



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Summer 2023-Issue 107

Good afternoon families and welcome to the last newsletter of the half term!

We have had a glorious week in school and our children have enjoyed plenty of extra time outside on the playground, in the sand pit and making use of the den building on the front lawn.

This morning we have had our **Values Champion Assemblies** and I was lucky enough to present awards to our Reception and KS1 children - read on for the names of these brilliant children!

After assembly, the Year 2 classes were treated to a **musical 'showcase'** where some of our older musicians gave a taste of what children can look forward to, if they take up additional instrument lessons in KS2. Mrs Vaughan said it was amazing and quite emotional, watching our older pupils inspiring the next generation of musicians!

Last week we introduced to you Amber-Rae Morgan. **Miss Morgan joined our office team on Monday** and has been getting to know children, staff and parents this week. Further down this newsletter **we introduce you Ms Kovacs, who is joining our Pastoral Team** in July- we are sure you would like to join us in giving this new member of the BVP family, a very warm welcome. We are still looking for a lunchtime supervisor- please share the advert with friends and family who may be interested.

DATES FOR DIARIES

WHOLE SCHOOL

Children break up for half term – 26th May
 Class Photos – 15th June
 Annual Summer Music Concert – 22nd June
Founder's Day - school closed – 23rd June
 Sports Day at Cadbury Sports Ground– 3rd July at
 9:30-11:30 am Parents welcome
 Transition Day – 5th July
 Open Evening – 18th July
Children break up for summer – 25th July

RECEPTION

Paediatric Eye Service -26th June

YEAR 1

YEAR 2

Birmingham Botanical Gardens Trip – 12th July

YEAR 3

Year 3/4 Annual Music Concert – 7th July

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YEAR 5

5M and 5E BCMG Workshop– 7th / 9th / 14th June
 5GW BCMG Workshop – 8th / 19th / 29th June
 Annual Music Concert – 22nd June

YEAR 6

Kilve Court Residential – 19th – 21st June
 Annual Music Concert – 22nd June
 Leavers' Production (evening) – 19th July
 Leavers' Production (afternoon) – 20th July
 Leavers' Assembly – 24th July

As we mentioned previously, today marks the end of the BVP journey for some members of our team- at the end of the day **we will be waving goodbye to Mr Emmott, Miss Nguyen, Ms Jones and Mrs Dews. We wish them all the very best as they embark on new adventures.**

After half term we will be able to share the details about September's teachers, year groups, classes and classrooms. We will also share plans for transition times so your children have plenty of opportunities to get to know their new teachers.

Yesterday we shared our second **attendance summary** with families- we hope you find these useful and informative. If you have any questions, please get in touch via attendance@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk Mrs Walker-Bailey will be moving from the front office after half term as she is taking up her new role as **Attendance Ambassador**. Katie will now be your main point of contact for attendance issues, and you can get in touch with her using the email address mentioned above.

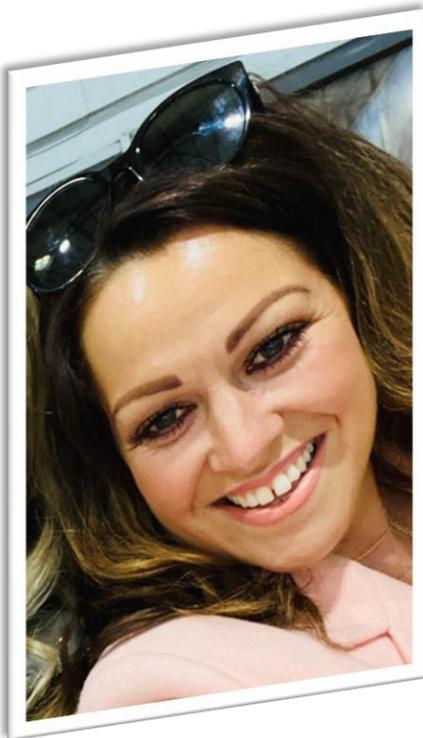
Thank you to the families who have been in touch over the half term- please keep sharing thoughts and ideas so we can work together to provide the very best for our wonderful BVP children. We hope the sun continues to shine for you all next week, and if you can grab some extra moments with your children, we hope you have a really wonderful time. As always, we are here to help, so if needed do contact me via head@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk and I'll get back to you as soon as possible.

