

Newsletter 4

Dear Parents

As I write this, in school we are all thinking about Christmas already... I have already heard Christmas singing coming from classrooms and the PTA have confirmed that they will be selling the excellent real trees again this year at very competitive prices! Not only that, but you will soon hear about our forthcoming whole school theatre trip to watch the Pantomime at Weston Super Mare! This has become an annual event at Winford, and is heavily subsidised by the PTA to make it as affordable as possible. The whole school will be visiting the Playhouse at Weston-super-Mare on December 15th to watch the wonder of live performance of one of our country's most unique traditions, the Pantomime! More details will be out very soon.



Valley Arts Youth Theatre

Workshops

Valley Arts will be visiting Winford School in November to do some drama workshops with some of our classes. They are also excited for the final two weeks of their 7th Fringe Festival. The Valley Arts Fringe Festival runs up until Sunday 19th November and there is still plenty to see for families including **Ernie's Journey** this Saturday [Ernie's Journey - 4 Nov 23 - Valley Arts Centre](#) and **Star Seekers** on 11th November [The Star Seekers - 11 Nov 23 - Valley Arts Centre](#). There are also lots of free workshops including circus skills, beatboxing and improv skills, plus a full day workshop on Shakespeare with Harry Potter actor **Rohan Gotobed** [What's Up with Shakespeare? - 12 Nov 23 - Valley Arts Centre](#). Head to their [website](#) now for more info and to book tickets.



Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place in person on:

Dates	Year groups	Times
Monday 13 th November	5	15:30-18:20
Tues 14 th November	R,1,2,3,4,6	15:30-18:30
Thurs 16 th November	R,1,2,3,4,5,6	15:30-18:20

To book please follow the link to the School Cloud Parents Evening booking system. The link is <https://winford.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

For parents with children in Year 2, please either book an appointment on Tuesday with Ms Dolman or on Thursday with Mrs Hayward.

The email address you use to log in and the name of the child should match exactly with the details we have on the school database.

If parents have any difficulties accessing the system please contact the school office. The link is also available via the school website.

Junior Rugby at Nailsea and Backwell RFC

Training is on Sunday mornings between September and May and runs from 10.30am until 12.00pm. Rugby is available for boys and girls from Reception age until 18 years old. For new joiners, the first four weeks are free of charge – try before you buy! Come and join our great community club. For details contact juniorchair@nailseabackwellrfc.co.uk

UPCOMING DATES			
Event	Day	Date	Time
Year 3 and 4 Invasion Festival Chew Valley	Thursday	9 th Nov	12-1.15pm
Parent Consultations Year 5	Monday	13 th Nov	3.30-6.20pm
Parent Consultations	Tuesday	14 th Nov	3.30-6.30pm
Timestable Rockstar Day (Years 2-6)	Wednesday	15 th Nov	
Parent Consultations	Thursday	16 th Nov	3.30-6.30pm
Inset Day	Friday	17 th Nov	
PTA Non-school uniform day in exchange for tombola prizes	Friday	24 th Nov	
PTA School Christmas Fayre	Saturday	2 nd Dec	1-4pm
Year 5&6 Christmas Celebration Concert W-S-M	Wednesday	6 th Dec	1.45-6pm
Year 3&4 Christmas performance at School	Friday	8 th Dec	9:00
Year 1&2 Christmas performance in School	Tuesday	12 th Dec	9:00
Year 5&6 Christmas performance in Winford Church	Wednesday	13 th Dec	9:00 and 6:30 pm
Year Reception Christmas performance in School	Thursday	14 th Dec	9:00
Whole school Pantomime trip	Friday	15 th Dec	Within the school day



Open the book presented story number 4, Abraham, Genesis chapter 17 on 30th October.

God asked Abram to leave his land and go to a new country and promised if he did, he would do something special in Abram's life and give him a family.

Abram was 75 and his wife Sarai was 65. Abram trusted God so he left with his wife, nephews and animals and went to Canaan. God then told Abram he

would give this land to his wife and children and Abram built an altar to thank God. Many years passed but Sarai had no children. God appeared to Abram again and told him to look up to the night sky and that one day his children and grandchildren would follow number more than the stars. God then gave Abram a new name, Abraham – Father of many nations and Sarai a new name, Sarah – princess. Some messengers came to Abraham from God and told him by the end of the year Sarah would have a child. Sure enough Sarah did have a child and they called him Isaac which means laughter.

