



# Term 5 Newsletter

Welcome to the end of another great term!

We have spent most of this term feeling incredibly proud to be part of the Summerhill Community. Our Year 6 children did an amazing job of preparing for, and then undertaking, their SATs assessments. While we are confident that they will have achieved very highly, the most important thing is that they have all grown into confident, articulate, successful individuals who have bright futures ahead of them. We feel privileged to have played a part, with you all, in creating that.

We've also had great feedback from people beyond our immediate community, with members of the public commenting to our team about the excellent conduct and culture of our Year 3 children on their Matthew trip, and visitors to the academy being impressed with the children's oracy and communication skills.

As always, we can only do what we do at Summerhill Academy with the fantastic support we get from all of you, so thank you to you all! Have a lovely break, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Chris Barratt, Principal

## SUMMERHILL ACADEMY FRIENDS

Be a part of the team that invents fun and creative ways to help raise funds for the school. This is a project where everyone can join in and every offer of help will be valued, no matter how large or small. Email [summerhillacademyfriends@gmail.com](mailto:summerhillacademyfriends@gmail.com) to express your interest in joining.

## ECO TIP

### De-clutter!

Why not consider donating any unwanted gifts to the Summer Fayre tombola?

Donating and re-using products helps reduce packaging waste and conserve the planet's resources.



# CAN YOU HELP?

Join Summerhill Academy Friends to help raise funds for the school, organise fun events for the kids and support the community

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## SWIMMING REMINDER YEAR 5

Please can you ensure your child is fully equipped for their swimming session and can all bags be clearly labelled with the child's name and class.

**Unfortunately, we will be unable to make calls home if pupils forget any kits/equipment.**

If you realise your child has forgotten their kit, it may be brought to the school office before 9:30am, otherwise they will not be able to participate in the session.

## YEAR 4 DRUM LESSONS!

Year 4 children have had the amazing opportunity of taking part in group Djembe drumming lessons this term, run by Bristol Beacon! They have learned that Djembe drums originate from Guinea in Africa.

They showed great skill in learning and joining together different rhythms, as well as signals for starting, stopping and breaks.



They are working towards a final performance at the end of Term 6 so watch this space!!



### SCHOOL DAY REMINDER!

| Year Group | Start | Finish |
|------------|-------|--------|
| 3 & 6      | 08:30 | 15:00  |
| 4 & 5      | 08:40 | 15:10  |

### CITY ACADEMY GAMES EVENT

This term, some Year 5 children took part at a School Games event at City Academy. This involved taking part in really fun games such as Pacman and Human Hungry Hippos, which were run by the City Academy sports leaders. It was such a fun day and as usual, our children impressed, with their excellent sportsmanship, politeness and resilience!

### EID CELEBRATION

Term 5 saw the occasion of Eid, a significant event in the Islamic calendar. To mark this special occasion, Muslim parents & family members from the school community generously brought in some delicious traditional foods for staff and some sweet treats for the children to enjoy. This provided a wonderful opportunity for students and staff to learn more about



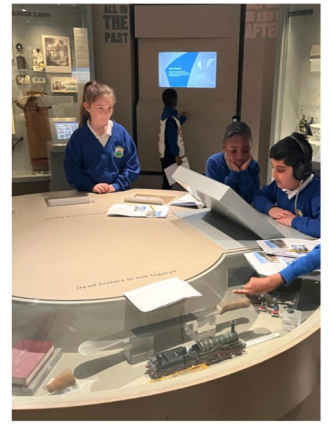
the cultural practices of our Muslim community and foster a sense of unity and inclusion within our school. Thank you for your generosity!



Well done to our exemplary Summerhill citizens and thanks to City Academy for running this event!

## YEAR 3 MATTHEW AND M-SHED TRIP

Year 3 had a fascinating time this term visiting the M-Shed and The Matthew. We were able to learn all about Bristol's history at the M-Shed and then we sailed around the harbourside on The Matthew – 527 years after John Cabot set sail for America! We also saw how navigational equipment would have been used which supported their learning as historians.



Thanks to the Year 3 team, and to all those adults who volunteered their time to support on this trip — we couldn't do it without you.



## BRISTOL SPORT FOUNDATION

**ACTIVE. HEALTHY. HAPPY.**

We deliver fun and inclusive sport and physical activity sessions in Greater Bristol to provide children with opportunities to enjoy being active and fall in love with sport.

Find out what Clubs, Hubs & Camps we have available at your school and in the local area at [www.bristolsportfoundation.org](http://www.bristolsportfoundation.org).

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## LET'S GET TALKING!

Oracy is a key skill for all children in the Summerhill community. Please encourage your child to use their oracy skills at home by discussing this question:

**If you had to live as a cartoon character, who would you pick?**



Here are some possible sentence starts you may find useful:

- 'I would live as ... because ...'
- 'I really like ..., so I would live as ...'
- 'I agree/disagree with you because ...'

## REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

- **LOST PROPERTY:** We recommend labelling your child's school uniform with their name and class, otherwise lost items cannot easily be returned to their owner.
- **MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS:** Where possible please arrange all medical, dental or optician appointments outside of school hours. Should this be completely unavoidable, please give the school as much notice as possible, and also provide us with a form of written confirmation of the appointment.
- **EARLY PICKUP:** In the event that a child is collected from school early due to a family member or carer's appointment, we would like to encourage families to use our wraparound care provisions to ensure that children are present for all key learning. Information about our Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs is available from the office.

## Term Dates

| Term 6                                |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| <b>First day of term for students</b> | <b>Monday 3rd June 2024</b>   |
| Last day of term for students         | Tuesday 23rd July 2024  |
| Non-Attendance Dates                  | <i>Friday 5th July 2024 (Conference)</i>  |
| <i>Summer Holiday</i>                 |   |
| New Academic Year 2024/25 — Term 1    |   |
| <b>First day of term for students</b> | <b>Wednesday 4th September 2024</b>   |
| Last day of term for students         | Wednesday 23rd October 2024   |
| INSET Dates                           | <i>Monday 2nd September 2024<br/>Tuesday 3rd September 2024<br/>Thursday 24th October 2024<br/>Friday 25th October 2024</i> |

Have a wonderful break!

