



IMPORTANT DATES:

SCOOTFit visiting ~

Wednesday 21st October
2020

INSET DAY

~ Friday 23rd October 2020,
School CLOSED to all pupils

HALF-TERM

~ Monday 26th to Friday 30th
October

**IMPORTANT: CLOSING DATE
for Secondary School
applications ~ 31st October.**

TERM TWO BEGINS

~ Monday 2nd November

History Learning Enquiry Launch ~

Monday 2nd November

Parliament Week ~ 1st to 7th
November

Children in Need ~ Friday
13th November

Friendship Week ~ Monday
16th to Friday 20th November

Odd Socks Day ~ Monday
16th November

Christmas Dates:

09/12/20 ~ Christmas Lunch
16/12/20 ~ Class Parties

DON'T FORGET

**PE Kits to be back in
school on a Monday.**

Thank you

**INSET days for 2020/2021
School closed for all pupils
Friday 23rd October 2020
Monday 4th January 2021
Friday 12th February 2021
Friday 5th March 2021
Friday 18th June 2021**

Dear Parent and Carers

It is hard to believe that next week is the last week of term. Please remember we have an **Inset Day next Friday so the last day of term is Thursday 22nd October.**

In our final week we have **ScootFit** coaching in school. Mrs Franklin, our P.E and Sports Leader has organised this event and we are all looking forward to trying out the new tricks and exercises using the scooters provided. (Please see letter from ScootFit below).

We will also be completing our Learning Enquiry. 'Here We Are' next week There are so many wonderful pieces of Art being produced over the school and next term we will share the finished pieces on our new website.

We have over the last few weeks shown parents around our school and tomorrow we have a socially distanced Saturday open event. If you do know anyone looking for a place for September 2020 then please share our **November open day event** with them.

Thank you for supporting the school this term by arriving and collecting the children on time. If you are finding getting to school on time difficult because of the traffic don't forget we have a **Breakfast Club which starts at 7.30 am and is only £1.00 per week.** Children can be dropped off anytime up until 8.20 am. We still have some places if you would be interested in your child starting after half-term. Please let the office know. Miss Mullins and Mrs Spurrell will look forward to welcoming your child/children next term if you would like them to join.

Congratulations to ten of our Year 5 and 6 children who were selected to compete in the **B&NES Virtual Inter-School 'Quadkids' Athletics Competition** on Tuesday on our school playing fields. The 5 girls and 5 boys had to complete a 75m sprint, a 600m run, a vortex throw and a standing long jump. They really enjoyed pushing themselves to do their best but also showed how supportive they are of each other. Well done especially to **Nyah and Callum L** who scored the most points overall in the St Martin's Garden Primary School team.

Remembrance Day- We are again supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and will be selling Poppies and Stationery on their behalf from **4th November to 11th November.**

This year we will send home an envelope with details of the items that are available .

Any donations can then be returned in the envelope.
Thank you for your support with this.



Technology at Home: Next week we will be sending out our **next Technology at Home Questionnaire** (there are just a few questions we need your help with). Our first questionnaire was sent out over 6 months ago and we would like to thank you for taking the time to fill it in. So much has changed in that time and we need your help again. By filling in the questionnaire you will enable us to be as prepared, as we can, for communicating with you and your child about their learning should the need arise in terms of a future school closure; of course we are all keeping absolutely everything crossed that this will not be the case but we want to ensure that we are best prepared.

This year we are also developing our Computing Curriculum and this week we have taken delivery of some exciting new programmable robots and i-pads which will be used in our **Learning Enquiry 'A Tale of Two Cities Bath and Bristol'**. Next term our Learning Enquiry drivers will be the History, Geography and the Culture of both cities. We will be creating our own animations using this new technology and just maybe the next Aardman animators will be from St Martin's Garden Primary School. If you have any photographs, maps and information about our local area, the cities and any community connections who you think we should link up with then please contact the school office by email and we will get back to you.



Have a lovely weekend,

Claire Parfitt
Headteacher and Specialist Leader in Education.



