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HARRY POTTER EVENING

This week, we had a spellbinding Harry Potter evening! The children were first sorted into houses, before practicing spells on each other! Bertie Botts every flavour beans provided the tasty snacks as the children participated in a hotly contested quiz in which Slytherin were eventually crowned house champions (after Gryffindor had lost 5 points for visiting Hagrid after hours and being caught by Filch!)

It was a great evening and thanks to Dobby (also known as Mrs Bush), Madam Pince (also known as Mrs George) and both Mr Jarmans for organising.



YEAR 4 CHOCOLATE CREATIONS

Year 4 were creating new chocolate products this week. Over the last couple of weeks we have conducted market research on the year 2 children and used this information to plan a brand new chocolate product. We made recipes and designed packaging, learning about food hygiene on the way. Finally, working in groups, we brought in our ingredients and spent a very enjoyable day making our marvellous chocolate creations with the help of some of our lovely parents. And of course we shared our creations with our year 2 colleagues- it was only fair!



TEA TIME CONCERT

Don't forget it's the Tea Time Concert next Tuesday 7th February at 3:30-4:30pm in the hall at Cotham Grove. Please see Mr Millington for more details.

KS2 CHOIR

As advertised in the school calendar, there is **no choir rehearsal next Tuesday** because of the tea time concert. However we will be holding a very informal casting session for our musical Alice in Wonderland. All choir members know about this from the letter (on the website too). Please remember to send in the attendance slip so that we know who to expect. Your child will only be needed for a minute or two and then can go back to the tea time concert. Any queries email Emmeline.smith@colstonsprimary.co.uk. I am hoping to get tracks of all the music on to the school website by the end of the weekend so keep a look out!

READING VOLUNTEERS

Thinking of training as an LSA? Got a spare hour each week?

We are looking to recruit and train some more reading volunteers to support the teachers and children in school with our Boosting Reading @ Primary programme. If you have some spare time and can help, I will be holding a meeting to give more information next Friday - 10th February at 2pm in the Elmgrove site meeting room. This meeting will be for people wishing to work in all year groups - not just Elmgrove. More details from Emmeline.smith@colstonsprimary.co.uk

LIBRARY NEWS

A **BIG** thank you to the PTAF for buying some fantastic books for the library and reading books for Elmgrove. They will be enjoyed by everyone!

ELMGROVE NEWS

Mr Higgins is hoping to get a group of volunteers together to help to maintain and develop the Elmgrove garden. If you might be interested in lending expertise and/or time, please let him know (you could pass him a message through the school office).

Reception and Year 1 are always looking to refresh and replenish their play resources. If your children have grown out of toys and you'd like to pass them on, we would love to give them a new home. We are especially interested in:

- construction toys like lego, mobilo, marble runs etc
- dressing up clothes
- good books that are in good condition
- outdoor toys and equipment
- bicycles or tricycles
- toy cars

We only really want items in good condition. If you have large items to donate to us, please check with us before bringing them in.

PTAF EVENTS

Colston's Annual Quiz Night - Friday 24th February

24th February, 7:30pm in the Cotham Grove hall

Teams of 6-8 people - £5 per person

Please buy tickets at www.colstonsquiz.eventbrite.co.uk

HALF-TERM SEWING WORKSHOP

We will be running a sewing activity day on Thursday 16th February at Playfull on Gloucester road. The day will run from 10am - 4:00pm and will cost £28 per child. This will include all materials. To book your child on please contact Lucy on 07847942277.

ART CLUB

Year 5 art club Mondays 3:30-5:30 and year 6 art club Mondays 3:30-5:30 will be running again after half term. £8 per 2 hour session. Please email we_heart_art@outlook.com if you're interested. We hope to see you there!