Have a good week folks- love to all.

Mrs Amy Cooper
Head Teacher

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is the responsibility of everyone in our school and at all times we consider what is in our children's best interests. We work to ensure our children are safe and cared for and by doing this we are protecting their health and development and preventing them from harm. If we are worried, we will raise concerns, share information, and take prompt action with the aim of ensuring families receive the right help at the right time.

MEET THE TEAM!



Name

Katie Walker-Bailey

Job Role

Attendance Ambassador

What is your experience/background?

After completing my Master's degree, I worked as the Head of Annual Giving at the University of Birmingham. Having always wanted to be a full-time mum, I left my career after my first child and went to live for a while in the Cape Verde Island. I was soon a mum of 3 and after staying at home for 10 years (and 5 days!) I started working for BVP as the school's Secretary and as from next term, I commence my new role as BVP's Attendance Ambassador.

What are your interests/hobbies?

Country walks and a pub lunch.

DIY; gardening; Yoga; travelling; girlie nights (in or out)!

What is your favourite travel destination?

Love Dubai for its luxury, the Caribbean for its chilled vibe and Florida for its Disney magic

What is your favourite genre of music?

I grew up listening to Motown and I love club classics; house, garage and r n b and I think Amy Winehouse is a genius!

What is your favourite food?

Potatoes - cooked any which way; prawns; Easter eggs (the shell), cheesecake and Ferrero Rocher.

If you were stuck on a deserted island, what three things would you have?

My family including my dog, Moisturiser, salt.

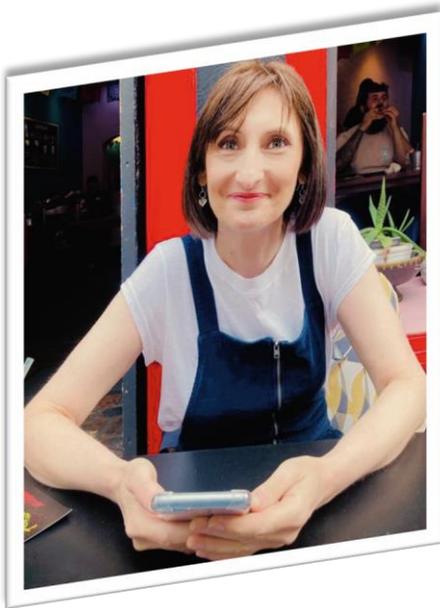
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Name

Steph Kovacs

Job Role

Pastoral Assistant



What is your experience/background?

I have worked in a pastoral and nurture role for 10 Years supporting children and their families, having also worked as a classroom TA and 1:1 support. I am also a Mum of three children. I'm incredibly excited to be joining BVP and very much looking forward to getting to know and support your children and working in partnership with you. If you see me around school, please do come and say 'Hi.' It will be lovely to meet you!

What are your interests/hobbies?

Reading and anything book related! Being outside in nature, walking. Art and history, music and playing the ukulele, Formula 1 and Yoga.

What is your favourite travel destination?

Anywhere and everywhere, I love exploring new places, France is a favourite to visit family.

What is your favourite genre of music?

Pretty varied - mainly folk singer/ writer acoustic and not adverse to some pop!

What is your favourite food?

Pasta

If you were stuck on a deserted island, what three things would you have?

Ukulele, book, hammock!



Today, teachers have awarded the **Values Champion Award** for demonstrating **COMPASSION** to the following children:

KS1

RR – Edmund P
RGR – Dexter H-
RS – Bella V

1T – Abigail M
1C – Eloise N
1G – Paige S

2B – Hannah J
2S – Zack N
2THP – Tobias D

KS2

3C – Zoe B
3B – Jemima B
3H – Mahira K

4S – Selina L
4A – Paige S
4KS – Cooper M
5E – Jacob K
5GW – Sofia D
5M – Amelie C

6Q – Ariana H
6C – Asher P
6T – Abigail M



Music News

Today a group of musicians from Years 4,5 and 6 played for Year 2 to show them some of the instruments they could learn in Year 3. Thank you to our woodwind group Ben (saxophone), Tiernan and Jacob (clarinet) and Owen (Oboe). Isaac (French Horn), Toby (trumpet), Joe (trombone), Jacob and Ewen (violin), Seren (flute), for your amazing playing. We are so proud of you all.

