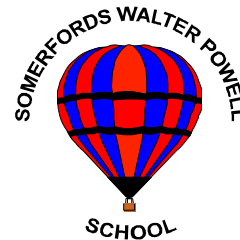


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3 March 2017



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BIRTHDAYS
Mrs Hancock



STAR OF THE WEEK
Sam W



RAINBOWS

Jack D x 2, Bertie, Charlie H x 2, Rosie,
Ruby S, Leo, Charlie W x 2, James H
Paige, Katie, Daisy, Rory



WRITERS OF THE WEEK
Sonny, Laurie, Nola



LOCAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Claire Kennedy
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1.



WORLD BOOK DAY

We all had fun on Thursday celebrating World Book Day. We had many fabulous entries into our competition 'Make a book character out of a potato'. The potatoes were judged independently and WHSmiths vouchers were awarded to Emme and Sonny (joint entry), Mary and Nola.

Please take a look at the school website for photographs of the competition entries.

School website address is: www.walterpowell.wilts.sch.uk

On Thursday afternoon the older children read to the younger children in the school and later in the day Mrs Hodson together with staff read a variety of stories to small groups of children. Also the children enjoyed 'Finding Wally' around the school all day (he kept moving which kept the detective children busy!) Last week the children were issued with two vouchers that entitles them to two free books at various bookshops between Monday 27th February and Sunday 26th March 2017.

2. SCHOOL OPEN DAY - THURSDAY 9th MARCH 2017

Please join us for our School Open Morning on **Thursday 9th March 2017 between 9.30am - 12.00 noon**. This is an opportunity for existing and potential new parents together with members of the community to view our school during a normal school morning.

We welcome you all to join us for a cup of coffee and to talk to Mrs Rowe, staff and members of the Local Board.

Thank you very much to Mr Laidlaw for putting up the school banners last weekend and to Mr Hourigan for securing them after Wednesday night's storm. Also many thanks to Mrs Whittaker, Mrs Fuller, Mrs Woodman and Ms Madeley for distributing the school open day flyers around Great Somerford and Little Somerford. Your support is very much appreciated.

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PRE-SCHOOL BINGO EVENING

The Pre-school committee have been very busy organising a fundraising bingo evening to be held in the school hall on Thursday 23rd March 2017 at 7.30pm. This should be a great fun evening with a bar and a raffle to raise additional funds. **Tickets are available from the school office if you would like to purchase them at just £8.00 each (which includes your entrance and your bingo games).**

3. TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - GROUP PHOTO'S

Don't forget to take extra care when getting ready for school **next Wednesday 8th March** as we have Tempest Photography coming in. These will be group photographs. Proofs will come home the same day with no obligation to purchase.

4. TEAM NEPTUNE

The children in Team Neptune who reached their planet at the end of last term have decided they would like to have a non-uniform day to celebrate their success. Therefore if your child is in Neptune please send them to school next Friday 10th March in non-uniform.



5. DRIVING AND PARKING IN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

For the safety of our children we would like to remind everyone that driving into the school grounds is strictly for staff and parents and grandparents who hold a valid disability badge.

Please park your cars on the Dauntsey Road and walk your children into the school grounds.

6. RED NOSE DAY - FRIDAY 24TH MARCH 2017

Our School Council would like us all to take part in Red Nose Day 2017 on Friday 24th March. They would like to ask all children to **wear something red to school** that day and we would suggest a £1.00 donation to the charity. **The School Council will also be selling cakes after school that day to help raise additional money for the charity.** They would of course be very grateful of any cake donation that morning and would encourage you to come along and purchase a cake after school. Thank you.

7. BROWNIE POP UP CRAFT STALL

Great Somerford Brownies are holding a 'Pop Up Craft Stall' on Wednesday 15th March between 5.45 - 6.45pm to help raise money to sponsor a guide dog for the blind.

If you are looking for that perfect Mother's Day, Easter gifts or just fancy popping in to enjoy the refreshments they would love to see you.

8. LIBRARY BUS

Next Thursday is Library bus day - please ensure that your child returns any books previously borrowed from the bus and if they would like to borrow some new books that they have their Library card with them.

