

New or altered dates are in Red

2021—2022

DATE	Time	Event
March		
18th	All day	Red Nose Day—dress in blue and yellow for the colours of the Ukraine. All donations to raise money for the Ukraine via Red Nose Day
Week beginning 21st	Pm—all week	Swimming Yr 4 and Yr 5
23rd	3.00pm	Year 1 Phonics meeting Gruffalo classroom or online as hybrid via team link.
25th	2.15pm	Mother's Day Service led by Gruffalo
April		
5th	Am	Easter Activities KS1
6th	Am	Easter Activities KS2
8th	2.15pm	Easter Service led by Unicorn
8th		Break Up
Term 5		
25th		Term 5 begins

This year's term dates are also shown below.

PLEASE NOTE: The LA have informed all maintained schools that the summer term shall end one day earlier than originally advertised, on Thursday 21st July 2022. This is due to the additional Bank Holiday in June which falls in the May Half Term break. Please make a note of this in your calendars.

INSET Days Monday 6th June 2022



	Before School	After school	After school
Monday			Football Progressive Sports Multi Sports Gruffalo and Griffin
Tuesday			
Wednesday		Easter craft club 3.30pm—4.30pm	
Thursday	STEM – Robotics Griffin Class 8.00am – 8.50am Year 3&4		
Friday	STEM – Robotics Phoenix Class 8.00am – 8.50am Year 5&6	KS 2 Street Dance 3.30 – 4.30 Hall	Football Progressive Sports Gruffalo and Griffin Dragon and Phoenix

Frenchay C of E Primary

Message from the Head Teacher

We have had an exciting week this week as each class visited the new building on Alexander Road. This project is now well underway and the children were able to get a good idea of how big it will be! Each class, along with their adults and some parent volunteers walked around the ground floor of the school and visited some of the classrooms, hall and library area. They were able to see the new field and proposed spiritual garden area. One particularly exciting section of the trip was to see the two different types of telescopic cranes at work lifting and moving materials around the site. A big thank you to Jason, Jack, Simon, Daisy and the rest of the BAM team for their enthusiastic tour. We cannot wait to move in!

Year One Phonics Meeting On Wednesday 23rd March we are holding a year 1 phonics meeting for parents. This is to begin at 3.00pm in Gruffalo classroom. As is the modern way now, we shall also send out a Teams meeting link for anyone who would like to join the meeting remotely.



Red Nose Day Next Friday 18th March is Comic Relief. The school council have decided they would like to raise money by having a non-uniform day. They would like us to wear yellow and blue to show our support for Ukraine.



To donate, please visit our Just [Giving page here.](#)

Readathon We would like to say a MASSIVE THANK YOU to everyone who has been reading to raise money via our Readathon. We have a total of £453 on our Just Giving page and a further £165 to add from donations given in school. This includes our £40 raised through the Dressing Up Costume Sale. Thank you for all the costume donated. This significant amount of money will allow us to buy books for reading in a range of activities such as reading at lunchtime and reading for pleasure. Your support is hugely appreciated. If anyone has sponsor money to donate please do so via the [Just Giving page found here.](#)

Play Leaders This week 6 year 5 children worked hard to learn how to be a play leader. They learnt how to teach and play a variety of games on the playground. Now their role is to teach these to the younger children during lunchtimes and hone their skills at supporting others. Something they already do brilliantly well. Well done to Tom, Ivy, Nula, Hugo, Finley and Leo. We know you will be amazing!

Swimming For those in Year 4 and 5, don't forget swimming begins on the week of the 21st March. Remember your swimming kits.

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 School Website <http://www.frenchayprimary.co.uk/>

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Last Thursday was great fun, celebrating World Book Day's 25th Anniversary. The outfits worn by the children and staff were fantastic and lots of fun was had by all. The children used the poem 'I Asked a Boy Who Cannot See' as the basis for their learning that day. This provoked their poetic sides and some impressive pieces of writing were produced. Below Peter's poem about green.

Green

Green is a colour,
Happy not sad
Green is a colour that cannot be bad.

Green is silence, quiet and still.
Green is not loud like a hammer or drill.

Green tastes like vegetables
Delicious and yummy
It is a good feeling in your tummy.

Green is wildlife.
Calm and in peace.
Green is lovely and does love the geese.

By Peter A, Phoenix Class



We all also enjoyed our Bedtime Stories, with hot chocolate, marshmallows and a biscuit from the FOFS. Thanks to them for their hard work that evening as well as all the staff who joined the children to read some of their favourite stories.

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Learning in Gruffalo Class

In Gruffalo Class we have had a busy term packed full of learning and fun. During our topic, we have been learning about Frenchay and Bristol. We enjoyed a tour around Frenchay with Griffin class led by the previous head teacher, Mrs Throne, who had many old and new stories to share with us. Did you know we have our own Frenchay dragon? Miss Pickering found a video clip of a dragon flying over our playground! This inspired us to read many dragon themed stories and to write about dragons during our literacy lessons. We are now experts in dragons and Bristol Zoo even came to us for help with their own dragon visitor.

During art week, the children amazed the adults with how quickly they learnt how to use the Modroc. As you can see from the picture some of us got more on ourselves than on our finished products! They carefully planned their designs and are very proud of the finished results. There will be a grand reveal during our Mother's Day service in a few weeks time. We look forward to seeing you there!



The excitement has continued since returning from our half-term holiday. We really enjoyed dressing up for Word Book Day and sharing our love of reading together. A highlight for Miss Pickering was us all returning to school for bedtime stories in which we curled up next to the fire and enjoyed hot chocolate and biscuits!

This week we enjoyed visiting the new school which looks amazing. We decided to write thank-you letters to BAM and Mrs Marks to thank them for all their hard work. We can't wait to be in the new school!

Value for term 5: Forgiveness



Pause for Thought

This week: Do you find it difficult to forgive someone when they have done something wrong to you?

Taken from Hebrews 10:24-25
'And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds'