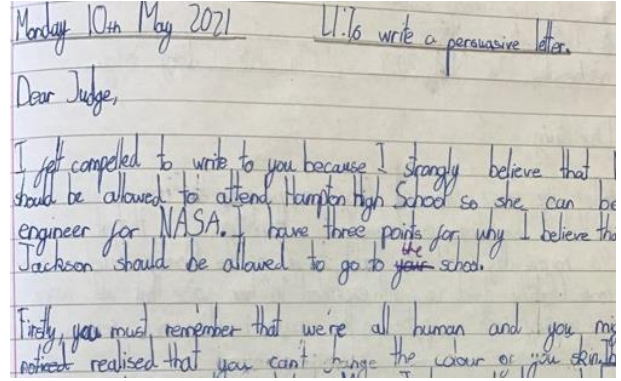


### Year 3 Art & Music Project

This week, within his music lesson, Mr Miles worked with 3SA to interpret their artwork (graphic scores) into music. Graphic notation (or graphic score) is the representation of music using visual symbols.

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### Year 5 Persuasive Letters

This term in English, Year 5 have been using a text called 'Hidden Figures' for their learning. The book is based on the true story of four black women and the Space Race between Russia and America..

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18<sup>th</sup> May 2021



### Year R Insects

Using inspiration from photographs, Year R have made insects this week. Pupils decorated the body using colour pencils; thread and twisted pipe cleaners; used glue; cut with scissors and created tabs when attaching legs and wings.

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### Bridge School ECO Team

We would like to introduce our ECO Team. The six children above are going to help lead our school to achieve the Green Flag award.

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## Upcoming Events

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

CALENDAR >

You are also able to 'subscribe' to the calendar (there is a link underneath the calendar) which means that you can have the school calendar on your phone or tablet and any updates will automatically appear on your device!

<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 Bikeability (Level 1) – Gp 1		
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 Bikeability (Level 1) – Gp 2		
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b>			
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Year 5 Bikeability (Level 1) – Gp 3	Year 6 First Aid Training	4pm: Governor Meeting (Full Governing Body)
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May</b> LAST DAY OF TERM	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 1)		

<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b> INSET Day	School closed to children		
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b> INSET Day	School closed to children		
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>			
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>			
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Kent Challenger Games		

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 2)		
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 2)		
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 2)		
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 2)	New Year R children in school	
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability (Level 2)		

## School Dinners

Meals should be booked and pre-paid via the ParentMail website or app.

<b>Week 3</b>	Sausages with Gravy	Wholemeal Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken & Tomato Casserole	Fish Fingers
	Vegetarian Sausages	Spanish Omelette with New Potatoes	Vegetarian Wellington & Gravy	Sweet Potato & Bean Burger	Stuffed Moroccan Pitta Bread
	Jacket Potato and Beans	Jacket Potato and Cheese	Jacket Potato and Tuna	Jacket Potato and Cheese	Jacket Potato and Beans
	Mash Potato		Roast Potatoes	Rice	Chips
	Carrot, Pea & Sweetcorn Mix	Fresh Broccoli Florets	Cauliflower	Rainbow Vegetable Sticks	Baked Beans
	St. Clements Shortbread	Baked Beans Jelly & Peaches	Carrots Apple Sponge & Custard	Sweetcorn Cheese & Crackers	Peas Biscuit Choice

## Tennis-a-thon 2021 at Bridge Tennis Club

On 18th July 2021 the last Tennis-a-thon will be held at Bridge Tennis Club; Jake and Stewart taking on a doubles pairing every 30 mins over a 24 hour period.

The plan is to start at 8pm on Saturday, finishing at 8pm Sunday.

During Saturday 18th July between 9am and 5pm, the activities will be as follows:

- Quest interactive challenge around Bridge (using the same App as Ski for Sadie). An array of on the day challenges
- mini tennis zone
- Wilson racket testing
- Wheelie bin challenge
- BBQ
- Cakes and raffle - this year with prizes from Wimbledon; Roland Garros and Australian Open allergy info-point and workshop

**If anyone wishes to help on the day please contact us - any help is needed and appreciated.**

Come along and support the day and the Foundation; its aim of delivering programmes in schools to increase children's activity and well-being as well as creating allergy workshops and progressive research with the NHS into supporting and understanding allergies.

### Sign up for the challenge

Please email [stewart@sadiebristowfoundation.org.uk](mailto:stewart@sadiebristowfoundation.org.uk)

- names of pairing and preferences of time slots
- want to play and need a partner. Sign up as above and we will allocate nearer the time
- T-shirt size as the entry fee includes event tshirt

Participation £30 per person includes t-shirt; payable on the day.

Be great to make this last Tennis-a-thon a cracking event - "*Don't be Afraid to be Great*"

## Community Allotment Bird Scarers

The new village community allotment on the recreation ground is ready for its first crop of vegetables! Once the crops are ready for planting, it needs bird-scarers to keep the crops safe. Can you help by making one? Birds get used to the same one, so we need a few.

What makes a good bird scarer?

- ✓ Colourful or reflective!
- ✓ Looks like predator birds, owls, hawks or just a big pair of eyes! 👁️
- ✓ Moves with the wind!
- ✓ Makes some noise!
- ✓ Is waterproof!
- ✓ Recycles household waste, like plastic bottles, CDs, cans, etc.



Any submissions by the end of May are eligible for a prize! You can follow the project on Facebook by searching for "Bridge Village Community Allotment".