9. BREAKFAST CLUB - W/C Monday 6th March 2017

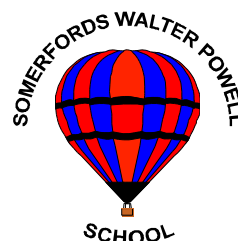
The booking forms for Breakfast Club can now be found on our school website for your convenience. Paper copies are available from the school office.

Based on replies received

Breakfast Club will be available each morning w/c Monday 6th March 2017

FOR THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BOOKED ONLY

Breakfast Club: - cash or cheques payable to Grassroots Sports Academy (Thursday FOC)



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10. **SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS**

It's the time of year again when you can start collecting the Active Kids vouchers when you shop at Sainsbury's. Please ask your friends, family and neighbours to collect the vouchers too and your child can post them into the special box in reception. You can receive vouchers in Sainsbury's between 25th January and 30th June 2017 and dependent on how many vouchers we collect we will be able to buy some more sporting or cookery equipment for our school.

11. **MRS ROWE**

If you would like to contact Mrs Rowe please do so via her email address, or the school office:
head@walterpowell.wilts.sch.uk, Tel: 01249 720797

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - new entries for your diaries in bold * = more details to follow

SPRING TERM - Term 4

Wed 8 th Mar	Tempest Photography - Group Photo's
Thurs 9 th Mar	SWP Open Day - 9.30 - 12noon
Thurs 9 th Mar	Mobile Library Visit
Thurs 16 th Mar	Years 3/4 Football Festival
Mon 20 th Mar	Years 3,4,5,6 Cross Country Festival *
Thurs 23 rd Mar	Pre-school Bingo Evening
Fri 24 th Mar	Red Nose Day 2017
Fri 24 th Mar	Red Nose Day Cake Sale
Sat 25 th Mar	Christian Malford Scarecrow Trail
Sun 26 th Mar	Christian Malford Scarecrow Trail
Mon 27 th Mar	Bikeability - Year 6 only (all day)
Tue 28 th Mar	Bikeability - Year 6 only (am)
Wed 29 th Mar	Bikeability - Year 6 only (all day)
Tue 4 th April	Last Gymnastics Club - Term 4
Wed 5 th April	Last Football Club - Term 4
Thurs 6 th April	Last Tag Rugby Club - Term 4
Fri 7 th April	Last Multi sports - Term 4
Fri 7 th April	School reports will be sent home
Fri 7 th April	Easter Church Service 1.30pm *
Fri 7 th April	Last Day of School - Term 4

SUMMER TERM - Term 5

Mon 24 th April	First Day of School - Term 5
Mon 24 th April	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Tue 25 th April	Parents Evening *
Mon 1 st May	Bank Holiday
Mon 8 th May	SATs Week - Year 6 only
Sat 12 th May	Seagry Small Schools Tournament *
Mon 15 th May	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Mon 22 nd May	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Fri 26 th May	Last Day of School - Term 5

SUMMER TERM - Term 6

Mon 5 th June	TD Day
Tue 6 th June	First Day of School - Term 6
Fri 9 th June	Great Somerford Church Fete - 6.30pm*
Mon 12 th June	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Mon 19 th June	Year 5 / 6 Depart Residential*
Fri 23 rd June	Year 5 / 6 Return Residential*
Mon 26 th June	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Wed 28 th June	Junior Good Citizen Day - Year 6 only*
Fri 30 th June	Year 3 / 4 Activity Day*
Mon 3 rd July	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Tue 4 th July	Induction Day - Malmesbury School - Year 6 only*
Wed 5 th July	Induction Day - Malmesbury School - Year 6 only*
Mon 10 th July	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Mon 17 th July	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Fri 21 st July	Last day of School - Term 6

2016/2017 TEACHER DEVELOPMENT DAYS

~~Thursday 1st September 2016, Friday 2nd September 2016, Monday 31st October 2016
Tuesday 3rd January 2017, Monday 20th February 2017, Monday 5th June 2017~~

2017/2018 TRAINING DEVELOPMENT DAYS

Friday 1st September 2017

ITEMS IN BOOK BAGS THIS WEEK

- 1) Hill House Residential - Year 5 / 6 only (sent home on Wednesday)
- 2) Cross Country Festival - Key stage 2 only (sent home on Wednesday)
- 3) Year 3 / 4 Football Festival final letter - Football team only

HOME CONTACT MESSAGES SENT THIS WEEK

- 1) Open Day flyers