



# SEFTON PARK

## TERM 5 NEWSLETTER WEEK 1

Welcome back! We hope you all had a really lovely Easter break and found some time to relax and enjoy being together as a family. It has been so nice to return to school this week with the sun shining and the children full of smiles, there's a real sense that summer is on its way!

This term may be short, possibly one of the shortest on record, with four days already behind us and just 19 teaching days to go, but it certainly isn't lacking in excitement. There is lots packed in over the next few weeks, and plenty for everyone to look forward to.

Our Year 6 pupils have an important and memorable few weeks ahead. Next week they visit the Bristol Zoo Project followed by their SATs that begin in the week starting Monday 11th May, and we are incredibly proud of how hard they have been working in the lead up to this. Straight after SATs, they'll be heading off on their residential camp, a well-deserved chance to relax, have fun and make some brilliant memories together.

We also have some fantastic whole-school events coming up. On Friday 8th May, we'll be hosting the PTA Cake and Plant Sale, alongside the Year 3 and 4 Sports Day. It should be a great day, and we'll be sharing more details with you very soon, so please keep an eye out for that.

Later in the term, we're really pleased to be welcoming a number of Year 10 students from schools across the city for their work experience placements. Many of them are former Sefton Park pupils, and it's always such a pleasure to see them return. It really speaks to the strong sense of belonging that stays with them long after they've left.

Even though it's a short term, it's shaping up to be a brilliant one, full of energy, opportunity and lots of special moments. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

We're looking forward to a great few weeks ahead together.

Best wishes

Alex



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We would also like to ask for your help in spreading the word about our nursery. Word of mouth is, without doubt, the most powerful and trusted form of recommendation, and there is nothing more valuable than families sharing positive experiences with friends, neighbours and the wider community. Across the city, pupil numbers are falling, and it is increasingly important that we ensure our nursery remains full, vibrant and sustainable. A strong nursery supports not only our youngest children, but the wider school community too, helping us continue to offer the high-quality provision and opportunities that families value.

If you know anyone with a child of nursery age, please do encourage them to consider Sefton Park and to get in touch with us. Your support really does make a difference, and we are very grateful for your help.



# Sefton Park School Nursery



**Applications now open for September 2026**

Come and visit us. Arrange a tour and see how, *'Staff spot, nurture and develop pupils' talents.'*

For more information call the school office on **0117 377 3290** or email [office@seftonparkschools.co.uk](mailto:office@seftonparkschools.co.uk)

[Apply online](#)

For 3-4 year olds

15 & 30 hours funded places

Open 8:30am-3:00pm (Mon - Fri) Additional hours of wraparound care available





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## SPIRIT OF SWANA

A full day of free workshops, live music, DJ's, Food, Film and Crafts for all ages celebrating the SWANA (South West Asia and North Africa) region this Bank Holiday!

When: Monday, 4th May

Where: Trinity Arts, BS2 ONW

## EVENT PROGRAMME

Workshops

1:15-1:35 – Family percussion and song workshop. Bring your instruments if you have them!

1:35-1:55 – Family dance workshop

1:55-2pm – Family jam, bringing song and dance together

2:15-2:45pm – Adult percussion and song workshop. Bring your instruments if you have them!

2:45-3:15 – Adult dance workshop

3:15-3:30 – Jam session, bringing song and dance together

## CRAFTS

1-4pm Flag Making

DJs & Performances

2:30pm – Taste of SWANA + DJ's

4pm – Ayse Roza (live)

5pm – Özcan Ateş (live)

6pm – Vilks Collective (live)

7pm – Dunya (DJ Set)

7:45pm – Short Films from Iran, by Vilks Collective + Q&A

9pm – Finish





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## Have you considered fostering?

Children in Bristol urgently need foster homes. By fostering with Bristol City Council, you help children stay close to their friends and family. Every child deserves a safe and welcoming home to help them reach their potential.

There's no typical foster family – just as there's no typical child.

You don't need to be married, own your own house, or have specific qualifications to be a foster carer. We welcome people of any ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age and religion.

In return for your time and care, you'll receive:

- A weekly allowance per child plus weekly payments
- Dedicated support and regular contact with other foster carers
- Free access to Bristol City Council gyms and other citywide discounts

"Fostering is the best thing we have ever done and brings us joy and fun every single day." BCC foster carer.

Want to know more or have an informal chat with our team?

Email: [fostering@bristol.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@bristol.gov.uk)

Call: 0117 353 4200





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## Upcoming Events

| Event                         | Date/Time                           |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Year 6 Bristol Zoo Trip       | Wednesday 29th April                |
| PTA Cake & Plant Sale         | Friday 8th May (3:00pm)             |
| Year 3/4 Sports Day           | Friday 8th May                      |
| Year 6 SATs Week              | Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May |
| Year 6 Camp                   | Monday 18th May - Friday 22nd May   |
| Year 5 Shakespeare Production | Thursday 21st May (6:00pm)          |



# SEFTON PARK

## Term Dates

| Term | Starts                      | Ends                       | INSET Days                  |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5    | 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 | 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026  | 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 |
| 6    | 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026   | 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2026 | 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2026  |

Please take note of the changed INSET Day date for Term 6.





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## Term Dates 2026/27

| Term | Starts                                     | Ends                                     | INSET Days  |
|------|--|--|---|
| 1    | Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>September 2026 | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup><br>October 2026  | Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>September &<br>Friday 4 <sup>th</sup><br>September      |
| 2    | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>November 2026    | Friday 18 <sup>th</sup><br>December 2026 | N/A   |
| 3    | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup><br>January 2027     | Friday 12 <sup>th</sup><br>February 2027 | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup><br>January 2027 &<br>Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup><br>January 2027 |
| 4    | Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>February 2027   | Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March<br>2027    | N/A   |
| 5    | Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April<br>2027      | Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May<br>2027      | N/A   |
| 6    | Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June<br>2027        | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July<br>2027     | Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> June<br>2027  |

