

SOMERFORDS' WALTER POWELL

NEWSLETTER - NO 28

28th April 2017

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RAINBOWS



BIRTHDAYS



No birthdays this week



Mia , Charlie H, Oscar,
Riley, Rebecca
Tanwen, Paige, Isla x 2
Dylan, Andrew



STAR OF THE WEEK



Ashleigh Fuller



WRITERS OF THE WEEK

Millie, Esme, Sienna



LOCAL BOARD MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Julia Harle

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1. GRASSROOTS CLUBS

All after school clubs start next week, if you have not yet completed your child's booking form and payment please do so before the club commences.

2. WALTER POWELL BALLOON FLIGHT

On Sunday 21st May The Athleston Museum are planning to launch a Hot Air Balloon from the Cross Hayes car park in Malmesbury like Walter Powell M.P did all those years ago. The museum has set up a website for the event: www.malmesburyeclipseflight.co.uk
A flyer is being sent home in book bags today with further information.



3. CHIPPENHAM FOLK FESTIVAL BADGE COMPETITION - KS2 ONLY

On Friday 26th May our children in Key stage 2 will be attending the Chippenham Folk Festival School Day. As in previous years they run a competition for school children to design a badge for the school day event. In your child's book bag on Thursday we sent home the template for your child to design their entry into this year's Chippenham Folk Festival School Day Badge Competition. Please encourage your child to design a badge and enter this competition. Return their entry to the school office before 9.00am next Wednesday 3rd May 2017.

4. THANK YOU



Thank you very much to Ashleigh, Jack F and Nola for taking good care of Jack and Ben our School Giant African Snails over the Easter holiday; they seem to have had another growth spurt! If you would like to take care of a snail over the half term break at the end of May please inform the school office.

5. WALTER POWELL PRE-SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT

The Walter Powell Pre-school would like to thank everyone who took part in this year's egg hunt around the village, as always it was a great trail with some eggs just a little bit trickier to hunt down than others! They are delighted to announce that they raised £106.00 for the Pre-school.

The lucky winners are as follows:

FIRST PLACE - Millie

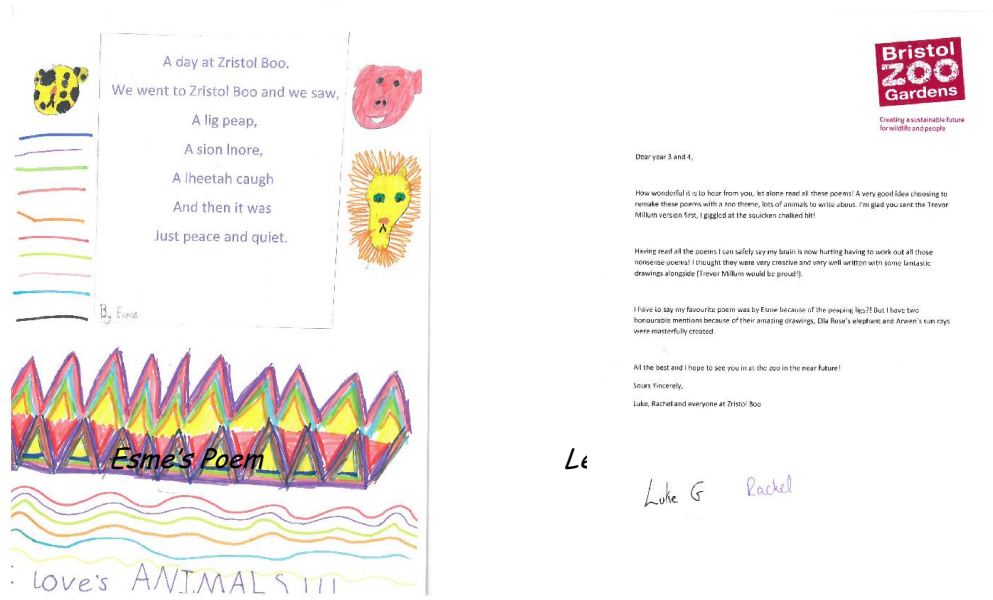
SECOND PLACES - Tanwen, Sam W, Charlie H, Arwen, Maxwell, Sonny and Emme

THIRD PLACES - Reuben, Laurie and Sienna

Many Congratulations to you all, we hope you enjoy your chocolate prizes!

6. YEAR 3 / 4 POETRY

The children in Mrs McQueen's class were studying poetry last term and for fun they wrote some 'nonsense poems' about animals at Bristol Zoo. As they were so good Mrs McQueen and Mrs Moody decided that they should send them to the staff at Bristol Zoo to enjoy. During the Easter holidays we received a letter back from Bristol Zoo thanking the Year 3 / 4 children for their fabulous creative poems and made a special reference to Esme's poem which they enjoyed the most.



Esme's Poem

Bristol Zoo Letter

Congratulations to you all for all your hard work, it's great to have recognition!

