

MORE FOR YOU.....

South Bath Schools working together 'enabling primary children in Bath to reach their potential'

Combe Down CofE Primary
Freshford CofE Primary
Moorlands Infant
Moorlands Junior
Oldfield Park Infant
Oldfield Park Junior
St Andrew's CofE Primary
St Martin's Garden Primary
St Michael's CofE Junior
Southdown Infant
Southdown Junior
Widcombe CofE Junior

South Bath Schools
Extending School
Provision

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Dear Parents/Carers

It is hard to imagine but we are already half-way through the 2009/10 academic year! As a Cluster of Schools we are working hard to put on events or offer services that both you and your children will benefit from. If you have any ideas or requests please contact me, on the email above, or through your own school's Head Teacher.

Thank you

Cindy Harris, Extended Services Co-ordinator.

One in five families MISS OUT on their FREE lunch!

One in five of parents on a low income are not checking if they are entitled to free school meals and could be throwing away food worth £700 a year for their family, according to the School Food trust.

If you are entitled to free school meals it is important that you register for them, even if your child does not have them, as free school meals entitlement can have other benefits for your family and your school. IF YOU THINK YOU MAYBE ENTITLED - PLEASE APPLY. For more details please contact Bath and North East Somerset Student support on **01226 394319** or ask at your school office.

'INSPIRING ENGINEERS' Greenpower Goblin Car kit project

FANTASTIC NEWS! - I have been able to secure some funding for this exciting project aimed at Year 5 and 6 pupils. Three schools initially will be involved – St Martins Garden Primary, Southdown Junior School and St Andrews Primary. This is an ambitious project for primary schools, unfortunately, some schools could not get involved at the present time because of lack of extra funding and/or space to build/store the car.

This project requires pupils to build and then race their own kit car. This will be an after-school club for 10/15 Year 5/6 pupils. They will work together to design, build and race their own school car. Bath University Mechanical Engineering students will be supporting each club with their car. This club will not formally start until September 2010 but I wanted parents to be aware of the sorts of thing we are trying to get started.

I am working to secure extra funding so that more schools can participate. I am hoping that parents will get involved and support this project as well as local businesses and members of the community. If you think you could help support this project for your school, please contact me on the telephone number above. For more information on the Kit Car go to www.greenpower.co.uk Thank you.

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For information on all types of family related topics, parent support advice and up to date information on child care in your area contact the Family Information Service, FREE on 0800 073 1214 or logon to www.1bigdatabase.org.uk
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***** KEEP THIS SHEET IN A SAFE PLACE ~ YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOUR FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER MAY NEED THIS INFORMATION *****

February 2010 half-term events

Museums - There are lots of exciting events on offer this February half term for children and families in the museums of Bath and North East Somerset. You can pick up a leaflet at your local library, tourist information, most Council reception points and the museums taking part, or please visit www.bathnes.gov.uk/heritageevents for more information.

Holiday Clubs - www.1bigdatabase.org.uk and the Family Information Services 0800 073 1214 have information on all the Holiday clubs running in the February half-term.

Kiddywinks run a holiday club at the 'The Hive' at **Oldfield Park Infants School**, Dorset Close, Bath from Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2010.

Kiddywinks offer high quality care and stimulating play opportunities for up to 24 children per day aged 4 to 9 (reception to Y4). Children need to be provided with a packed lunch but all other snacks including breakfast will be provided. £26 per day: 8.30am to 6pm (an 8.00am start can be arranged so please let us know). Please contact 07870 154142/07852 908 829 for more details.

YMCA run a holiday club at **Moorlands Infant School** – 8.00 am – 5.30 pm. £18 per day. Contact: 01225 314032 7.30 - 9.00 a.m. and 3.00 - 6.00 p.m. or 07833326119 7.30am - 6.00 p.m. Monday to Friday

St Martins Garden Childrens' Centre provide seasonal child care. Phone 01225 396002 for more details. ****STOP PRESS**** Look out for information coming soon on an up and coming holiday club being run by St Martins Garden Childrens' Centre

Bath Sports and Leisure Centre run Holiday camps suitable for pupils aged 8 – 13, where they can try out a range of great activities such as ball games, floats swimming, roller skating and much more. Phone 01225 486905 for more details. Full day cost £12/£10 members, half day session £7/£6 members.

Bath Sports and Leisure Centre also run Leisure pool with water slides sessions and intensive swimming courses during the half-term holiday.

Events - www.bathfestivals.org.uk have information on all sorts of events going on in and around Bath (all year round)

If you do not have access to the internet at home, it is available in your local library or you can contact UK Online Centres on 0800 921 129 and they maybe able to help you access technology or use computers more effectively.