

# PARK PRESS



Summer 2016

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# Reception



We have been learning all about different animals. We enjoyed our trip to the zoo so much we made our very own Park Primary School zoo! I hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed making it! A big thank you to everyone that managed to come along.



We had great fun reading The Naughty Bus story this term. We went on our very own Naughty Bus adventure around the school. Have a look at some of our pictures we have taken. We then wrote our own Naughty Bus stories and had lots of fun with the baked beans in our black trays!



We had so much fun at our first sports day! We worked together and had fun cheering on our teams. We especially enjoyed seeing the grown ups joining in at the end!

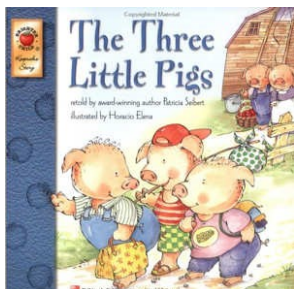


We hope you all have a lovely summer and thank you for all of your support throughout the year.

The Reception Team.



# Year One



## Well Done 1K!

1K produced a fantastic assembly last term based around the class topic 'Tell me a story'. We enjoyed exploring lots of fantastic fairy tales and traditional stories. We had lots of fun coming to school dressed up as our favourite fairy tale character.

## Here comes the sun!

As part of our 'Here comes the sun' topic we have been busy creating our own pirate treasure maps and have had great fun dressing up as pirates.



## Maths

WOW! We have learnt so much in maths this year and the last 2 terms have been no different. We have continued our learning using concrete equipment and pictorial representations and can multiply, divide, add and subtract using them.



A unicorn came to visit! Year 1 were lucky enough to have a special visit from a unicorn and her fairy owner. We had such a fun time with them.

## KS1 Sports Day.

Year 1 really enjoyed experiencing all of the different sporting activities during our sunny sports day. Our teachers were amazed by some of our sporting skills and we enjoyed competing against one another.

## The Life Education Bus

Last term the life education bus came in with Gerald the Giraffe to teach us all about healthy eating and keeping our bodies fit and healthy. We learnt about the different food groups and how to eat a balanced diet.



## English

Last term we were busy re-writing a range of different fairy tales and creating our own character descriptions. We had lots of fun acting out stories to an audience and putting on different character voices. This term in English we have been writing letters to pirates, describing our very own treasure chest and reading the Mr Grinnling stories.



## Outdoor revamp

Year 1 want more colour in our outdoor area so our mission with the help of parents and volunteers is to paint the sheds, furniture and add some bunting to spruce it all up.



Well done Year 1 for a great fun filled year! We wish you all the very best of luck as your move up to year 2.

# Year Two

## SS Great Britain

The Year 2 trip to the SS Great Britain was a great success! All of the children enjoyed exploring the ship and seeing what the first class and third class facilities were like and of course, one of the highlights of their day was the trip to the gift shop!



## Olympics Week

During Olympic week the children learned so many amazing facts about both the geography of their countries and their past success in the Olympics. It was great to see all of their work at the Olympic fair and the helpers on the stalls were so knowledgeable!

There was chocolate and cheese tasting in 2A for Switzerland, Haka dancing in 2R for New Zealand and aboriginal painting in 2W for Australia!



## 2W Class Assembly

2W delivered a fantastic class assembly about Victorian Britain and the life of Isambard Kingdom Brunel. Special mention has to go to Morgan Jones, who played the part of Brunel perfectly! All of the Year 2 children loved the topic and I think it's safe to say we've got lots of wannabe engineers now!



## Warburtons Workshop

Year 2 were treated to a visit from Warburton's bread company where they were given a masterclass in how to make a delicious healthy sandwich!



## THANK YOU!

Once again we would like to thank all parents for your support throughout the year. It has been a fantastic year and we hope all of you have a lovely summer holidays! We look forward to seeing the children in September as they begin their journey into KS2!



# Year Three

3M thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Celts and the Romans! They were even more thrilled to participate in their class assembly which was a huge success. Everyone performed their lines beautifully and were fantastic role models for the rest of the school. 3M would like to thank all of you who attended as they were thrilled to see so many friends and family watching them.