School Choir - Youth Prom Invitation

Thank you to everyone who has replied to the invitation to take part in the Youth Proms concert on Tuesday 11th July. If you haven't yet responded, please do so as soon as possible, as we have a number of very keen Year 6 choir members who would like to take part!

A reminder that all resources for home learning are on the school website. Please do let me know if you'd prefer for these to be posted on seesaw.

Tickets are now on sale for this concert via the link:

<https://bmusic.co.uk/events/services-for-education-youth-proms-2023>

Woodwind Lesson with Mrs Taylor

As you know, woodwind lessons will start again on Monday 5th June. I have been in touch with Mrs Taylor who has said if you have any queries about your child's progress/lessons etc. please email her - Delyth.taylor@servicesforeducation.co.uk or Mrs Vaughan music@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk

Music Lessons for September 2023 - confirmation and sign up needed asap

All children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 will shortly be receiving an email about whether they wish to continue, stop or start learning an instrument in school from September.

It may seem early to have to make this decision, but school has to place its order with the music service by the end of June and we want to try to meet the needs of our children for September.

Furthermore, we want to give you advance notice that the music service has increased its hourly rate by 9.5% and as a result, lessons will cost **£7.60 per week** for a small group lesson and the loan of an instrument. We are also hoping to run an orchestra for our more experienced players after school on a Tuesday which will be free of charge. Details are still being finalised with the music service - we will update you when we have more information.

If you already know that your child **wishes to continue** with music lessons in September, please email confirmation to Mrs Vaughan at music@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk

School Choir - September 2023

We can confirm that our school choir will continue on Mondays after school for Years 4, 5 and 6 and we already have a date for your diary for the next academic year - Saturday December 10th 2023 - our choir will perform at the Birmingham Town Hall as guests of Birmingham Hospital's Choir and Phoenix Singers. It should be a wonderful experience for the children.

Action For Happiness

Meaningful May 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Do something kind for someone you really care about	2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do	3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small	4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together	5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why	6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful	7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why
8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today	9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today	10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times	11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder	12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you	13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture	14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature
15 Do something to contribute to your local community	16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better	17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful	18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about	19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful	20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable	21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger
22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about	23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of	24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today	25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why	26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful	27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others	28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight
29 Today do something to care for the natural world	30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost	31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future				

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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The online world is an important part of kids' lives nowadays. It's an exciting place for them to explore, with all sorts of fun and educational stuff to discover, but there can be some risks too.



NSPCC

'Keeping children safe online' will teach you how to help kids explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely. Our workshop will:

- help you understand how children experience the online world
- show you resources and tools that could help keep them safe
- empower you to guide them on their journey.

Date: 1st, 6th, 21st and 28th June
Time: 7-8pm
Location: Zoom session. Register with Bournville Village Primary School.

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Online Safety Meeting: Please click on each session on the corresponding dates, as well as the meeting ID's and passcodes for each.

1st June 7-8pm: Meeting ID: 897 5523 4960 (no passcode required for this one)

6th June 7-8pm: Meeting ID: 826 6107 0734/ Passcode: 613575

21st June 7-8pm: Meeting ID: 810 2332 3190 / Passcode: 273441

28th June 7-8pm: Meeting ID: 841 2790 2440/ Passcode: 663730

Online safety

Workshop factsheet



Key risks

- Who they're **talking to**
 - This includes grooming and cyberbullying
- What they're **seeing**
 - Innocent searches can lead to not so innocent results
 - Children are often a few clicks away from inappropriate/harmful content
- What they're **'oversharing'**
 - Personal information, location and nude images/videos
 - Remember that when young people share online, it may never be fully private

