

## *A welcome from our Headteacher, Mrs Dawson*

It has been a short but brilliantly busy term at Frenchay Primary, and it has been wonderful to see so much learning, teamwork and a few very memorable events take place across our school community.

Congratulations to **Green house** on their Sports Day win yesterday! We will include some more photos and details of the event, which we hope parents/carers enjoyed as much as the children did, in our next newsletter.

## *Classroom spotlight: Ladybird (EYFS)*

In Ladybird class the students have been studying Van Goghs observational style this term in Expressive Arts and Design. Look at their beautiful observational drawings!

And as gardeners, they have been putting in the work to grow mint and thyme in our Outdoor Learning Area.

And Ms Edwards has also been leading the class "To 20 and Beyond!" The EYFS Maths superstars have been building and verbally counting numbers beyond 20, including having lots of fun using hopscotch to help their counting.



## *School Streets Trial*

Please be aware that from **Monday 1 June 2026** - which is the first day back after half term - the School Streets Trial will be live. Restricted access will apply to the road outside the school (see map below) during term time on:

- **Morning: 8:20am – 9:05am**
- **Afternoon: 3:00pm – 4:00pm**

During these periods, motor vehicle access (without an exemptions permit) will not be permitted and will be fined. Enforcement is through Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera technology. Please use the Park & Stride site by Begbrook park and continue on foot to the school.

Please see the end of the newsletter for full details and contact details for South Glos council for any feedback.

We ask that all parents/carers park considerately and behave respectfully to staff and local residents when this trial comes into force.



## SATS Exams

A huge well done to all of our Year 6 pupils who completed their SATs this term. We are incredibly proud of the hard work, resilience and positive attitude they showed throughout the week. We hope you all enjoyed your well-deserved day of non-uniform and Task Master games after all your efforts!

## Free School Meals

We are asking all families to check their eligibility for Free School Meals (FSM) Thank you to everyone who has already done so.

Securing FSM not only provides your child with a free, nutritious lunch each day, but also unlocks vital additional funding (Pupil Premium) for our school.

All you need to do is:

- Go to <https://fsm.lgfl.net/>
- Click 'Check Eligibility'
- Complete the short form with a few details about yourself and your child(ren)

Please see the email sent for full details, or pop into the school office. We are always happy to help.



## Classroom spotlight: Robin (Yr1)

It's been a busy term in Robin Class with Mrs Studzienna! Geography has included a local walk, visiting different places in Frenchay and great progress has been made on the class DT project.

The students have also been preparing and choosing ingredient for smoothies.

They have made different juices and tried different fruit, ready for the final smoothie-making session this week. Yum!



## Scholastic Book Club

Our new Scholastic Book Club is now up and running!

Visit <https://clubs.scholastic.co.uk/C-SZGWSBWV> to browse the latest books and place your order online.

For every £1 spent through this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your order online by 15 June 2026.

## Understanding the difference between conflict and bullying

We would like to take a moment to clarify the difference between conflict and bullying, as the language we use is important.

Conflict is a normal part of growing up. It can involve disagreements, arguments or friendship difficulties between children of a similar power level. While these situations can be upsetting, they are usually resolved through support, reflection and learning how to manage relationships positively.

Bullying, on the other hand, is repeated, intentional behaviour that hurts another person and often involves an imbalance of power.

It is important that we use the term "bullying" accurately. When everyday conflicts are labelled as bullying, it can unintentionally reduce the seriousness and impact of genuine bullying situations.

We are always here to support children through both conflict and bullying, and we encourage families to speak with us if they have any concerns.

## Colour Run

A huge thank you to FOFS for hosting another brilliant - and very bright - Colour Run! We raised an incredible £3,123.10, along with an additional £1,056 in Gift Aid.

We are extremely grateful for the generous donations, which have enabled us to order the new roll bars that will be installed during the May half term.



Thank you as well to all the volunteers who helped make the event such a success.

An extra special well done goes to Ladybird Class, who raised an amazing £1,007. As a reward, they will enjoy a cake social with Mrs Dawson and be the first class to use the new equipment next term.



## 2025/26 Term Dates (this year!)

Only Term 6 remains for this academic year and we return to school on **Monday 1 June**.

Please note there are INSET days on 20 and 21 July, meaning the last day of school for children will be Friday 17 July 2026.