## Olympics Week!

Wow what a week this was! 3J learnt so much about Nigeria, 3M were swotting up on Fiji and 3H become a lot wiser about India. Tasting different foods from these countries was a real treat! The year 3 children did a fantastic job representing their countries on their specific stall, whilst we had the Olympic fair.



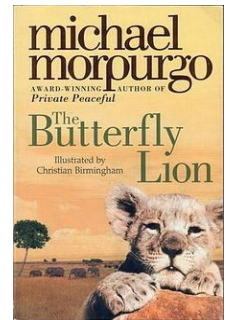
Year 3 have been working hard this term towards creating their own persuasive travel brochures. Have they persuaded you to visit Italy yet? They definitely have persuaded us with their excellent vocabulary and use of exaggeration!

On the 16<sup>th</sup> May Year 3 had a fantastic day out to the Corinium Museum in Cirencester. The children were fascinated by all the ancient remains, particularly the enormous mosaics which were displayed! Dressing up in realistic Roman clothes was definitely a highlight of the trip as well as trying to play some of the Roman board games! Year 3 couldn't believe how posh the Roman homes were compared to the Celts and were amazed to see the underfloor heating which were placed on the large raised pillars. There was so much to see and do that we could have stayed another day! All children were a huge asset to the school and thoroughly enjoyed their day out!



# Year Four

During Term 5 our topic was 'The Butterfly Lion'. This is a story by Michael Morpurgo about a young boy who grows up in Africa and acquires a white lion, who he is then sadly forced to give up when he moves to England. It follows his journey as a soldier during WW1, and eventually getting his white lion back. We really enjoyed reading this story and produced some wonderful writing about protecting white lions in the wild, and imagining life as a WW1 soldier.



During Olympics week, 4A focused on all things Canada, 4P learned a lot about Trinidad and Tobago, while 4W celebrated Mexico! We really enjoyed the week, particularly when we got to make some traditional foods from these countries! 4A's Canadian Nanaimo bars were a huge hit at the Olympics fair - several teachers wanted the recipe! 4P would also like to thank Mrs Brewster for helping them cook some Trinidadian curries - they were absolutely delicious!



In Term 6 our topic has been Invaders and Settlers! We kicked off this exciting unit of work with a visit to the Bristol Hippodrome to see 'Incredible Invaders' by Horrible Histories. The performance was absolutely fantastic! Did you know that many places in the UK got their names from our Saxon and Viking invaders? We all learned a lot and really enjoyed it, especially when we had to wear our 3D glasses. All the teachers in the room had to sing, which the children also really enjoyed. On this day we also visited MShed to learn about the history of Bristol, just as we have been learning about the history of England.



Towards the end of the year, all children in Year 4 took part in a recorder performance to the rest of the school. They played nine different songs having memorised the music! They worked really hard all year to learn the songs and played them beautifully! Well done Year 4!



This term we have also been learning about the story of Beowulf, a courageous warrior, and his battles against vicious beasts, such as Grendel. We finished the term by creating a fantastic tapestry telling brave Beowulf's story, inspired by the Bayeux tapestry. We used an array of different fabrics and materials, and produced a really lovely final tapestry as a year group. It was a perfect way to end a wonderful year in Year 4.



# Year Five



## Olympics week

To celebrate the Olympics, Year 5 have used term 6 to focus on learning a bit about the history of the games. We have also been looking at specific countries, each class has chosen country to focus on. This all came together nicely when we held an Olympic fair in June. Each country set up a stall in the hall showcasing a bit about it. The children were able to visit each country, learn a bit about it and even try some of the food and drink from that specific country. The 'Jamaican Lime and Avocado ice cream' and the 'Kenyan exotic fruit smoothies' were a massive hit and went down very well indeed.



## Science

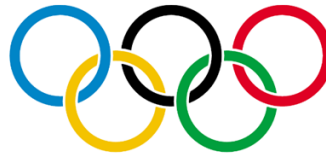
During Term 5 we looked at healthy living. Year 5 looked at testing our heart rate and the different effects of exercise on our hearts. We talked a lot about how the heart works and what happens when we exercise. When it came to the experiment 5 exercises were carried out, between each exercise we made sure our heart rate returned to its resting rate. The children loved taking part in the variety of exercises and some good results were discovered. We now know which exercises will have more of an impact on our heart muscle.



