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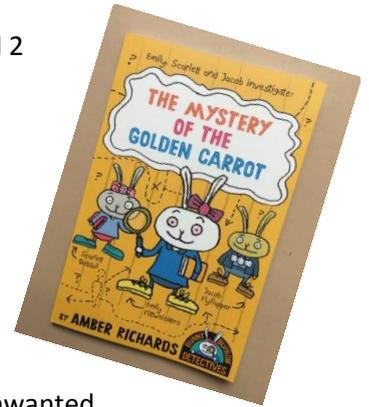
Around the school this week: Whew! What a hot week it's been. Thankfully the weather has cooled down a bit. Let's just hope it doesn't go too far the other way. Reception have been keeping very cool this week with their water activities. They also enjoyed William and Florence's grandad's visit with his bees; this fit in brilliantly after the Wildlife Trust's bee assembly on Tuesday; Year 1 have been thinking about the story 'Handa's Surprise' and they wrote their own fruit similes; Year 2 have done some amazing pirate poems and pirate self-portraits, as well as playing 'Walk the Plank' maths challenges; as part of National Refugee Week, Year 3 have read the book 'The Journey' by Francesca Sanna and thought about the journeys that families take if they want to escape from war zones; Year 4 have created some wonderful Anglo-Saxon style clay brooches and hammers; Year 5 used a range of media to illustrate human and physical features found along the UK coastline; Year 6 had an amazing day out at Wells Cathedral, where they were joined by other Year 6's from around the diocese to celebrate their time at primary school and to think about the journey that lies ahead of them. They have also created some beautiful Japanese-style blossom pictures that I'd love to frame and take home myself!

Dear Parents,

1. Friday 30th June will be a **MUFTI DAY** and we kindly request your child donates the following and brings into school that day:
Reception: Refreshment Stall - cakes, tray bakes, brownies
Years 1, 2 & 3: Children's Tombola - packets of sweets, cuddly toys, colouring books, colouring pens, books, dolls etc.
Years 4, 5 & 6: Adult Tombola - bottles of wine, chocolates, 'smellies/toiletries'.
2. **Fete donations:** All classes can contribute to the Home Produce and Nearly New Stall. Please ensure any donations to the Nearly New Stalls are items that are in very good, sellable condition. We are also in need of donations of old crockery (chipped is great!) Year 6, Niamh, would love to run a teddy game stall at the fete. She's asking for donations of any unloved or unwanted teddies for the game.
3. **Filming:** The film company are in need of more extras for this Saturday's filming. Is your Year 4/5/6 child interested in taking part?
We are casting for 45 (unpaid) children from Years 4, 5 and 6 for the school scenes of a short film funded by Creative England and British Film Institute. The film looks at mental health conditions through the eyes of Will, an 11-year-old boy, as he tries to understand adult suffering.
Filming Date: Saturday 24 June 2017.
Filming Times: 0800-1300 OR 1400-1900 (approx.)
Please send your email, contact number and photo of your child direct to Dawn Smith (Production Manager) dawnsmithps@gmail.com along with your preferred time slot. Please also contact Dawn if you have any further questions regarding the filming.
4. **Bop 'n Hop:** Well done to all of you who are joining in with each morning's Bop 'n Hop, even in this week's heat. Miss Sturges is such a star for leading us in our morning stretches and moves.
5. **Sports Day:** Fingers crossed for good weather next Tuesday for Sports Day. The infants (Years R, 1 and 2) will go first in the morning, starting at 10.00. Classes will be seated along the fence closest to the manor and we would appreciate it if parents could set up their picnic blankets/chairs/etc. on the side of the track nearest the slope. Parents can then join their children at lunchtime for a picnic. If parents wish to take their infants home at this point, they need to sign them out with the class teacher. Juniors will begin their sports day events at 1pm. Any infants who have stayed in school will watch these events with their class teacher. Please ensure that your child has appropriate PE kit and a named water bottle with them on the day.
6. **Grounds Development Day:** We're going to make a start at clearing out and developing areas in the school grounds on Friday, 30th June and would love some extra pairs of hands. Year 6 who aren't going to the Maths Challenge will be pitching in to help as well.
7. **Great London Swim:** Helena Moor has reached her target of £500 for her Docklands swim. It would be great for her (and school) if she went over her target. Please support her terrific efforts by sponsoring her at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/helena-lake-filthy-swim>.



8. **Weekly Doodlemaths champions:** This week's top doodler is Year 5 Shem, while Year 2 Bella came second and Year 2 Fynn came third. Keep on doodling!
9. **Bedding plants:** A big "Thank you" to Emily Hughes for planting up the lovely petunias in the pots at the front of the school. I'm sure you'll all agree they definitely cheer the area up. It would be lovely to have some more plants for the pots coming into school and the pots along the pond fencing. Does anyone have a few to spare?
10. **Congratulations:** Year 7, ex-pupil Amber Richards has won the Bath Schools Story Writing Competition and had her first book published. She has very kindly donated 2 copies to school (and I got one too), so all children will be able to see where their passion and efforts in writing can lead them.
11. **More Congratulations:** Well done to Sephy in Year 6, who has been invited to attend a selection day for the Olympic pistol shooting talent pathway. Sephy has been shooting at pentathlon for the last two years and she took part in the Southern Schools championships last year, where she came 10th out of 89. Our fingers are crossed for you, Sephy!
12. **School photographs:** Please ensure all orders for class photographs are in by Monday morning, 26th June.
13. **Raffle:** Raffle tickets were sent home in book bags this week. **Please** return any unwanted tickets, as we can sell them on at the fete. We will be giving a prize to the child in each class who sells the most tickets.
14. **Tennis trophy:** There is a unique opportunity to have your photo taken (for free) with Andy Murray's Wimbledon trophy as it stops at Bath Lawn Tennis Club on Monday, June 26th from 3-6pm. For more information, see the article in the Chronicle <http://www.bathchronicle.co.uk/news/bath-news/andy-murrays-wimbledon-trophy-coming-124090> It's a great opportunity for the kids and they may want to play some tennis too!
15. **Banking details:** If you would like to set up a regular donation to FOBS, the details you need to set up a standing order or just to make a one-off donation are as follows: Account name – Friends of Bathford Primary School, Account number – 24364363, Account sort code 52-21-30. A huge thank you to those of you who have already donated.



Wishing you all a lovely weekend,
Karen Sykes and the team at Bathford Primary

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, 27 th June	Sports Day – Reception/KS1 sports 10a.m., whole school/parent picnic lunch, KS2 sports 1p.m.
Wednesday, 28 th June	Class swaps a.m.
Friday, 30 th June	Year 6 maths challenge @ Beechen Cliff
Friday, 30 th June	Mufti day for fete
Friday, 30 th June	Grounds Development Day
Saturday, 1 st July	Summer fete 12 - 3
Wednesday, 5 th July	Class swaps a.m.
Tuesday, 11 th July	Class performances 1.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 12 th July	Class performances 9.30 a.m.
Thursday, 13 th July	Eli Prins Commemorative Service @ St. Swithun's Church 10a.m. (Years 5 & 6)
Friday, 14 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Concert 1.30p.m.
Friday, 14 th July	FOBS Movie Night (film to be confirmed)
Monday, 17 th July	Celebration/'Staycation' Day (Year 2 trip to Longleat)
Wednesday, 19 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service @ St. Swithun's Church 9.30a.m.