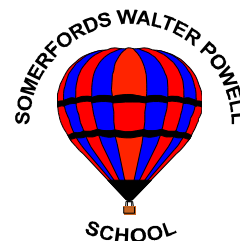


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17 March 2017



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BIRTHDAYS

Jack F



STAR OF THE WEEK

Rosie



RAINBOWS

Amelia, Emme, Bertie, Oscar, Sonny
Hugo, Bobby, Charlie W, Jack N
Thomas L, Dylan, Daisy, Reuben



WRITERS OF THE WEEK

Jack N, Leo, Charlie H



LOCAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Claire Kennedy

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1. PARENTS EVENING - TUESDAY 25th APRIL 2017 - NEW BOOKING SYSTEM

As previously informed, our Parents Evening will be held on Tuesday 25th April 2017. We have decided to implement a new procedure in booking your appointments to meet with your child's class teacher. On Monday 20th March an appointment schedule for each class teacher will be placed in an orange folder in the school reception area for you to complete the time you would like to attend. We would like to highlight that if you are due to see more than one teacher please ensure you leave 20 minutes between these appointments which will allow for any late appointments. Please write your child's name in the appointment slot.

If you are unable to book your appointment in person, please telephone the school office from 9.00am that day and we will book your appointment for you. School Office telephone number is 01249 720797.

3. PRE-SCHOOL BINGO EVENING

The Pre-school committee have been very busy organising a fundraising bingo evening to be held in the school hall **next 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).**

4. TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - GROUP PHOTO'S

In book bags today you will find the proof of the photograph your child had taken last week of their Key stage class. If you would like to order a photograph, please complete the booking form and return to the school office with the required payment **before 9.00am on Friday 31st March 2017.**

6. YEAR 3 / 4 FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

Yesterday afternoon 12 children from Years 3 / 4 took part in a Football Festival in Malmesbury. They competed in 4 games against local schools. They all played with great enthusiasm, good sportsmanship and represented the school very well indeed. Miss Hawker said "they made her feel very proud". Mr Badman awarded a trophy (donated by Mr Neville last year) to Stanley for a 'great effort' on the field during the festival. Well done to all of you.

We would like to thank Mr Badman for kindly coaching the team and to all the parents for their assistance in transporting the children to and from the festival, also a huge thanks to Miss Hawker for her cheer leading and support!!



7. RED NOSE DAY - FRIDAY 24TH MARCH 2017

Next Friday 24th March the school council would like us to take part in Red Nose Day 2017. 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.

8. THANK YOU

We would like to thank Mr Laidlaw for his kind assistance in putting up the new swings on the climbing frame this week and Mr Law for putting up the new football goals on the playing field. The children can now look forward to using this equipment during the summer term.

9. CROSS COUNTRY FESTIVAL

Next Monday afternoon children 18 children from Key stage 2 will be representing the school in the annual Cross Country Festival at Malmesbury Secondary School. We wish you all the very best at the event and look forward to sharing their success with you next week.

10. BREAKFAST CLUB - W/C Monday 20th 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 20th March 2017

FOR THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BOOKED ONLY

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



11. 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.

12. MALMESBURY LIBRARY EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

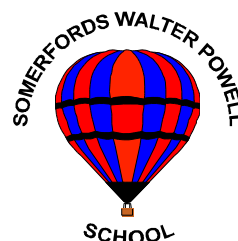
We have been informed of the following events at Malmesbury Library during the Easter holidays:

The Big Chocolate Quiz - Saturday 8th - 22nd April - Hidden in the children's library there are 12 chocolate questions. Find them all and answer the questions for the chance to win a chocolate prize.

Spring into your library - Wednesday 12th April 10.30 - 11.30am - Join the library for seasonal stories and craft activities. Places are limited for this event therefore please book early. Event is FREE and suitable for under 7's.

World of David Walliams - Tuesday 18th April 2.00 - 3.00pm - From Gangsta Granny to the Demon Dentist; join the library and be one of the World's Worst (or Best) Children at their David Walliams themed activity. Places are limited for this event therefore please book early. Event is FREE and suitable for 7 years and over.

For more information and to book your child onto a session please call **01666 823611**.



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13. GRASSROOTS CLUBS

In book bags today you will receive two forms from Grassroots:

- Easter holiday club booking form
- Terms 5/6 afterschool club booking form

If you would like your child to attend the holiday club or book them onto an afterschool club for Term 5/6, please return the booking form together with the full amount to the school office before Friday 31st March.

14. MONTHLY EVENTS AT MALMESBURY LIBRARY - 'ONCE UPON A SATURDAY'

Malmesbury Library will be holding events on specific Saturdays "Once upon a Saturday" - the first event is Saturday 1st April 10.30am. Further information on all the library events are in your child's book bag today.

15. 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

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
Sat/Sun 21 st May	Walter Powell Balloon Flight - Malmesbury*
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. Grassroots Easter holiday club booking form
2. Grassroots afterschool club booking form - Terms 5 / 6
3. The Camp Ester holiday booking form
4. Tempest group Photographs and order form
5. Malmesbury Library flyer

HOME CONTACT MESSAGES SENT THIS WEEK

1. Football festival reminder
2. Help required
3. Help no longer required