This is an ancient woodland with gnarled, mossy trees and dark paths leading who knows where! It has been used as the setting for lots of TV programmes like Merlin and episodes of Doctor Who. Have a look at our photos and see if you recognise it if you're a fan of those series! When we went into the wood we enjoyed finding things like the spooky tree (it had a witches face in the bark if you looked hard enough), a magic door and a secret bench (most of us found it so it wasn't that secret!) The little bridge was really scary because it seemed so narrow and high up. There were even lots of winding paths that led to dead ends that had a mossy area or a cave at the end. We got lost working our way through the wood, exploring all the little nooks and crannies! There was an indoor and outdoor maze, a playground and some animals to make friends with in the time we had left. We had such an energetic time, some people even went to sleep on the coach driving back to school!

# Year Six

This year has provided many opportunities for the children to explore and discover. Read all about our eventful year!



In celebration of the 2016 Olympics in Rio, the Park Primary celebrated by dedicating a whole week to the event! In year six we looked at Thailand, America, and Brazil.

The children really loved learning about different countries and how they differ from the UK. We made and tasted exotic foods, learned some of the language and much, much more! The week was finished off with a parade around the school with every year group.

Our time with the current year six cohort is coming to an end so it will soon be time to wave them onto their journey into secondary school – a very exciting adventure! Although we only have a few weeks left, the children have remained hard working, putting an impressive amount of effort into the year six concert – The Lion King. Well done Year 6!

Year six have been fortunate enough to experience a STEM workshop (science, technology, engineering and maths) and spend the day building and programming robots to move, dance, talk and much more. This really helped the children see the importance in learning and the job possibilities that are available to them!



Only four weeks left with our fantastic year six children! As their teachers, we are extremely proud of how far they have come and hope that they have enjoyed their final year in primary school. Our residential trip to Mill on the Brue will be a brilliant chance for children to break out of their comfort zones before secondary school! The children who are taking part in activity week will also have a fun-filled week with Mrs Whitney!

A special thank you to Sainsbury's Local (High Street) and Pizza GoGo (Weston's Way) for generously providing food for our end of year leavers party, and to Brian Steele at Bristol Carpets for providing the red carpet – it is greatly appreciated by all!



# Meet the teacher

Why did you become a teacher?

I love working with children, no day is ever the same!

What is your favourite food?

I love all types of Mexican food, or spaghetti carbonara.

What sort of music do you like?

I like most music I can sing and dance along to, but my class will tell you I'm a terrible singer!

What is your favourite film and why?

Difficult question! Anything with Leonardo DiCaprio or the Harry Potter franchise!

What do you like to do at the weekend?

I like to spend time with my friends and family. I also like walking my dog.

Where do you like to go on holiday?

Ibiza! Anywhere hot, where I can lie on the beach and do nothing while I sunbathe.

Finally give 5 words that sum you up

Happy, kind, loyal, organised, caring.

Thanks Miss Cumming!  
We look forward to seeing you  
next year!







Year Six made it to the top of the world (well that's how it felt),

**There are fairies and monsters living in the woods!** The children have been making homes for the fairies.



In March this year The Park Primary School were awarded a grant from Tesco's **'Bags of Help'**. The grants are awarded to Outdoor Community Projects. We have been working hard to build the equipment that we have been able to buy due to the grant. Year 5 built benches, Year 6 moved fencing and built carts and the Year 4s worked hard moving bark and play sand and putting together the wheelbarrow. We are very pleased with our new Outdoor Classroom on the Key Stage One grass and the new house for the pizza oven. Mr Rowsell was the king of pizza making at our 'Outdoor Learning Celebration' after school. Thank you to everyone that came along to support the work that we do.

