
Newsletter 3

Dear Parents

We have very nearly got to the end of term 1! I must say that the pupils across the school have been working so incredibly hard and teachers are impressed with much of the work produced. I would also like to share that for a variety of reasons, like many schools locally and nationally, we have been dealing with absences of staff both teaching, support and lunchtime. The staff in school have done an amazing job of doubling up some roles to try and keep everything functioning to the best of their ability. It has been a very challenging term for us in school and I know that parents will join me in expressing thanks to our staff. Hopefully after the break we will return to our full complement.

We have reached the end of this term's value of FORGIVENESS. Pupils have been learning about the power of forgiveness in collective worship through stories, Bible stories and people who have exercised feats of forgiveness like Nelson Mandela. Next term we will be exploring the value of happiness.

Friday 22nd October is a non-school uniform day, so please bring in £1 for the PTA and next term starts on Tuesday 2nd November as we have a teacher INSET day exploring pedagogy on Monday.

Have a good rest next week and stay kind, stay safe.

Harvest

As mentioned before, we will be holding an in-school harvest celebration on Friday this week within our collective worship time. Although we will not be holding a church service as we did pre-covid, we are still celebrating it and will be holding a collection of food which will be donated to the Sisters of the Church project in Bristol, for those less fortunate than ourselves.



Please bring in a tin tomorrow and we will deliver the food after the break.

Rice Pudding, Custard, tinned Fruit, tinned Vegetables, Baked Beans, Soup, Meat, Fish, Macaroni Cheese.

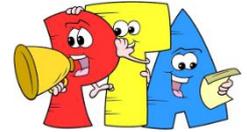
Also - Cereal, Rice, Pasta, Tin Openers, Dog Food, Long Life Milk.

Thank you so much for your support with this!

News from the PTA

Thank you to those who came to the first monthly PTA meeting on Monday 11th October kindly hosted by the Prince of Waterloo (POW). Next month's meeting will take place on **Monday 8 November 2021_ 2pm at POW**

Please do try and come along and see where you can offer support for fundraising events.



Dates for your Diary

Thursday 21 October – Preloved Uniform Sale and Krispy Kremes!

Friday 22 October – PTA Non – Uniform Day please bring in £1

Thursday 4 November – School Disco 4.45 – 6pm

Keep your eye peeled for more info around the school!

To get involved please speak to your class rep or a committee member

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Snacks and lunchboxes

We have noticed that a number of snacks and lunchboxes are becoming filled with less-healthy options.



We ask that for breaktime, years 3,4,5,6 pupils should only bring a fruit or vegetable snack for morning break.

Likewise, we have seen the presence of sweets and large chocolate bars in lunchboxes. These are not foods that we would endorse for lunches, so please can parents keep lunch contents healthy and balanced.

Thank you for your cooperation with this and for remembering that we are a **nut-free** school.

Dropping off children at school crossing patrol

Please be mindful of letting your child out of the car to catch Shirley as she is about to stop the traffic. She has advised that children are starting to cross the road before the traffic has fully stopped which can cause an accident.



Parents evenings

We have selected the dates for our first parents evenings this year. They will be on Monday 8th



November and Wednesday 10th November both evenings 15:20-18:20. At this stage we are hoping to be able to meet in person, but obviously we are monitoring the high level of Covid cases within North Somerset and BANES currently which may change our plans. A link to book online will be sent out after the break but please put the dates in your diary.

Football News

Well done to all those that took part in the Chew Valley Tournament this week, both teams performed superbly and gave 100% commitment during some tough matches. Congratulations to the red and black team, who won all 4 games, scoring 10 goals and conceding none, to win the competition.....again!



After School Choir Club

Mrs. Atrill will be running an after school choir club on a Tuesday from 3-4pm starting on Tuesday 9th November.



The club is open for children from Years 3 – 6 and they can just turn up on the day. It will be held in the Year 4 classroom. The children will be practicing a variety of modern and classic songs – Christmas included!

Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><u>Lion</u></p> 	<p>Edith- for demonstrating a kind and caring attitude to all her friends in the class. Edith is very considerate of others and always looks to share, play nicely and include everyone. What a super friend!!</p> <p>Ivy- for always being ready to learn, listening well and for trying her very best in all activities. Ivy shows a great attitude to learning and is very keen to please. Keep up this hard work Ivy!</p> <p>Bodhi- for listening really well and asking some great questions when the Dentist came to visit us this week. Bodhi was very interested in what she had to say and wanted to find out lots more information.</p> <p>Lottie- for some great writing in phonics this week. Lottie always listens well and then really tries hard with her letter formation. We have seen some lovely work this week!</p>
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Leopard



Jack – You have been so meticulous with your writing this week, making sure you sound out your words and selecting good choices of graphemes. Because of this, you produced some lovely story writing about our literacy book ‘Cave Baby’. Super work, Jack!

