



St Bonaventure's Pre-school Newsletter

Term 3 5th January – 13th February 2026

Term 3

As term 3 comes to an end we reflect on how quickly it has flown by and all the fun we have had. We have been really busy with, cooking, forest school, visiting the Allotment Gardens, and playing tennis.

I wish everyone a relaxing half term break.

Traditional Tales

This term we have been reading **The Three Little Pigs and Goldilocks and the Three Bears and The Three Billy Goats Gruff and The Gingerbread Man**. The children have been showing off their acting skills and have been putting on some great performances of the stories. It has been lovely watching the children incorporate both of these stories into their role-playing games and pictures.



Tennis – We have had another great term of Tennis and the children are gaining more and more skills. Tom and Francois have been really impressed by how well they have all been getting on.

Gentle Reminders

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

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

***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.**



Show and Tell

Thank you so much for all the wonderful things that the children have brought with them over the last couple of weeks. We don't know how, but 'Show and Tell' has really taken off during circle time and it has been lovely to see the children being so confident to talk about their special items and the other children listening and asking some great questions. The rule is that the children pop their show and tell items in the pink basket when they arrive and then they stay there for the day, this is so they can be kept safe, not get broken or lost etc.



Important Dates

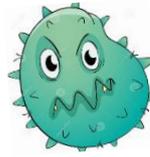
Friday 13th February – Term 3 ends

Monday 23rd February – Term 4 Starts

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We are so sorry about the puddle by the gate! Thank you so much to those who brush away the water, when they come for pick up or drop off, we do appreciate it. We have spoken to the school and the Church about it and we are thinking of ways that we can keep your feet dry!



Bug season is very much here! Please do try and keep your children away from Pre-school if they are not well, and do let us know if they are not coming in.

It is also very important for you to let us know if your child has had medicine prior to coming into Pre-school.

Numbers – this term our maths focus has been numbers and counting. We have been encouraging the children to count objects accurately, write down numerals, go on number treasure hunts, and guess / estimate how many children are in each day. We then incorporate number work into all aspects of our day and play.

Our Committee needs you!!!

*Would you like to be part of our Pre-school Management Committee? We are looking for new members to join our Committee, **particularly a treasurer**. Please do let myself or Heather (current Chair) know if you or anyone you know would like some more information*

heatherlouiseturner@gmail.com

How to help at home – Writing

Writing letters in sand, water or paint is a great way to practise letter formation. Start with the letters from your child's name and move on to initial sounds. In order to grip a pen, children need to develop their fine motor skills. Fine motor and hand-eye coordination will develop through lots of activities such as pinching, twisting, threading, squashing and squeezing.



How to help at home – Maths

Practice counting out objects, such as, buttons, toys or sticks collected on a walk. Encourage your child to point to each object as they say the number name. Cooking is a great way to incorporate lots of mathematical language. Measure ingredients and bake something yummy together and set the time for it to cook.

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Fun packed parties that are full of imagination.

If your child loves drama & adventure, then a bespoke Box of Wonders party is the perfect entertainment!

Pirates, wizards, fairytales...
An adventure comes out of the box that's tailored to your child's interests



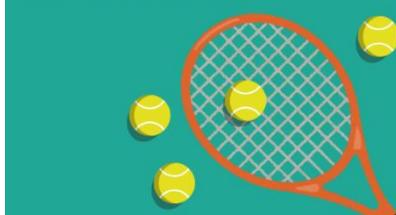
Parties from £100

Becky did an amazing job of our son's Wizards party! She put lots of thought into some really fun games. I would highly recommend Becky as professional, creative & committed to providing a top quality service. - Fran

Becky planned a fantastic Pirate party for my son's 5th birthday. They were all enthralled from start to finish and loved the adventure! One of the easiest parties ever! I highly recommend Box of Wonders! - Debbie

Contact Becky for bookings & details:
email: boxofwonderstheatre@gmail.com
instagram: [boxofwonderstheatre](https://www.instagram.com/boxofwonderstheatre)

FREE U8, U9 & U10 SATURDAY MORNING TENNIS



U8's – Saturday 28th February at 9am – 10am

Sign up here if you are interested.....

<https://ellyshearmantennis.co.uk/free-u8-u9-u10-saturday-morning-tennis/>

Has your child had the MMR vaccine?

Cases of measles are growing across the UK, with 21 new cases of measles in Bristol since December 2024.

The MMR vaccine is free, safe and effective on the NHS whatever your age. Two doses provide the individual with 99% protection against catching measles.

To see if you or your child is up to date with MMR vaccines, check your personal child health record, known as 'the red book', or contact your GP practice.

Next Steps

This term your child's Key Person has set some new next steps which they will share with you over the next couple of days. Please do let us know if you have anything that you may want to add or contribute.

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

Many Thanks
Marie and the team.