### Other News:

- Years Four and Five have been horticultural scientists this term. Year Five have been involved in carefully growing two sets of rocket seeds. One set of seeds has been to the International Space Centre with **Tim Peake** and the other stayed on earth. The experiment was to see if there is a difference in their ability to germinate on earth.
- We won a prize from **The Young Person's Trust for the Environment**, Total Green Awards for the Pizza Oven.
- For more photos and the BLOG take a look at [www.wildurban.org](http://www.wildurban.org)







when they walked up Kelston Hill Top during Activity Week.



Alisha and Chelsea have been **pond dipping** and found our resident **newts**! They are very popular with all the children.



David Attenborough would be proud of the **wildlife films** that we made using Wildlife Trust equipment. The children, researched, scripted and filmed different habitats around the school.

### Can you help?

Would you like to help the children in the garden? If you have experience or would like to learn about growing plants then we would love your input into our school community. Please contact school (01454 866536) or talk to Ms Whitney if you would be interested.



Reception children had great fun making **seed heads** and **recycling milk cartons** to make hanging baskets for their playground.

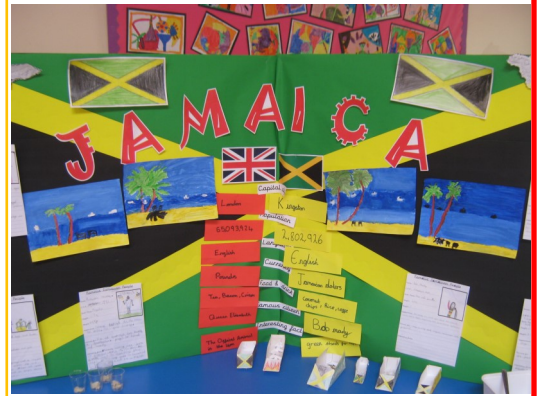


**Hapa Zome** is a traditional craft when flowers are hammered into cloth. The flower's colour and pattern stains the cloth. We collected the flowers from the churchyard.





# Olympics Week



Olympics Week was a huge success! Everyone really enjoyed themselves and worked so hard. All classes did a wonderful job of showcasing all that they had learned about their countries! The artwork was beautiful and there was some delicious food to try! Well done Park Primary!





# The Summer Fair



What a fantastic, fun-filled summer fair we had this year! There were some wonderful activities and stalls! The teacher gunging was particularly popular!



A massive thank you to the friends of the school who gave up their free time to organise such a fantastic fair. It was a brilliant day, everyone had lots of fun, and we all really appreciate the effort you put in. Thank you!



# Sports

Mr Jelf, Mr Wintle and Miss Maddalena are pleased to announce the June edition of the Park Press Sports Bulletin. Park Primary have again had a jam packed sporting schedule having already taken part in a number of events such as Tri-Golf, Pop Lacrosse, Netball, Tennis, Kabaddi and KS1 Multi-sports festival and The Annual Rainbow run.

## Year 3 /4 Level 2 Tri-Golf competition

On Friday 17th June children from Year 2, 3 and 4 took part in The Grange annual Level 2 Tri-Golf competition. We as a school have been very successful in this sport over the last two years winning the level 2 and level 3 games competition at Bath University. Again a top two place would see us enter the level 3 competition on Wednesday 8th July.

The team (Sebastian Pemberton, Abigail Lamb, Harvey and Zak Carter, Riley Sanok, Gary McMurray, Jennifer Smith, Erin Slade, Eloise Rambridge and Holly Jones) took part in a series of putting and chipping games with the team trying to score as many points as they can in each game.

The children again excelled in this competition and came first for a third year in a row coming over 200 points in front of the nearest school. The children will head off to Bath University on Wednesday 8th July to defend their crown for a third successive year!

## KS1 Multi-Sports Festival

Children from the whole of year 2 took part in the annual Parkwall KS1 Multi-Sports festival ran by The Grange. Children split in their class took part in showing off their skills in a number of team based challenges.

Games consisted of number of relay based games with skills such as dribbling, throwing and sprinting involved. Each team attempted to score as high as they can on each game.

When the games were finished children were gathered in the school hall for the results. 8 teams from various schools took part in the event. Out of the 3 classes from the Park, 2R came in 6th place, 2A came in second place (Runners-up) but 2W were the winners! Well done to all children in 2W on bringing the trophy back to our school!