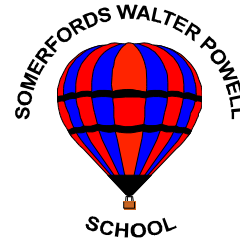
7. RAGS 2 RICHES

Some advance notice that the next Rags 2 Riches collection will be on **Thursday 29th June**. So, if you are planning a Spring clear out over the coming weeks please be mindful that your unwanted clothing, shoes (in pairs & tied), jewellery, glasses, umbrellas, new underwear, belts, hats, scarves, gloves, bags, wallets bedding & household linen, bath and hand towels could help raise money for the school. The children will be bringing home charity bags nearer the time. Please do not bring donations in before the 29th June as we have nowhere to store them in school.

8. THANK YOU - OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

On Wednesday we received a telephone call from Operation Christmas Child to thank the children at Somerfords' Walter Powell for their contribution of shoe boxes to last year's Operation Christmas Child Appeal. They delivered 12 million shoe boxes over the world in 2016/2017.

Well done to all of you who filled a shoe box and made a difference to another child.



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A QUICK REMINDER OF THE FOLLOWING:

9. FIDGET SPINNERS

We would like to remind you that the Fidget Spinner toys are not to be used in school at any time. Please allow your children to enjoy these at home.

10. ORIENTEERING FESTIVAL - YEARS 1, 2, 3 & 4

As previously notified next Wednesday afternoon our children in Years 1,2,3 & 4 are taking part in an Orienteering Festival at Malmesbury School. The children will travel by coach to and from the event, and will return to school before 3.05pm. Please ensure your child has a drink and a snack together with tracksuit bottoms, suitable footwear, sun hat and raincoat as appropriate.

11. SWIMMING LESSONS

Just to remind you that there are no swimming lessons for Years 5/6 on Monday 1st May (Bank holiday) and Monday 8th May (SATs week).

12. HILL HOUSE RESIDENTIAL

A quick reminder that any outstanding balances need to be paid in full by **Friday 12th May**. Cheques should be made payable to Seagry CE Primary School - DBAT. If you would like to pay by BACs please use Account No: 61740950 Sort Code: 600824 and include your child's initials and Hill House against your payment. Thank you to those who have already paid.

13. BREAKFAST CLUB - W/C Monday 1st May 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 1st May 2017

FOR THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BOOKED ONLY

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



14. SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

We are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Please ask your friends, family and neighbours to collect the vouchers and your child can post them into the special box in reception. You can receive vouchers until 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.

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

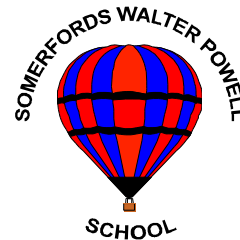
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - new entries for your diaries in bold * = more details to follow

SUMMER TERM - Term 5

Mon 1 st May	Bank Holiday
Tue 2 nd May	First Gymnastics Club - Term 5
Wed 3 rd May	Orienteering Festival - Years 1,2,3 and 4 only
Wed 3 rd May	First Football Club - Term 5
Thurs 4 th May	First Karate Club - Term 5
Friday 5 th May	First Summer Sports Club - Term 5
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
Fri 19 th May	Last Guitar Tuition - Term 5
Sun 21 st May	Walter Powell Balloon Flight - Malmesbury*
Mon 22 nd May	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Tue 23 rd May	Last Drumming Tuition - Term 5
Tue 23 rd May	Last Gymnastics Club - Term 5
Wed 24 th May	Last Football Club - Term 5
Thurs 25 th May	Last Piano Tuition - Term 5
Thurs 25 th May	Last Karate Club - Term 5
Fri 26 th May	No Guitar Tuition today
Fri 26 th May	Last Summer Sports Club - Term 5
Fri 26 th May	Chippenham Folk Festival Schools Day - Key stage 2 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
Tue 6 th June	First Drumming Tuition - Term 6
Tue 6 th June	First Gymnastics Club - Term 6
Wed 7 th June	First Football Club - Term 6
Thurs 8 th June	First Piano Tuition - Term 6
Thurs 8 th June	First Karate Club - Term 6
Fri 9 th June	First Guitar Tuition - Term 6
Fri 9 th June	First Summer Sports - 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*
Thurs 29 th June	Rags 2 Riches Collection
Fri 30 th June	Year 3 /4 Activity Day*
Mon 3rd July	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Tue 4 th July	Induction Day - Malmesbury School - Year 6 only*



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Wed 5 th July	Induction Day - Malmesbury School - Year 6 only*
Mon 10 th July	Swimming Lesson - Year 5 / 6 only
Tue 11 th July	Last Drumming Tuition - Term 6
Tue 11 th July	Last Gymnastics Club - Term 6
Wed 12 th July	Last Football Club - Term 6
Thurs 13 th July	Last Piano Tuition - Term 6
Thurs 13 th July	Last Karate Club - Term 6
Fri 14 th July	Last Guitar Tuition - Term 6
Fri 14 th July	Last Summer Sports Club - Term 6
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) The Signpost (Children out of distribution area)
- 2) The Eclipse Flight
- 3) Chippenham Folk Festival School Day Badge Competition - Key stage 2 only
- 4) Tempest Photographs (if you placed an order)

HOME CONTACT MESSAGES SENT THIS WEEK

- 1) Malmesbury School Taster Day - Year 5 only