Signs of online abuse

- **Children may not know what's happening to them**, so the signs may not always be obvious
- **Sudden, unexplained changes** are usually an indication that something's wrong
- Consider what's **age-appropriate** for your child

A child's experience online

- **Remember to focus on what your children are doing online**, not how long they spend online
- The apps and games they're using can be **multi-use** and the risks can lie in these features, eg a game can have chat features and chat apps can have games
- **The things children like to do offline are the same as online**, and the same can be applied in keeping them safe

Top tips for staying safe online

- **Talk with your child** about online safety
- **Explore their favourite apps, sites and games**, and look at the safety features, together
- Make **going online a family activity** where you support each other

Practical advice

- Keeping **younger children** safe online:
 - Supervise what they're doing
 - Check games and videos before they watch and play
 - Turn off autoplay settings
 - Put safety settings on their apps and games
 - Agree rules and boundaries together using the NSPCC family agreement
- Keeping **older children** safe online
 - Ask them what they like to use online and set these things up safely together
 - Use the latest app challenges, like TikTok dances, as a chance to explore together
 - Watch the Childline's YouTube channel films
 - Be realistic with rules, setting ones which you could follow as well
 - Remind them where they can go for support if something worries or upsets them

Getting support for you and your child

- Share **knowledge** with other parents/carers
 - What apps and games young people use
- Share **tips**
 - How do other parents keep their child safe online?
- Share **supervision**
 - Take turns supervising and supporting your child and their friends when they're online, just like you would if they were at each other's houses

Top tips for talking with your child:

1. Always start with the positives. Ask your child to show you what they like doing online as this will show your child that you care about what they enjoy and don't always focus on the risks
2. Make sure they know the basics to stay safe online, eg how to report and block
3. Explore apps and games together so you understand the apps they like to use and can make them safe to use, together
4. Remind them they can always come to you or Childline for support about anything

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Online safety

Resources for parents and carers



NSPCC resources

- For guidance on a wide range of topics, visit the NSPCC's online safety pages: nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety
- For practical tips and real-life case studies, watch the NSPCC's parenting online series: youtube.com/user/nspcc
- Use Talk PANTS resources to help you speak to younger children about sexual abuse online, in an age-appropriate way: nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule

Reporting sites

- Contact CEOP if you're concerned about someone making inappropriate or sexual contact with a child online: ceop.police.uk/safety-centre
- Report sexual images and videos of children shared online to the Internet Watch Foundation
- Report anything online which causes someone distress or harm to Report Harmful Content: reportharmfulcontent.com

Resources for children and young people

- They can visit the Childline website for advice and information: childline.org.uk
- Call Childline on 0800 1111 to speak to one of our counsellors about anything worrying them
- Share experiences and get peer support on the Childline message boards: childline.org.uk/get-support/message-boards
- Contact Young Minds crisis messenger (Text YM to 85258) or visit the Young Minds website for advice about mental health: youngminds.org.uk
- Visit Childline's online and mobile safety page to learn how to stay safe online: childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety
- Watch films on lots of different topics on Childline's YouTube Channel (aimed at young people aged 13-18): youtube.com/user/childline



For more advice or information, contact our trained helpline counsellors on:

0808 800 5000 or help@nspcc.org.uk

If a child is in immediate risk of harm then call 999

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Bournville Village Primary School**Vacancies**

We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment

Lunchtime Supervisors Required

We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated person to join our hardworking lunchtime team, who is dedicated to creating calm, happy and purposeful lunchtimes through promotion of positive behaviour and play.

This post is covered by Part 7 of the Immigration Act (2016) and therefore the ability to speak fluent and spoken English is an essential requirement for this role.

Hours of work are 1 hour 37 minutes per day, 11:30am - 1:07pm

Monday – Friday, Term Time only.

Appointed to Grade 2 Birmingham Contract

Please see Job Description and Person Specification on our website here:

<https://www.bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk/job-vacancies/>

Closing date for applications is 12 noon on 7th June 2023

Interviews date: TBC

Completed application forms should be emailed to enquiry@bournvillevillageprimary.org.uk Ref: LTS Application