# Bulletin

## Netball

The netball team have had a busy few weeks with matches against Hanham Abbots and two against Beacon Rise. They had an incredible win over St. Anne's with the result finishing 10 – 3! I think every member of the team contributed to scoring a few goals each and I was particularly proud of those children who were really anxious to shoot! A close match against Hanham Abbots saw us losing by 2 but then we came back in vengeance when we beat Beacon Rise's A team 6-4! I think I can speak on behalf of all spectators they have been a phenomenal team to watch this season! Without fail, each week they train hard and support each other in the team in order to be as successful as they have been! It has been an absolute pleasure to coach the netball team and particular thanks go to the year 6's for helping to support the year 5s this year.

Keep up the great work!

## Year 4 Kabaddi

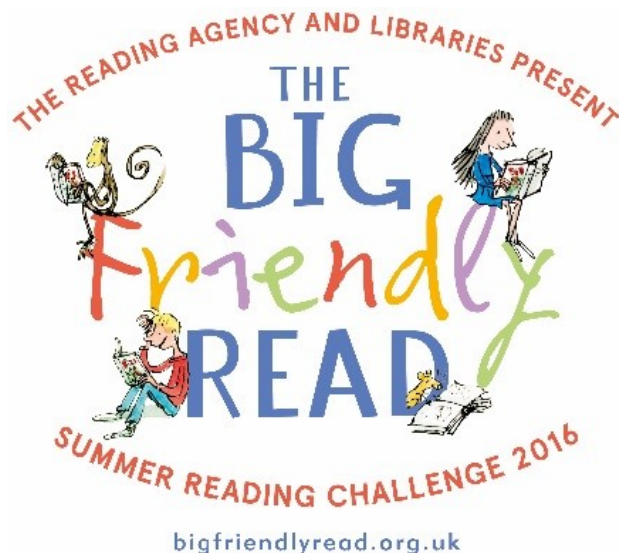
Eight children from Year 4 took part in the game Kabaddi at The Grange school on Wednesday 22nd June. For those that don't know Kabaddi originated from India and is a fun but tactical team tagging game. Children require to enter the teams area and tag a member of the opposing team, once a tag has been made the tagger has the run back to their own area without being tagged back.

After playing each of the 5 teams involved and playing a lot of great games we came a very respectable 2nd place. Well done to all the children involved!

## The Rainbow Run

This year's Rainbow Run was a great success! Despite rain earlier in the day, the weather dried up just in time and everyone really enjoyed themselves and had a lot of fun! We raised a fantastic amount of money for St. Peter's Hospice and had at least 150 children running! We are very grateful for all your contributions, and would also like to thank the parents and staff who helped.

# The Big Friendly Read



[bigfriendlyread.org.uk](http://bigfriendlyread.org.uk)

## **Help your child keep their reading skills during the summer!**

It's easier than you think, just visit your library with your child this summer and join in The Big Friendly Read! All they have to do is read six library books of their choice over the summer, gathering special Big Friendly Read collector cards from some of Roald Dahl's best-loved stories along the way, to get their medal and certificate.

More than 6,700 children took part in Record Breakers last summer. A parent of children who did said "My three children loved the reading challenge. I think it is a fantastic idea and gets kids reading through the summer."

The Big Friendly Read, Summer Reading Challenge 2016 begins in all South Gloucestershire Libraries on 16 July and runs until 10 September.

It's fun, it's friendly and best of all, it's totally FREE.

Libraries are also holding funbursting free activities throughout the holiday to help children complete the challenge. Visit your local library or log on to [www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/libraries) to find out more.

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For even more fantabulous fun visit [www.bigfriendlyread.org.uk](http://www.bigfriendlyread.org.uk).



# Gifted and Talented

## Quiz Club Competition



A few weeks ago 4 children attended Kings Forest Primary School in order to take part in a general knowledge quiz. Vince, Josh, Ewan and Oliver competed against several other school and fought a very tough battle to see who would win overall. There were many challenging questions along the way but the boys worked really hard as a team and should be very proud of their score. Their behaviour was fantastic and a real credit to the school. Well done for taking part and to the parents for their support.

Here's to next year !

