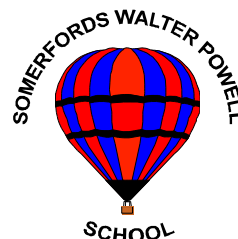


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24 March 2017



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RAINBOWS

Mia, Amelia, Sam M
Jack F, Jack D, Sienna, Emme
Ruby H, Riley, Rosie
Charlie W, Maxwell, Arwen
Laurie, Tanwen
Jack N, Ashleigh



BIRTHDAYS

Ella-Rose, Ashleigh
Reuben, Rory



STAR OF THE WEEK

Leo



WRITERS OF THE WEEK

Liam, Charlie, Ruby 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. Since Monday 20th March an appointment schedule for each class teacher has been 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. **Please note that all bookings are required before next Friday 31st March at 9.00am.**

2. TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - GROUP PHOTO'S

In book bags last week we sent home 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.** **If you would like to see the photograph in a larger print - please visit your child's classroom.**



3. RED NOSE DAY - THANK YOU

Today was a colourful day at school with children wearing something red to school and a variety of red nose characters balanced on noses! They have raised **£80.20** from the donations this morning and a sweepstake game. We will report on how much additional money was raised from this afternoon's cake sale next week. Please take a look at the school website for a group photo! www.walterpowell.wilts.sch.uk

4. CROSS COUNTRY FESTIVAL

On Monday afternoon 17 children from Key stage 2 attended a Cross Country Festival at Malmesbury School.

After the heavy rainfall over night and earlier that day, the ground was suitably soggy for cross country conditions! All the children competed with great enthusiasm and tried their very best during the event. They should all be very proud. We would like to congratulate Arwen from Year 4 on finishing 2nd place overall for the Year 3/4 girls category and to the Year 5/6 boys team who were placed second overall. We would like to thank all the parents for their assistance in transporting the children to and from the festival, without your support these events would be very difficult to attend.

5. GRASSROOTS CLUBS

In book bags last week you will have received 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. Thank you.

6. YEAR 6 CHILDREN INTERVIEW MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL BOARD

On Wednesday afternoon Rory and Daisy together with children from Seagry and Christian Malford interviewed members of the local board. All the children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and a complete report will be published in the next LB Update.

7. BIKEABILITY - YEAR 6 ONLY

We would like to wish all our Year 6 children the best of luck next week when they take part in Bikeability, this teaches the children to cycle with care and attention while on the road.

8. SNAILS NEED A HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Ben and Jack, our Giant African Land Snails are looking for a home over the Easter holiday. They are usually very well behaved and just need their tank spraying daily and some fresh cucumber or lettuce leaves to nibble on! If you would like to take care of Ben or Jack please contact the school office as soon as possible to make arrangements. Thank you.

9. CHRISTIAN MALFORD SCARECROW TRAIL

This weekend is the Christian Malford Scarecrow Trail - this year's theme is 'Children's Toys and Games through the ages'. The trail runs on Saturday and Sunday between 10.00am - 5.00pm and is only £3.00 for a trail sheet. This year Somerfords' Walter Powell have entered a Scarecrow - I wonder if you can guess what game it represents. Again this will be on the school website for you to take a look! The scarecrow trail is always a lot of fun to complete with the family!

10. BREAKFAST CLUB - W/C Monday 27th March 2017

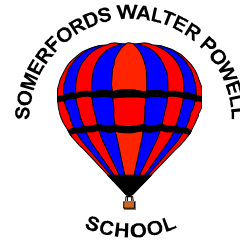
The booking forms for Breakfast Club can now be found on our school website for your convenience. Paper copies are available from the school office.

Based on replies received

Breakfast Club will be available each morning w/c Monday 27th 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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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. HEALTHY SNACKS ONLY

We would like to remind all parents / children that we are very proud to have received our 'Healthy School' status and we encourage you to only send a healthy snack for your child to enjoy during morning break. We would suggest a piece of fruit, raisins, a cereal bar or other dried fruit. Sometimes children help themselves to something from their lunchboxes for morning snack; please can you identify to your children what is to be eaten at snack time and lunch time.

13. 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**.

14. 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

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. Red Nose Day Activity Sheet

HOME CONTACT MESSAGES SENT THIS WEEK

1. Red Nose Day Cake Sale