Sienna, Elsie and Caleb – You have made a fantastic effort in your phonics this week by spelling out our words with the letter names instead of their sounds. This is so important in year 1 as it shows your very good understanding of the difference between phonemes and graphemes.

Emily L – You are always so smiley and so keen every single day. You listen beautifully, offer answers on the carpet and will make it your mission to complete every bit of work set. You did a particularly great piece of work in literacy this week asking questions about the moon. Your questions were very thoughtful and you demonstrated your clear understanding of when to use question marks. Super job, Emily!

Panther



Ezmee, you have shown such good progress in your writing this week. You wrote a super paragraph about wolves, using sentence openers and conjunctions to tell the reader more information and improve the quality of your writing. Your handwriting is improving each time you write and you are using your knowledge of sounds and tricky word to spell accurately. Well done and keep it up, Ezmee!

You have worked really hard this week Kai, and what really stood out was your superb mathematical thinking and the way you clearly explained it to us. In maths we have been using our previously learned facts to help us work out addition to 100.

Ezmee, Holly and Neve- I’m so impressed with the beautiful written letters that you all wrote to the wolf this week. Not only have you been very careful with your punctuation, you have also considered facts about wolves and the feelings that the wolf might have. We have read a variety of non-fiction and lots of fiction, where wolves have been portrayed in different ways, from unkind and bad, in The Three Little Pigs, to misunderstood, in The REAL Story of the Three Little Pigs’. You have all thought carefully about everything that we’ve learnt and put this into your letters. Well done!

Francey- for your interest, enthusiasm and contributions in Science. We have been learning about Animals and Living Things, and have focused on how to care for young animals this week. You made so many lovely contributions to our class discussion, showing your super knowledge of what a puppy needs. Thank you, and we’ll done!

Tiger



Darcey - for working so hard and showing great determination in all her lessons. Darcey is working hard to stay focused and has produced some fantastic work! Well done Darcey! Keep this up 😊

Mia B - for cooperating well in swimming and Mrs Cole was pleased with the determination she showed in the swimming lesson. Well done Mia!! Keep up the fab swimming!!

Charlie and Dylan - for great cooperation in maths. Charlie and Dylan have fantastic mathematical discussions and have worked incredibly hard, particularly this week in maths. Well done and keep it up! 😊

Henry - for showing great determination and a positive attitude towards his work. Henry has put 100% effort into his work particularly in his writing. Henry has produced a fantastic non-chronological report this week and focused hard on his presentation. Well done and keep this up! 😊

Jaguar



Harry has made a huge effort in literacy this week to improve his stamina and speed as a writer. He has concentrated really well and edited his work carefully and produced some writing he is really proud of. Great job, Harry!

Chloe put a lot of hard work and effort into her literacy this week. She focused well on her handwriting and she showed amazing concentration to produce a really lovely piece of writing describing a Frost Giant. Well done, Chloe!

Neve has been much more confident this week in class, she's been putting up her hand lots and making interesting and positive contributions to our class discussions or when answering questions. It's been really great to see Neve feeling so confident and I hope she can keep it up!

Molly has a really positive attitude to all her school work and her learning. This week though she's really impressed me with her work at home, including lots of reading and a fantastic effort on Times Table Rock Stars to keep her multiplication skills nice and sharp! Keep up the hard work Molly.

Lynx



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All of Year 5: For a really interesting re-telling of the story Robot Girl but changing the plot and central characters to create their own imaginative version.

Darcey C: For excellent positional play, drive and determination during our sports lesson on Tag-Rugby with Davis.

Reggie and Jessica: For impressing Mrs Page with their imaginative ideas, focus and cooperation during their art lesson on creating a harvest display.

Puma



Freddie, for working extremely hard and persevering in maths. He listened to advice when his answers for long multiplication needed some help, followed the strategy and succeeded brilliantly, moving rapidly back to the short method in no time.

Faith has found bits of maths quite tricky this week, but she has just cracked on and worked really hard. She is never afraid of asking for help when she's stuck and letting me know if she is still a little confused. She's a great friend to her classmates and a fabulous member of Puma class.

Eden wrote a terrific, detailed and sophisticated non-chronological report on the polar bear. She included information about why they are endangered, how they live and breed and produced a report which would be at home of the WWF website – it is so well written.

Laine-Rai has been making excellent progress in maths this week. She found dividing very tricky at first, but has persevered really well, using multiples to help her divide by two digit numbers. Well done!