## Writing competition and Spelling Bee!

Last week 3 children attended Hanham Abbots Primary School in order to take part in a writing competition. Jennifer, Annika and Amy were selected from lots of wonderful entries from the Park and chosen to represent the school. There were lots of other school taking part and the competition was tough. Each child took it in turn to read out their stories which was very brave of them and they read with clear voices and fantastic confidence. Although we didn't win overall, the children were impeccably behaved and should feel very proud of themselves.



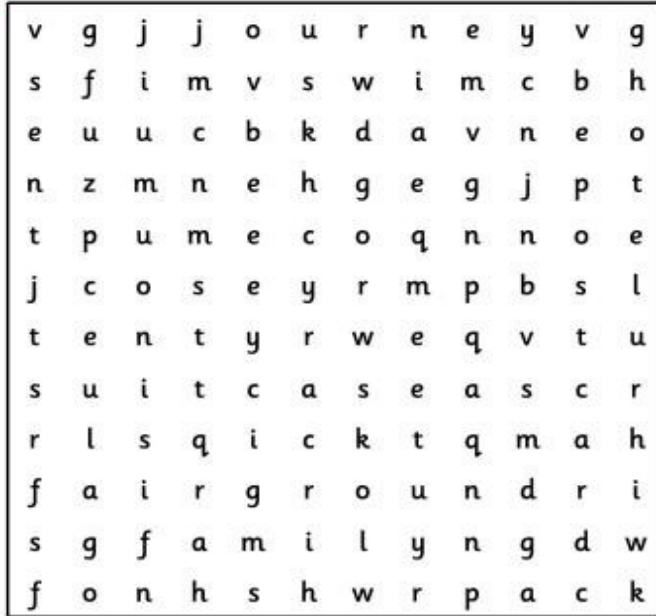
Four children are also going to Mangostfield Primary school to take part in a spelling bee competition. Connie, Amy, Ben and Bethany fantastic spellers and so we hope to do well in this forthcoming competition against others schools.

Good luck!

# Games and Puzzles



## Summer Holidays Word Search

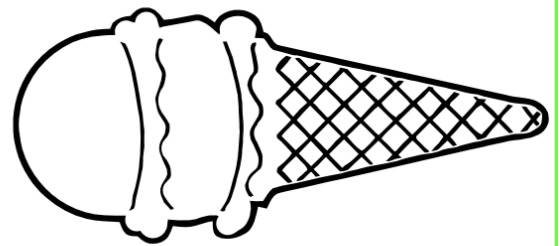


fairground	family	fun	hotel
icecream	journey	pack	postcard
suitcase	summer	swim	tent

## Summer Sudoku

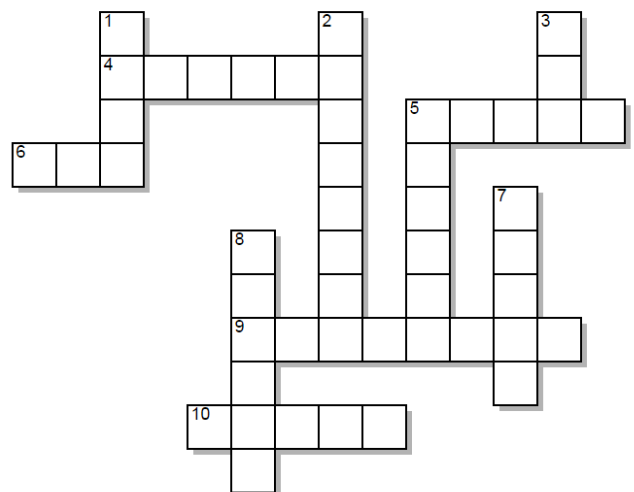
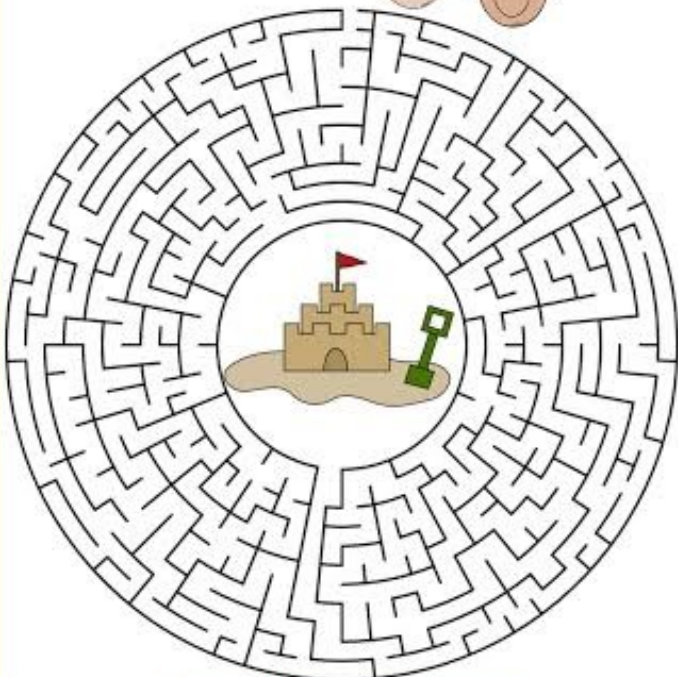