## 2026/27 Term Dates (next school year!)

Please visit the school website for all term dates: [frenchayprimary.co.uk](http://frenchayprimary.co.uk), click 'Parents' at the top of the page, then select 'Term Dates' from the menu. INSET days for the 2026–27 school year have now also been confirmed:

- 1 & 2 September 2026
- 22 January 2027
- 12 March 2027
- 9 July 2027

## Sirona Sessions, KS1

**Family Foundations:** 8 June at 9am

This session focuses on three key areas: food (promoting balanced eating and understanding processed foods), activities (encouraging physical activity and managing screen time), and emotions (developing positive mental health practices).

Parents of EYFS and KS1 children are invited. Please RSVP to the school office if you'd like to attend.



Frenchay families get a discount! Use discount code **frenchayprimary** for 20% off

## Sirona Sessions, KS2

There will be two sessions delivered in-class on 9 June for Year 6 students only:

**Growing Up: Puberty and Period Power**

**Getting Ready for Secondary School**

Parents do not need to RSVP for these sessions.

## Staff update

We are pleased to welcome several new members of staff to the team this term:

**Ms Happe** in Year 2 Squirrel Class, **Mrs Morrisby** in the front office, and our new Deputy Head, **Mr Fossard**, who was appointed this term and will replace Mr. Backett in September.

## Class Photos

A reminder that class photos are on Thursday 4 June



Recruiting now for volunteer

## CADET LEADERS

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Do you have a **sense of adventure**?

Could you **make a difference** to a young person's life?

You don't need policing experience to volunteer. Our police cadets are supported by a fantastic team of volunteer adult leaders, who have different backgrounds and a diverse range of skills and experiences.

Based in Patchway or the surrounding area, they give a few hours of their time each week, to support our cadets as they learn about policing, participate in fun activities and attend community events.

### Find out more or apply

If you're motivated, creative and looking for a new opportunity, scan the QR code to find out more or search 'Volunteering opportunities' on our website: [www.avonandsomerset.police.uk](http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk)



# TOY SWAP & PLANT SALE

23 MAY  
10 - 12

SWAP GENTLY USED TOYS

THE GREENFIELD CENTRE, PARK AVENUE WINTERBOURNE, BS36 1NJ

FROME VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK

Funded by **Retrofit West**

## Medical Appointments

Just a reminder to all parents and carers to please try and book medical and dental appointments outside of school hours where possible.

Can you please provide proof of any appointments either by showing a screenshot to the office staff, or sending a screenshot to [office@frenchayprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@frenchayprimary.org.uk) via email. This enables us to keep the class registers accurate and up-to-date.

Thank you.

## Holidays in term-time

As you might be aware there is a big push on attendance and punctuality in schools nationally, therefore schools are now rarely granting authorised absence. Local Authority policy, and Frenchay's policy, is that a child has 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence over 10 weeks, the local authority will be informed and there is a possibility of a fine. These are Department for Education expectations.

## Attendance

Our whole-school attendance target is 96%, and we are currently at **94.5%** Please help us reach our target by ensuring children attend school every day for the remainder of the school year.

## Closing thought

"Let all that you do be done in love." — 1 Corinthians 16:14



Let's work together to create a safer,  
greener and healthier school environment!



## Frenchay Primary School Street Trial

From **Monday 1 June 2026**, restricted access will apply to Alexander Road from the junction of Casely Crescent to the junction with Beckspool Road **during term time only** at the following times:



**Morning:** 8:20am – 9:05am    **Afternoon:** 3:00pm – 4:00pm

During these periods, motor vehicles without an exemption permit will not be allowed access. The map below details where the road restrictions start and finish.

Access from  
Bristol Road will  
remain available



Suggested School  
Park & Stride site

The trial is designed to create a safer, healthier environment outside the school gates by restricting motor vehicle access at the busiest times of the school day.



Safer journeys



Cleaner air



Less  
congestion



More walking  
and cycling

## Enforcement

The trial will operate using Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera technology. Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) will be issued to any motor vehicles that enter or exit the School Street Zone during the restricted times without a valid permit.

## Vehicle Travel in Restricted Times

- If motor vehicle travel is required during the restricted periods, please plan an alternative route to avoid the School Street Zone.
- Access to the Frenchay Park estate during closure periods should be via the Bristol Road (B4058) entrance of Alexander Road.
- Drivers are advised not to enter, exit, or move vehicles within the School Street Zone during the restricted times, as this may result in a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) being issued.

## Trial period and feedback

The trial will operate until March 2027, after which a decision will be made on whether the School Street should remain in place, or the road returned to unrestricted highway use.

We welcome feedback on the trial to inform the decision to make it permanent or not. Feedback on the trial will be open over 3 windows - July 2026, October 2026 and January 2027.

**For more information, including FAQ's, please visit:**

**<https://frenchay-schoolstreet.commonplace.is>**

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