



St Bonaventure's Pre-school Newsletter

20th April – 22nd May 2026

Term 5

Term 5 has very quickly come to an end, but what a fun term we have had. We have been really busy, enjoying the outdoors; planting herbs, growing cress, cooking, playing Tennis, fun at Forest School, looking at how we have grown and changed and of course we can't forget about our little Ducklings that we helped to look after.

Curriculum Focus -

This term our focus has been all about **growth, change and measurements**.

This focus facilitated an understanding that change occurs throughout all of life and it shouldn't be something to worry about. We have looked at how things grow, extending our learning to animals (ducklings), plants (herb garden and cress) and human growth (baby photos).

We have also been exploring weight, length, volume and capacity, we have been modelling language and asking questions like "is it tall, short, heavy or light"? We've been using our weighing scales to explore that smaller things can be heavier than bigger things. We have also been drawing around one another to compare sizes as well as building really tall towers and really long roads.

During our small group times, children have been exploring 'why' questions, working collaboratively to build long and tall towers using unifix cubes, developing their fine motor skills by threading pipe cleaners through colanders, and exploring the sound 'P' in our sound bags."

Term 5 ends on
Friday 22nd May and
we will return for
Term 6 on Monday
1st June 2026

Baby Photos

Thank you to those who have sent in baby photos. If you haven't and don't mind, please do send them in as we will continue to look and talk about how we have grown and changed after half term.



Parents Evenings

Next term we will be hosting parents evening over 2 evenings, 17th June and 25th June. When we return after half term, your child's Key Person will be asking you about suitable dates and times. Like before, we unfortunately won't be able to accommodate children. This evening will be a great opportunity to speak about any concerns you have about the upcoming transition into school.

Next Term

Next term as well as continuing to explore 'growth' and 'change' our focus will also be 'Getting Ready for School', and looking at 'Being Healthy'. We will slowly begin talking with the children about their next adventure into school and chatting about the exciting times that are ahead.

Please find below a link to the wonderful events being hosted by the Bristol Parent Carer Forum

[Archives: Events - Bristol Parent Carers](#)

Gentle Reminders

***Please continue to check lost property and claim anything that may be yours.**

***Can you check when you come through the gate and ensure that it has closed behind you.**

***Please do let us know, either via email or telephone, if your child will not be coming into Pre-school**

***Please do ensure that you let either myself or Joanne know if any of your contact details change, e.g. phone numbers/ addresses etc. so we can update our records.**



Next term we would love to invite anyone who would like to come into Pre-school and do an activity with the children. Whether it be reading a story, doing some cooking, singing or music or making something together, whatever time you can spare. If this is something you would be interested in doing then drop me an email and we can try and organise a day and time.



Please do keep routine vaccinations up to date. Please see [Routine childhood immunisations schedule from January 2026](#)

Conversation starters with your children.....

“what made you laugh today”

“if you could choose any meal for dinner this week, what would it be”

“tell me 2 things you are really good at”

“what’s your favourite colour”

“what makes a good friend”

“if you could be invisible for 1 whole day, what would you do”

“if you had one wish, what would it be”

“if you could be an animal, what animal would you be”

“what’s your favourite thing to do as a family”

“are you scared of anything”

What3Words



Do you have the What3Words app? South West Ambulance have reported several incidents where they were unable to accurately locate a child during a 999 call. To help prevent this, they are encouraging the public to download the what3words app. Once installed, it works without mobile data and provides a precise location using a unique three-word code for every 3m x 3m square.

Show and Tell theme for when we return from half term is.....

‘Something you did in your half term week’
it could be a photo of where you have been,
or something you found on holiday, or made during your week off.

**Please note we are
always available if you
need to have a chat at
any time.**

Many Thanks