



# Cheddar First School

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**A Big Thank you** to all the families and children who came along to sing at the Harvest Service last Sunday. It was greatly appreciated and, although I couldn't see you, I did enjoy listening to a recording!

**Congratulation to Cerys Latham** who has been chosen as the overall winner for the Bloor Homes Bedroom competition with her 'Woodland theme'. We look forward to seeing the finished bedroom in the show home.

## FPTA News - Update from Kelly Davies (FPTA Secretary)

**Quiz and Curry Night:** £445 PROFIT from Friday's Quiz Night!! A massive thank you to Mr Davies for being a fantastic quiz master and to Mrs Chatterjee & helpers for cooking us such delicious curries. And a big thank you to the 60 staff and parents who supported the event and helped raises vital funds for our school. Next time, please can one of the questions be "Name the four whiskeys mentioned in Ed Sheeran's Galway girl." I know the answer to that one!

**FPTA AGM:** Minutes from the AGM are available on the website.  
At the AGM on Friday the new committee was elected as follows:

Claire Holmes - Chair  
Kelly Davies - Secretary  
Clare O'Roarty - Treasurer  
Victoria Boorman - Parent member  
Ali Saull - Staff member

The committee would like to thank the outgoing chair, Steve Cayford, for his input over the past two years. We wish him and his family all the best and are sure that Cheddar First School's loss will be Fairlands' gain.

## Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> October

### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Year 3 & 4 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm  
1:30pm Goldfinch & Kingfisher Class –  
Church visit

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Year 4 Brass

### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October

INSPIRE Puffin & Swan Class 9-9:40am  
Year 4 Swimming

Year 1 & 2 Sports Club 3:30-4:30pm

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October

INSPIRE Puffin & Swan Class 9-9:40am  
Year 3 Swimming

6:30pm Fairlands Open evening Yr 3 & 4  
parents and children welcome

Cheddar First School Singers 3:30-4:30pm

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

Puffin Cake Stall

**Michelle Bird** has kindly agreed to continue in her role as parent volunteer liaison. Thanks also to **Nicola Haynes** for organising Second Hand uniform sales, **Jenny Hutchinson** for arranging clothing collections, **Dan Lane** for putting up Christmas decorations and **Lea Mazi Thomas** for ensuring Father Christmas has gifts to give out on the last day of term. Thanks also to **Father Christmas** as well as his **elves**, and also to those **volunteers** on Michelle's list who help out as and when they are needed.

As you can see, you do not need to be on the committee to be part of the team. Please message **Michelle** on [mickieloul@gmail.com](mailto:mickieloul@gmail.com) to be added to the volunteer list. You can also look out for ways you can help on Facebook posts, the newsletters or why not come along to one of our half termly meetings. (Dates to be announced on the school website and on the FPTA Facebook page)

**Family Assemblies** Parents/Carers and other family members are invited to come and share in their child's class assembly.

The dates are as follows:

- 19<sup>th</sup> January Skylark Class
- 2<sup>nd</sup> March Goldfinch Class
- 20<sup>th</sup> April Woodpecker Class
- 11<sup>th</sup> May Kestrel and Falcon Class
- 25<sup>th</sup> May Puffin and Swan Class
- 6<sup>th</sup> July Kingfisher Class

Assemblies are at 2:45pm in the school hall. Parents of children in Wren and Robin Class will be invited in the summer term.

**Cake Stalls** Each month one of the classes organises a cake stall in the school hall. These events are extremely popular and the money raised is used to pay for resources for cooking, craft and design activities. The dates are:

- 13<sup>th</sup> October Puffin Class
- 10<sup>th</sup> November Falcon Class
- 8<sup>th</sup> December Skylark
- 26<sup>th</sup> January Woodpecker Class
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February Kestrel Class
- 9<sup>th</sup> March Swan Class
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March Wren Class
- 27<sup>th</sup> April Robin Class
- 8<sup>th</sup> June Kingfisher Class



Cake stalls take place at 3:30pm in the School Hall.

Dates for your diary	
9 <sup>th</sup> October	Goldfinch and Kingfisher Class visit to St Andrew's Church
11 <sup>th</sup> or 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Swan and Puffin Class Inspire session 9:00 – 9:40am
13 <sup>th</sup> October	Puffin Class Cake Stall
16 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 3 Cave visit – please note this is the correct date.
16 <sup>th</sup> October	4-6pm Parent/teacher appointments evening
19 <sup>th</sup> October	4-6pm Parent/ teacher appointments
	23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October Half Term Break
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Falcon Class Cake Stall
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Kingfisher Class Cake Stall
	<i>Provisional dates, times and venues to be confirmed</i> <i>Reception Nativity play: 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> December</i> <i>Years 1-4 Christmas production: 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> December</i>
21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Party
	22 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> January School Closed – Christmas Holiday

**Christmas Crafts Family Session – Cheddar Library**

Start the countdown to Christmas creatively at a family session on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30 pm** at Cheddar Library, and make Christmas decorations, cards and boxes. *(Please note change of day.)*

The Sewing and Craft Group, who meet at the library, invite children, accompanied by a parent, grandparent or carer, to this Autumn Holiday Family Session. Please telephone Cheddar Library on 0300 123 2224 to book a place, or e-mail [chelib@somerset.gov.uk](mailto:chelib@somerset.gov.uk). There will be a 50p charge for materials.

**Parent/Teacher Appointments**

Lists are now available outside the classrooms for you to sign up for an appointment to see your child's teacher. If you do not come into school please e-mail or telephone the school office so we can try and arrange an appointment.

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

As you know we are working hard to keep overall attendance in the school above 97%.

**Term Dates 2017/18**

Term dates and In-service days for 2017/18 are on the school website

[www.cheddarfirstschool.co.uk](http://www.cheddarfirstschool.co.uk) under Key Documents.

Please note holidays in term time cannot be authorised.

**Safeguarding**

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried about a child and would like to talk to a member of staff in private, please make an appointment to see:

- Mrs Wookey - Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Smith or Mrs Alen - Deputy Designated leads

As parents you can contact support agencies directly:  
NSPCC 0808 800 5000  
Somerset Direct 0845 3459122



The FPTA would like to thank our partners for their ongoing support of our fundraising efforts

