

Headmaster's Newsletter

Summerhill Infant School

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Term 3

Happy New Year

We will be talking to the children about New Year Resolutions. I hope they will share them with you.

With the weather turning colder and forecasts of snow in other parts of the country, I would remind Parents/Carers to please check the Bristol City Council School Closure website, as this will be updated in the event of adverse weather conditions; <https://www.bristol.gov.uk/residents/schools-learning-and-early-years/school-closures>

Please can you help ease the congestion by parking further away from school and walking. The walk up Plummers Hill will definitely get the heart pumping after the festive break!

Attendance for the whole school to date is 94.1% which is far below the expectation of a good or better school (96%). It would be fantastic if we could get our school attendance even higher. Please help us 'Rise to this challenge'.

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After School Clubs

Clubs

After School Clubs will return this week if you have signed up.

Stay Safe

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

Pupils do need to be accompanied in the playground at the start of the day. Until the children are safely inside school, you are responsible for their safety on the school grounds. Only adults aged 16 or over can pick up children from class.

Please also remember to inform the School Office if your contact email address has changed. All correspondence will now be sent home electronically.

Be Healthy

Walk to School

The Christmas break has been and gone, let's get everyone walking to school. It will also help the children to get more regular exercise and feel fresh and ready for a school day after a morning's brisk walk. Far better than sitting in the traffic.

Enjoy and Achieve

The children have started to find out about their new topics and good attendance is really important if gaps are not to start appearing in the children's learning.

All Teachers have reported about their Classes and any concerns they had about the progress the children have been making.

Lack of support at home can be a real barrier for children learning the basic skills of reading, writing and arithmetic. If you would like advice please talk to your child's Class Teacher.

Look out for information about the Phonic Check in Year 1 and 2 and please do try and attend.

the meetings.

In the coming months a number of school visits are planned, if you can help on the visit please contact your Class Teacher and they will explain the next steps if you currently do not hold a DBS Certificate.

The voluntary contribution ensures we can afford to enrich the Pupils' learning by taking them on educational visits. Parental volunteers ensure we have enough adults to keep the children safe when learning off site.

Without your support we would be unable to offer school trips for all our Pupils.

We welcome Ms Inwood to Lovell class. Ms Eaton-Griffin will be working in Muller class for the next few weeks while Ms Williams is away.



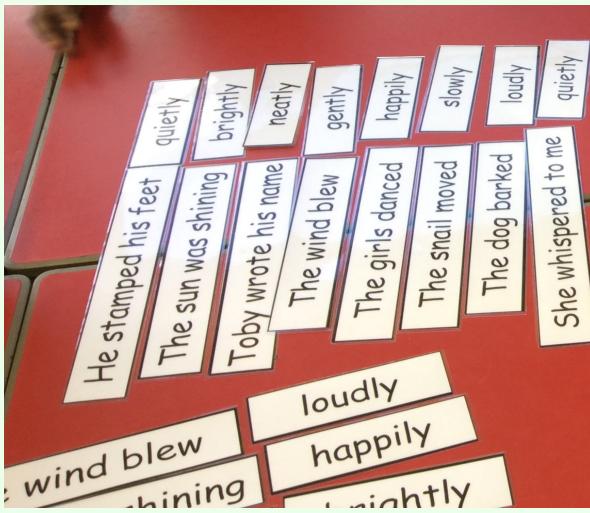
Early Symmetry Art (Reception)

Positive Contribution



Thank you for your support in 2025.

We will continue to raise money and awareness of good causes at home and abroad in 2026, to help the children understand the wider world around them.



Puzzle:

2 pieces of coal and a carrot are lying on the grass in a garden in early Spring. How did they get there?

Recycling & Energy Efficiency

The children are involved in recycling and energy efficiency at school. From paper recycling, fruit composting to switching off lights

Pic: Using adverbs



Newsflash!

We are delighted to announce that Unique Voice offer the wraparound care for our pupils and offer creative workshops each session. Look out for further information. You can sign up on a termly, weekly or even daily basis for more details pick up a leaflet in the Main Foyer.

Term 3 House Competition

Instruction Book

Win 10 House Points!

Teach us how to make something so we can create a Summerhill Instruction book. It could be a food recipe, instructions to make something like a paper airplane.

You will need to remember to tell us the resources or ingredients needed how to prepare it in steps and what to do when you are finished. Remember to use time clauses and illustrations for each step.

Deadline : Monday 9th February 2026

Volunteers

Q: Can you help the school by listening to the children read their key words?

If you can spare a morning or afternoon to come and help in school then the answer is YES. Please see the School Office about helping in

'Rise to each challenge—Shine with success'



School Council Minutes

When available School Council Minutes will be found here:

Towards the end of term 2, the School Council helped to promote the School Winter Fayre by visiting classes and asking for donations, particularly for the Jar-bola. We also discussed what we will be working on in term 3. In term 3, the School Council will be looking at creating a welcome book or booklet that can be given to prospective families and children about life at Summerhill Infants and what to expect when you join our Mr Marles

Assistant Headteacher

School Development

At Summerhill Infant School we strive to provide an outstanding learning environment for all our children each and every day.

We also believe that our Parents/Carers play a crucial role in every child's educational and personal development. If you would like to know more about school life or have any ideas or suggestions please contact me through the School Office. Friends of Summerhill also have a suggestion box by the School Office.

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