Every row, column and mini-grid must contain the letters B U C K E T.  
Don't guess - use logic



## SUMMER MAZE

Help the kids get through the maze and find their sand castle.



### ACROSS

- 4 Orange
- 5 Sunny
- 6 God
- 9 Cheerful
- 10 Bible



### DOWN

- 1 Food
- 2 Lemonade
- 3 Fun
- 5 Summer
- 7 Jesus
- 8 Picnic



# Summer fruit drizzle cake

## INGREDIENTS:

- 2 large eggs
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 175g summer fruits (stoned and diced weight)
- 140g granulated sugar
- 1-2 tbsp. citrus juice—lemon, lime or orange
- 175g very soft butter, plus  
extra for greasing
- 175g golden caster sugar
- 250g self-raising flour



## METHOD:

1. Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas mark 4.
2. Grease a 900g/2lb loaf tin and line the base and ends with a long strip of baking parchment.
3. Put the butter, golden caster sugar, flour and vanilla extract into a large bowl and beat with an electric hand mixer for 5 minutes until pale and creamy—the mixture will be very thick.
4. Spread one third of the cake mix into the tin, then scatter over 50g of the summer fruits.
5. Carefully, dot and spread another third of the cake mix on top, and scatter with another 50g of the fruit.
6. Finally, dot the rest of the cake mix over and gently spread with the back of a spoon.
7. Bake for one hour, until an inserted skewer comes out clean.
8. Remove cake from oven. Poke the cake all over with a skewer.
9. Put the remaining 75g of fruit into a bowl with granulated sugar. Stir in 1 tbsp. of the citrus juice first with a fork, mashing a little of the fruit as you go.
10. Spoon the fruit and sugar mixture over the cake.. Leave the cake in the tin until it is cool and the topping is set and crisp.

# Children's University

We are delighted to announce that we have our first two graduates from Children's University. Paige Cholefko (5J) and Jack Cholefko (1G) have both accrued enough additional learning hours in their CU passports to receive their Bronze award. They were presented with this award in a wonderful ceremony at The Bristol Cathedral on Friday 15th July. It was a special afternoon and we are incredibly proud of them both. They even met the Lord Mayor! Congratulations Paige and Jack!

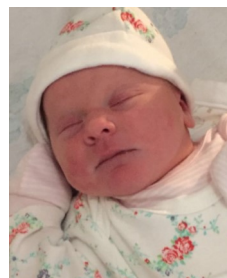


# Announcements

**\*C\*O\*N\*G\*R\*A\*T\*U\*L\*A\*T\*I\*O\*N\*S\***

to **Mrs Price** on the birth of her baby girl, Mila Elizabeth Ava Price, early in the morning on Saturday 4th June,

and to **Miss Winter** on the birth of her baby girl, Natalie Rebecca



Pierce, on Monday 11th July.

**\*G\*O\*O\*D\*L\*U\*C\*K\***

to **Miss Aitken, Mrs Thompson and Mrs Palmer**

who are leaving us for pastures new. We wish you all the best for your future careers.