YEAR SIX PARENTS ~ DON'T FORGET
deadline for Secondary School applications is **31st October**.
Don't be late!

RECEPTION 2021~ OPEN EVENTS



Are you, or do you know anyone, looking for a Reception place for September 2021? We are pleased to be able to offer Covid-19 compliant adult only, showarounds this year. Please wear Face coverings. Tours will be:

Saturday 17th October 2020 between 10am and 1pm (Tours at 10.00am, 10.45am, 11.30am, 12.15pm and 1.00pm)

Thursday 22nd October 2020 at 4.30pm

Saturday 7th November 2020 between 10am and 1pm (Tours at 10.00am, 10.45am, 11.30am, 12.15pm and 1.00pm)

Booking is essential. Please call 01225 832112 to book a suitable date and time.

Please pass this information to everyone looking for a school place. Thank you Mrs Parfitt.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS (Eligible by Benefit) ~ B&NES Council now have a **Free School Meals Eligibility Checking service** on the new Free School Meals web page on the B&NES website with a link to an online **benefit related free school meal application form** which can be found using the following link: <https://beta.bathnes.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> and navigate

to [Apply online for free school meals >](#) .

If you are claiming benefits you maybe entitled to Free School Meals (Eligible by Benefits) please apply to Free School meals by using either the link above, emailing freeschoolmeals@bathnes.gov.uk, calling 01225 394317 or completing an application form available at the school office. Thank you.

School Fleeces ~ Red logo'd school fleeces will be available to purchase from Michael Hope (Our uniform provider) next week.

<https://www.michaelhope.co.uk/products/school-shops/st-martin-s-garden-primary-school>

Thank you.

Scooting Training with Scoot Fit

Scoot Fit, a professional scooting company is visiting St Martin's Garden Primary on **Wednesday 21st October** who use scooters as secret exercise machines. Their aim is to get children confident and competent at scooting after a single session so children want to scoot more often.

Scoot Fit sessions are completely innovative, children scoot for 30 minutes non stop to music helping develop skills, abilities and confidence.

After this session your child may come home from school enthused about scooting and want to scoot more often.

Did you know?

Scooting burns 30% more calories than cycling and running
Faster than walking, 20 minute walk in 7 minutes on a scooter
Safer than cycling, you scoot on the pavement

Scooting is a great way of building exercise into your child's daily routine if they scoot to and from school. Scooting is an all over body workout engaging all the major muscle groups in the body.

Why are we coming to your school?

Our evidence shows 40%-60% of children in EYFS and KS1 can't scoot correctly and are put off scooting when they can't get the hang of it and never scoot again.

When these children enter KS2 their body grows making it easier for them to scoot and they become excited and enthused about scooting after a Scoot Fit session.

The Result

A direct result of this training is more children wanting to be active on scooters so please encourage your child to scoot whenever possible; it's really good for them.

Scoot Fit use all different kinds of scooters that your child may not have ridden on before, ask your child what scooter did they used and why they liked it?

If you have any questions about the training or what scooters are best for your child, please contact info@scootfit.co.uk or www.scootfit.co.uk we're here to help get you scooting.

ALSO

- We recommend children **bring gloves** as the weather is forecasted cold
- Could the girls have **hair down and not in buns or high ponytails** because the helmets can be difficult to fit securely

Many Thanks, James Rodger, Scooting Instructor. See you on Wednesday!



**THESE WILDCATS
HAVE
FUN**

Have fun. Make friends. Play football.
Sign up now at TheFA.com/SSEWildcats

Centre Name

Date & time

Location

How to Book



Bath & North East
Somerset Council



Cook it

Free five week online course for
parents and children

**Discover how to make easy, healthy
recipes and receive 1 to 1 weekly
telephone support**

- Free recipe booklet and links to our **NEW** video recipes
- Support with meal planning and budgeting
- Every family receives 2 supermarket vouchers (£10 in wk 1, £15 in wk 5) to put towards buying ingredients or equipment for recipes
- Choose a day and time that suits you

Call the Community Wellbeing Hub to find out more
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