Celebration Assembly Certificates

<p><u>Lion Reception</u></p>	<p>Robin- for excellent work in phonics this week. Robin has tried so hard to learn all of the sounds we have covered so far in class and is now beginning to blend these together to read words! We have given Robin his first set of reading scheme books to carry on this great work at home! Well done Robin!</p> <p>Elsie- for being such a kind friend this week. Elsie is always considerate of others and makes sure everyone is included in her games. Elsie was also an excellent role model when we had a new member of our class visit us this week- she asked her to join in and play with her, it was so lovely to see! Keep up this great work Elsie!</p> <p>Joe- for trying so hard in phonics with his reading and writing this week. Joe always joins in and is reading simple words and sentences already! Keep up this good work Joe!</p> <p>Will- for having such a great week in Lion Class! Will has come back to school so keen to join in and have a go at everything, he's listening well and playing really nicely with his friends. It's really lovely to see!</p>
<p><u>Leopard Year 1</u></p>	<p>Ada - for working so hard and coming into school so enthusiastically. Ada is always showing determination and cooperation in all her work and even did some extra writing at home the</p>

	<p>other day. Ada has developed a really hardworking attitude which is so lovely to see! Keep this up!</p> <p>Moss and Henry - for such fantastic reading! Moss and Henry both work hard to read both their books three times a week and it is definitely paying off! Keep it up!</p> <p>Lonnie and Ada - for showing great determination and independence in maths this week. Both have worked hard to understand adding using a 'part-whole' model and worked on this independently. Well done to you both!</p>
<p><u>Panther</u> <u>Year 2</u></p>	<p>Theo - you have been absolutely brilliant at listening, following instructions and being really kind and helpful this week. Well... you are actually brilliant at all of these things all of the time. You are an absolute pleasure to have in the classroom. Thank you for always being lovely and always trying your best!</p> <p>Mia - You are really doing your best at always making sure you are ready to learn. You are listening carefully, sat beautifully and joining in respectfully. Thank you for being a great member of Panther Class and focusing really well on your learning.</p> <p>Billy - I was so impressed with your super imaginary writing all about The Polar Express. You were so focused and engrossed in the magic of the story that I don't even think you looked up from your book! You wrote with care, and really got into role, pretending you were the character about to board the train. I hope to see more writing like this Billy, well done.</p> <p>Ruby and Beau - You have both stood out to me this week in phonics because of your super effort. It has been a joy to see how enthusiastic you have both been, how you've used brilliant listening skills and how clearly you have both spoken. Well done for earning your phonics spirit Dojo points!</p>
<p><u>Tiger</u> <u>Year 3</u></p>	<p>Bobby, I am so super impressed with the effort you have put in this week. You have been actively joining in with our lessons, offering so many contributions. You particularly shine in science and history as you have been sharing lots of your knowledge with the class. Keep this up, Bobby!</p> <p>Walt, you have really impressed me this week in science. We have started a new topic on 'light' and you were so enthusiastic and very inquisitive. You asked thoughtful questions to extend you knowledge, as well as giving super contributions about light sources. Great job, Walt!</p>
<p><u>Jaguar</u> <u>Year 4</u></p>	<p>Fire. Fire always puts in 100% to his schoolwork, he's focussed, listens well, concentrates during independent work and always ensures his work is presented neatly. This week, Fire really impressed with his careful choice of adjectives during our character description in literacy, which helped bring the character to life.</p> <p>Francey has really impressed this week with an outstanding attitude to school and in particular his literacy work. Even though at times he found it challenging he's asked for help, listened and worked really hard to produce an excellent piece of writing full of adjectives and adverbs that he feels very proud of.</p>
<p><u>Lynx</u> <u>Year 5</u></p>	<p>Olly R- I have been so impressed with your focus and motivation this week Olly. You have produced some excellent noun phrases with superb adjectives and shown fantastic understanding of column addition and subtraction in maths. Thank you for working so hard and joining in our class discussions with enthusiasm- keep up the amazing work!</p> <p>Poppy- What has impressed the most this week Poppy, was your motivation and amazing teamwork skills in PE. It was a pleasure to watch your enthusiasm in the game that we played, your kindness to others and supportive nature to all of your team mates and the opposition! You should feel super proud of yourself Poppy!</p>

	<p>Olivia has been so kind and welcoming this week. I have been so impressed with how helpful, caring and thoughtful Olivia has been towards new members of our class, it has been a pleasure to witness! Well done Olivia! Keep up the kindness!</p> <p>Miles has shown such progress this week in his motivation and work ethic, I have been so impressed! You have shown what an excellent writer you are with our work on NASA and what an excellent mathematician you are with our learning on multiplication. Keep working hard Miles and show everyone how brilliant you are!</p>
<p><u>Puma</u> <u>Year 6</u></p>	<p>Harry & Fleur: These two children have been working incredibly hard to improve their maths independently this week. They have made fabulous progress and are now able to multiply a 4-digit number by a 2-digit number. They have stuck at it, even when it has seemed to be incredibly tricky and I am very proud of their progress. Keep practising and keep up the great work!</p> <p>Eve has shown a great attitude to learning this week. She has taken on feedback and used all lesson time wisely in order to meet the learning objective and complete tasks to the best of her ability. Her work represents a Year 6 standard that she should be very proud of. Keep it up Eve, always reach for your full potential!</p> <p>The whole of Puma class this week: This week we have carried out our first SAT mock tests in reading, maths, spelling and grammar. All of Puma class have taken this very seriously, showing their maturity and giving it their absolute best. I have been so impressed with the effort they have all put in and they have shown off all they have learnt. I am incredibly proud of every single child. Keep up the hard work Pumas and you will continue to shine!</p>